

# Brandon Presbyterian Church

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## Morning Worship

The Lord’s Day, October 11, 2020

*During the prelude, please prepare your heart to worship our gracious, Almighty God together.*

### Meditation

JOHN 12:31

Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out.

### Prelude

“Day by Day”

AHNFELT/FETTKE

Jacquelyn Thornell, Organist

### Welcome & Announcements

### Call to Worship \*

PSALM 103:1-5

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and all that is within me,  
bless his holy name!

People: **Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and forget not all his benefits,**

Leader: Who forgives all your iniquity,  
who heals all your diseases,

People: **Who redeems your life from the pit,  
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

Leader: who satisfies you with good  
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.

People: **Bless the LORD, O my soul,**

and all that is within me,  
bless his holy name!

### Hymn of Praise \*

N<sup>o</sup>. 53

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

**1** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear,  
Now to his temple draw near,  
Join me in glad adoration.

**2** Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen  
How thy desires e'er have been  
Granted in what he ordaineth?

**3** Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!  
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;  
Ponder anew  
What the Almighty will do,  
If with his love he befriend thee!

**4** Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,  
Decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.  
How oft in grief  
Hath not he brought thee relief,  
Spreading his wings to o'ershade thee!

**5** Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!  
Let the Amen  
Sound from his people again;  
Gladly fore'er we adore him.

### Invocation \*

### Sacrament of Baptism

Carter Lee Stevens

New Testament Reading

TITUS 2:4-8

<sup>4</sup>But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, <sup>5</sup> he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, <sup>6</sup> whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, <sup>7</sup> so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. <sup>8</sup> The saying is trustworthy, and I want you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to devote themselves to good works. These things are excellent and profitable for people.

Pastoral Prayer

Special Music

SOLO

Jackie Thompson

Reading of Holy Scripture

EPHESIANS 6:10-12 (NIV)

<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. <sup>11</sup> Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. <sup>12</sup> For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

Sermon

DR. JOHN K. DAWSON

“This Means War”

Hymn of Response \*

N<sup>o</sup>. 575

“Soldiers of Christ, Arise”

**1** Soldiers of Christ, arise,  
And put your armor on,  
Strong in the strength which God supplies  
Through his Eternal Son.  
Strong in the Lord of Hosts,  
And in his mighty pow'r,  
Who in the strength of Jesus trusts

Is more than conqueror.

**2** Stand then in his great might,  
With all his strength endued;  
But take, to arm you for the fight,  
The panoply of God.  
Leave no unguarded place,  
No weakness of the soul;  
Take ev'ry virtue, ev'ry grace,  
And fortify the whole.

**3** To keep your armor bright,  
Attend with constant care;  
Still walking in your Captain's sight,  
And watching unto prayer.  
From strength to strength go on;  
Wrestle and fight and pray;  
Tread all the pow'rs of darkness down,  
And win the well-fought day.

Gloria Patri \*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. *Amen, amen.*

Benediction

\* Congregation Standing



ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10:00): October 4	71
Live Views	22
Total Online Views	32
Children’s Sunday School	14
Last Week’s Offering:	\$ 10,127.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$ 7,194.00
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$ 252,977.00
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving	\$ 287,760.00 (-\$34,783)

## Sermon Notes

Ephesians 6:10-12  
"This Means War"

I. Wake Up

II. Stand Up

III. Power Up

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday School and Nursery:** We plan to resume Sunday School for all ages and nursery on Nov 1<sup>st</sup>. Sunday School will be at 9:00 AM and worship at 10:00 AM. Nursery will be available during both Sunday School and Worship.

### Adult Sunday School

November: Meet in the Sanctuary.

Nov. 1 (Reformation Sunday): John Dawson will be teaching on a Reformation theme.

Beginning Nov. 8: The adults will be studying the Bible's Wisdom literature using a book by O. Palmer Robertson entitled, *The Christ of Wisdom: A Redemptive-Historical Exploration of the Wisdom Books of the Old Testament*. This class will be team taught by S. Dickey, J. Neill, W. Herrington, D. Tolar, A. Dupree, and J. Dawson.

### First - Sixth Grade

November: Meet in the Fellowship Hall.

December: Split up by age groups. More details will be provided soon.

**Wedding Invitation:** All are invited to Sarah Carpenter's wedding on Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM at Hewlett Barn, 109 Woodside Dr, Starkville, MS 39759. Please visit [THEKNOT.COM/US/THADANDSARAH](http://THEKNOT.COM/US/THADANDSARAH) to RSVP and find travel accommodations.



