

Brandon Presbyterian Church

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Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, March 07, 2021

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

Meditation

"May the mind of Christ, my Savior, live in me from day to day, by his love and pow'r controlling all I do and say."

Prelude

JACQUELYN THORNELL, ORGANIST

"Jesus Walked this Lonesome Valley" - arr. Roger Wilson

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship *

PSALM 33:1-9

Leader: Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous!
Praise befits the upright.

**People: Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre;
make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!**

Leader: Sing to him a new song;
play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

**People: For the word of the LORD is upright,
and all his work is done in faithfulness.**

Leader: He loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.

**People: By the word of the LORD the heavens were made,
and by the breath of his mouth all their host.**

Leader: He gathers the waters of the sea as a heap;

he puts the deeps in storehouses.

People: Let all the earth fear the LORD;

let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!

Leader: For he spoke, and it came to be;

People: He commanded, and it stood firm.

Hymn of Praise *

N^o. 179

"Hallelujah! Thine the Glory"

1 We praise thee, O God! for the days of our youth, for the bright lamp that shineth - the Word of thy truth.

Refrain:

Hallelujah! thine the glory, hallelujah! we sing;
hallelujah! thine the glory, our praise now we bring.

2 We praise thee, O God! for the Son of thy love, for Jesus who died and is now gone above. [Refrain]

3 We praise thee, O God! for thy Spirit of light, who has shown us our Savior and scattered our night. [Refrain]

4 All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain, who has borne all our sins and has cleansed ev'ry stain! [Refrain]

Invocation *

Hymn of Praise *

"Speak O Lord" (Getty)

1 Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to receive the food of Your Holy Word. Take Your Truth, plant it deep in us: shape and fashion us in Your likeness. That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord and fulfill in us all Your purposes for your glory.

2 Teach us Lord, full obedience, Holy reverence, true humility. Test our thoughts and our attitudes; in the radiance of Your purity. Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority. Words of pow'r that can never fail. Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

3 Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, that will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on Your promises; And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us. Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built and the earth is filled with Your glory.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Footnotes: "descended into hell" = descended into the place of the dead, not of eternal punishment. "catholic church" = the church exists universally, not just in one culture or denomination.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done; On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts; As we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. *Amen.*

Pastoral Prayer

Special Music

MARSHA GLOVER/PIANIST

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us" with "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"
arr. Carol Tornquist

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

Reading of Holy Scripture

HEBREWS 4:14-5:10

¹⁴ Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.

¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just

as we are—yet he did not sin. ¹⁶ Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. **5** Every high priest is selected from among the people and is appointed to represent the people in matters related to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ² He is able to deal gently with those who are ignorant and are going astray, since he himself is subject to weakness. ³ This is why he has to offer sacrifices for his own sins, as well as for the sins of the people. ⁴ And no one takes this honor on himself, but he receives it when called by God, just as Aaron was. ⁵ In the same way, Christ did not take on himself the glory of becoming a high priest. But God said to him, "You are my Son; today I have become your Father." ⁶ And he says in another place, "You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek." ⁷ During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸ Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered ⁹ and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him ¹⁰ and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek.

Sermon

DR. DAVID FELKER

"Jesus the Great High Priest"

Hymn of Response *

N^o. 644

"May the Mind of Christ My Savior"

1 May the mind of Christ, my Savior, live in me from day to day, by his love and pow'r controlling all I do and say.

2 May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour, so that all may see I triumph only through his pow'r.

3 May the peace of God my Father rule my life in ev'rything, that I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.

4 May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea; him exalting, self abasing: this is victory.

5 May his beauty rest upon me as I seek the lost to win, and may they forget the channel, seeing only him.

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

Hebrews 4:14-5:10

“Jesus the Great High Priest”

A socially distanced **BABY SHOWER** for Alex Word Adams will be held Sunday, April 25 at 2 pm in the church fellowship hall. Alex and Michael are expecting Jack Lawler Adams in June and are registered on Amazon and Target. Masks and social distancing will be required.

Announcements

Adult Sunday School class: Beginning today, March 7, the Adult Sunday School class will relocate to the fellowship hall. Dr. Neill will resume his study of 1&2 Samuel. Please join us.

Youth Sunday School Class: The Youth will meet with the adults in the fellowship hall this Spring.

Daylight Savings Time: Daylight Savings Time begins next Sunday, March 14; don't forget to move your clocks ahead one hour when you go to bed.

byFaith Magazine : The March issue of *byFaith Magazine* are in the breezeway.

