

# Brandon Presbyterian Church

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## Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, November 1, 2020

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

### Meditation

GALATIANS 5:1

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

### Prelude

"How Firm a Foundation"

Zoe Brumfield, Bagpipe

### Welcome & Announcements

### Call to Worship \*

PSALM 46

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**People: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,  
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,**

Leader: Though its waters roar and foam,  
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

**People: "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the  
nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"**

Leader: The LORD of hosts is with us;

**People: The God of Jacob is our fortress.**

### Hymn of Praise \*

N<sup>o</sup>. 92

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

**1** A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

**2** Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing. Doth ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he; Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

**3** And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us. The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

**4** That Word above all earthly pow'rs no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever!

### Invocation \*

### Hymn of Praise \*

N<sup>o</sup>. 318

"Lo! He comes with Clouds Descending"

**1** Lo! he comes with clouds descending, once for favored sinners slain; thousand, thousand saints attending swell the triumph of his train. Alleluia! Alleluia! God appears on earth to reign.

**2** Ev'ry eye shall now behold him, robed in dreadful majesty; those who set at naught and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the tree, deeply wailing, deeply wailing, shall the true Messiah see.

**3** Ev'ry island, sea, and mountain, heav'n and earth, shall flee away; all who hate him must, confounded, hear the trump proclaim the day: Come to judgment! Come to judgment! Come to judgment, come away!

**4** Now Redemption, long expected, see in solemn pomp appear! All his saints, by man rejected, now shall meet him in the air. Alleluia! Alleluia! See the day of God appear!

**5** Yea, amen! let all adore thee, high on thine eternal throne;

Savior, take the pow'r and glory, claim the kingdom for thine own.  
O come quickly, O come quickly; alleluia! come, Lord, come.

### Confession of Sin

JOHN CALVIN

Almighty God, since You delay with so much forbearance the punishments which we have deserved and daily draw on ourselves, grant that we may not indulge ourselves but carefully consider how often and in how many different ways we have provoked your wrath against us. May we learn humbly to present ourselves to you for pardon, and with true repentance plead your mercy. With all our heart we desire to submit ourselves to You, whether you discipline us, or according to Your infinite goodness, forgive us. Let our condition be ever blessed, not by flattering ourselves in our apathy, but by finding You to be our kind and bountiful Father, reconciled to us in your only-begotten Son. *Amen.*

### Assurance of Pardon

PSALM 103

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness. He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.

### Pastoral Prayer

### Special Music

ZOE BRUMFIELD, BAGPIPE

“Amazing Grace”

### Dismiss Children For Children’s Church (3 & 4 year olds)

### Reading of Holy Scripture

COLOSSIANS 2:16-23 (NIV)

<sup>16</sup> Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day.

<sup>17</sup> These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ. <sup>18</sup> Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels disqualify you. Such a person also goes

into great detail about what they have seen; they are puffed up with idle notions by their unspiritual mind. <sup>19</sup> They have lost connection with the head, from whom the whole body, supported and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows as God causes it to grow.

<sup>20</sup> Since you died with Christ to the elemental spiritual forces of this world, why, as though you still belonged to the world, do you submit to its rules:

<sup>21</sup> “Do not handle! Do not taste! Do not touch!”? <sup>22</sup> These rules, which have to do with things that are all destined to perish with use, are based on merely human commands and teachings. <sup>23</sup> Such regulations indeed have an appearance of wisdom, with their self-imposed worship, their false humility and their harsh treatment of the body, but they lack any value in restraining sensual indulgence.

### Sermon

REV. PHILLIP PALMERTREE

“Don’t Get Bullied! Don’t Get Cheated!”

### Hymn of Response \*

STUART TOWNEND & KEITH GETTY

“In Christ Alone”

**1** In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My Comforter, my All in All,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

**2** In Christ alone! – who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save:  
Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied –  
For every sin on Him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

**3** There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory Sin’s curse has lost its grip on me,  
For I am His and He is mine – Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

**4** No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life’s first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand:  
Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I’ll stand.

Offertory Prayer

Doxology \*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

Benediction

\* Congregation Standing

### Sermon Notes

Colossians 2:16-23

“Don’t Get Bullied! Don’t Get Cheated!”

1. Don’t stare at the shadows of Jesus.
2. Don’t try to be more spiritual than Jesus.
3. Don’t pull away from Jesus.
4. Don’t live as though you didn’t die with Jesus.
5. Don’t bring a water pistol to a forest fire.

**Phillip Palmertree** has served as senior minister at FPC Kosciusko since December 2005. Phillip has served churches in Macon, MS (1999-2005) and Auburn, AL (1994-1999). He is a native of Jackson, MS and a graduate of Mississippi State University and Reformed Theological Seminary. He and his wife Judy have four children: Nelson, Ruth Anne, Campbell and Rachel.

### Adult Sunday School

November: Meet in the Sanctuary.

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.

### Youth

The Youth will meet in the upstairs Sunday School rooms during the Sunday School hour starting in November.

### First - Sixth Grade

November: Meet in the Fellowship Hall.

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

### ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10:00):	October 25	64
Live Views		17
Total Online Views		27
Children’s Sunday School		16
Last Week’s Offering:		\$ 3,376.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:		\$ 7,194.00
Year-to-Date Giving:		\$ 268,311.00
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving		\$ 309,342.00 (-\$41,031)

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in honor of  
**Beeg Ford’s 90th Birthday.**

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IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Month:** David & Robin White (Atlanta)
- **Ministry of the Month:** Lifeline Children's Services
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Jackie Thompson and Chris Groebe
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Jack, Kate, Lara May and Daisy Inman
- **College Student of the Week:** Rebecca Groebe
- God would bless us with new conversions, visitors, families, & members.

*Weddings and Babies:*

- **Katlyn and Joel Huddleston:** Atlas Wyatt was born Oct 19<sup>th</sup>, 7lbs, 6ozs.
- **John Stowers and Anna Kate Carter:** to be married on Nov 14<sup>th</sup>.
- **Brandi Brock:** will have gastric sleeve surgery in Ocean Springs on Nov 9<sup>th</sup>; hopes she can lose enough weight to be eligible for a kidney transplant; attended here before moving to Gautier; she misses us.
- **Debbie Ford** (Beeg Ford's daughter-in-law): at Baptist with heart palpitations.
- **Steve Pilgrim** (Charlie Moak's son-in-law): very sick with COVID-19.
- **Cheryl Marbury** (Jeanne Monsour's sister-in-law): receiving a series of shots for severe back pain; praying that these will help.
- **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.
- **Bob Booth:** trip to Mayo Clinic revealed that he has ALS.
- **Jerry Moore:** having additional tests and treatment for the pain.
- **Lois Carman:** severe back pain from scoliosis.

*Loved ones battling cancer:*

- **Kelly Langford** (Jacquelyn Thornell's Daughter): melanoma has spread beyond treatment; health is declining; hope to bring her home for in-home hospice.

- **Andrew Gerrard** (Jo Stanford's Nephew): Desmoplastic small round cell tumor (DSRCT); results of the latest scan after a round of aggressive chemo showed no change; will have another round of a previous chemo which showed some good results on Oct 26<sup>th</sup>; plans are underway for him to return to Sloan Kettering (SLK) for further treatment.
- **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.
- **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.

- **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)

- **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