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IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Month:** Carl & Becky Chaplin (Chattanooga, TN)
- **Ministry of the Month:** Reformed Theological Seminary
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Jim Neill and Nate Inman
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Jonathan Dickey
- **College Student of the Week:** Will Tolar
- God would bless us with new conversions, visitors, families, & members.

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*Weddings and Babies:*

- **Terry and Jackson Pullen:** baby Rad was born Sept 21<sup>st</sup>, 7lbs, 3ozs, 19in.
- **Katlyn and Joel Huddleston:** expecting a baby boy in October.
- **Sarah Carpenter and Thad Moody:** to be married on October 17<sup>th</sup>.
- **John Stowers and Anna Kate Carter:** to be married on Nov 14<sup>th</sup>.

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- **Ken Bramlett:** heart valve replaced on Sept 24<sup>th</sup>; doing well; Thank you to everyone for your prayers!
  - **Bill Glover:** Parkinson's, may have Shy-Drager syndrome as well; wide swings in blood pressure of late and other problems which stem from Parkinson's; discouraged that he is not making more progress; had to cut back on medication for Parkinson's due to adverse reactions.
  - **Daisy Lucas** (Kathy & Jim Smith's niece): chronic liver disease; returned to Ochsner's Clinic Sept 18<sup>th</sup> for a follow-up with her specialist; has been on extremely high doses of steroids, which have kept her feeling bad; improved enough to decrease her steroid dosage; She is very grateful for every improvement!
  - **Bob Booth:** trip to Mayo Clinic revealed that he has ALS.
  - **Buford Nicholson:** fell off ladder, has 3 broken ribs, in a lot of pain.
  - **Hurricane Victims:** Please remember those affected by Hurricane Laura. Places like Lake Charles were devastated.
  - **Jerry Moore:** having additional tests and treatment for the pain.
  - **Lois Carman:** severe back pain from scoliosis.

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*Loved ones battling cancer:*

- **Kelly Langford** (Jacquelyn Thornell's Daughter): 3 spots of melanoma have been found in her brain; receiving radiation treatments at MD Anderson; started 10 radiation treatments; hoping to prevent paralysis; doctors were surprised at the rapid spread of the cancer.

- **Will Glover** (Marsha & Bill Glover's Son): cancer has reappeared on the brain stem; had a consultation with the Palliative Care director at UAB, started a regimen of meds and therapies; avastin infusions are to continue, hopefully at UMMC; waiting for appointment with eye specialist in this area; continues to stay with Marsha and Bill due to extreme fatigue, nausea and vomiting and help for day to day tasks.
- **Andrew Gerrard** (Jo Stanford's Nephew): Desmoplastic round cell tumor; encouraging possibilities discovered at Sloan Kettering; please pray for shrinkage of the large amount of cancer covering his entire abdomen/intestines, for the ability to remove the large amounts of fluid that build up in the abdomen, for his ability to stay well and hydrated.
- **Gib Vredeveld** (Julie Rogers' Father): esophageal cancer; tumor is growing again; still able to eat with little difficulty; sees the oncologist in January; most days he's doing well.
- **Sarah Parks Martin** (relative of Bob and Carol Booth & PCA pastor's wife): breast cancer.
- **Anna Taylor** (wife of Jim Taylor, Pastor of The Pointe): cancer in her back; back at work; continuing chemo.
- **Andrew McCall** (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): acute leukemia; reached 2 year anniversary of bone marrow transplant.
- **Jim Smith:** pancreatic cancer; June 25<sup>th</sup> scan was clear; Praise God!
- **Steven Bell** (Tiffany Glover's brother): liver/colon cancer; doing well.
- **Robin Marbury Morris** (Jeanne Monsour's Niece): liver & colon cancer; continuing chemo biweekly.
- **Presbyterian pastors in MS fighting cancer:** Alan Stanton, Pinehaven in Clinton (brain tumor); Richard Owens, Westminster Pres, Greenwood (brain tumor); Jerry Long, Batesville Pres (kidney cancer).
- **Terry McGinty** (Kerri Matthews' Uncle): prostate cancer.

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- **Service members:** Glenn Stewart (S. Korea; Sam Heath's nephew); Isaac Jay (Army, Fort Polk; Elton & Sonia Jay's grandson); Jesse Thomas Dickey; Matthew Hellier (Japan); S.T. Heath; Joey Brown (Barbara Fowler's nephew)

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- **Nursing home residents & shut-ins:** Dr. John Adams, Martha Baker, Joe Berryhill, Ken Bramlett, Evelyn Culpepper, Elsa Davis, Bob & Jody Nelson, Laverne Parks, Laverne Roberts