2021 Offering Envelopes: Offering Envelopes are in the breezeway.

Flowers: 2021 calendar is on the bulletin board downstairs. If you have a date you prefer please sign up early to reserve that date. Feel free to call the church office to sign up.

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Service (10:00): Feb 28	75
Live Views	21
Total Online Views	34
Sunday School	59
Last Week's Offering:	\$ 3,076.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$ 7,161.00
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$ 53,956.00
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving	\$ 64,449.00 (-\$10,493)

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
by Chris and Tina Groebe.

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Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 AM — 12:30 PM

IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Month:** Caleb Cheon (Taiwan)
 - **Ministry of the Month:** RUF Mid South
 - **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Nat Whitten, Luther Stowers & Eric Napier
 - **Child(ren) of the Week:** Sybil Grace and Merrian Glover
 - **College Student of the Week:** Will Tolar
 - God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**
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- **Jimmy Carmen** was just diagnosed with Ocular Myasthenia Gravis. He can't see out of his left eye. He is waiting to get an appointment with a specialist. Please pray for the appointment to happen soon. Please pray for Lois and Jimmy.
 - **Jennifer McDonald** (Julie Rogers' daughter): still has not gotten her sense of smell back after having COVID-19; please pray that the blood clots that she has will go away.
 - **Cindy Vredeveld** (Julie Rogers' sister-in law): had open heart surgery; has been moved to Select Specialty Hospital, Madison, WI; husband, Gary, has been allowed to go visit her. She has good days and bad. She is still on a ventilator, which they are trying to ween her off of; could still be in the hospital another 4 to 6 months yet due to her present condition.
 - **Daisy Lucas** (Kathy & Jim Smith's niece): chronic liver disease; responding well to medication.
 - **Danny Fillinger** (Karen Whitney's father): fell & broke 5 ribs; home now on oxygen. Pray for full recovery and strength.
 - **Ken Bramlett:** CT scan was negative, no fluid in brain area; having a difficult time with balance; pain in his legs is ongoing but manageable at this time.
 - **Debbie Ford** (Beeg Ford's daughter-in-law): had heart surgery Dec 3rd; improving; Doctors are still working to regulate her heart.
 - **Bob Booth:** has ALS; receiving physical, occupational and respiratory therapies, as well as, home health.
 - **Bill Glover:** still experiencing many problems due to Parkinson's; hopeful of seeing his doctor soon.
 - **Jerry Moore:** please pray for him to regain strength and for his new medications to be effective.
 - **Alex Word Adams:** expecting mother; due date June 27.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Will Glover** (Marsha & Bill Glover's Son): is scheduled for a MRI on Thursday, March 11th and a procedure to improve his swallowing on Thursday, March 18th; all at UAB. He is receiving PT and will soon begin OT. He has avastin infusions every three weeks at UMMC.
 - **Sherrill Smith** (Jim Smith's sister): brain & lung cancer; has completed radiation on brain tumors and has begun chemo for the lung cancer.
 - **Gib Vredeveld** (Julie Rogers' Father): esophageal cancer; had a good report from the oncologist; they are pleased that the cancer is slowly progressing and not creating too many problems; tires easily some days but for the most part is doing well; next follow up with the oncologist is in July.
 - **Jim Smith:** pancreatic cancer; doing well. 3 years out from extensive surgery and he has had 3 years of stable scans.
 - **John** (French Camp Student): stage 4 Lymphoma; spread to his bones; admitted to St. Jude; started chemo Jan 27th.
 - **Andrew McCall** (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): acute leukemia; celebrated his 15th birthday, Jan 18th.
 - **Terry McGinty** (Kerri Matthews' Uncle): prostate cancer; has metastasized to the bone; weak, difficulty walking; receiving treatment.
 - **Sarah Parks Martin** (relative of Bob and Carol Booth & PCA pastor's wife): breast cancer; through with Chemo, doing well.
 - **Andrew Gerrard** (Jo Stanford's Nephew): Desmoplastic small round cell tumor (DSRCT); approved for clinical trial at MSK and 6 week treatment began on Nov 9th; Praise the Lord! Please pray for shrinkage of the tumors and successful management of the concerning fluid build up.
 - **Steven Bell** (Tiffany Glover's brother): liver/colon cancer; doing well.
 - **Presbyterian pastors in MS fighting cancer:** Alan Stanton, Pinehaven in Clinton (brain tumor); Richard Owens, Westminster Pres, Greenwood (brain tumor)
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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, Bob & Jody Nelson, Laverne Parks, Laverne Roberts