

Brandon Presbyterian Church

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Morning Worship

The Lord’s Day, May 16, 2021

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

Meditation

AUGUSTINE

“He does not value Christ at all who does not value Christ above all.”

Prelude

JACQUELYN THORNELL, ORGANIST

“I call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ” - Bach

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship *

PSALM 107:1-3

Leader: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

People: for his steadfast love endures forever!

Leader: Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble,

People: and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Hymn of Praise *

N^o 650

“I will Sing of My Redeemer” (Philip Bliss)

1 I will sing of my Redeemer, and his wondrous love to me: on the cruel cross he suffered, from the curse to set me free.

Refrain:

Sing, O sing of my Redeemer! With his blood he purchased me; on the cross he sealed my pardon, paid the debt and made me free.

2 I will tell the wondrous story, how my lost estate to save, in his boundless love and mercy, he the ransom freely gave. [Refrain]

3 I will praise my dear Redeemer, his triumphant pow’r I’ll tell, how the victory he giveth over sin and death and hell. [Refrain]

4 I will sing of my Redeemer and his heav’n ly love to me; he from death to life has brought me, Son of God, with him to be. [Refrain]

Invocation *

Hymn of Praise *

N^o 481

“Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”

1 O soul, are you weary and troubled? No light in the darkness you see? There’s light for a look at the Savior, and life more abundant and free!

Refrain:

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in His wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of His glory and grace.

2 Through death into life everlasting, he passed, and we follow Him there; over us sin no more hath dominion—for more than conqu’rors we are! [Refrain]

3 His Word shall not fail you—he promised; believe Him, and all will be well: then go to a world that is dying, His perfect salvation to tell! [Refrain]

Responsive Reading

Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q&A 21

Q. Who is the Redeemer of God’s elect?

A. **The only Redeemer of God’s elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continues to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever.**

Pastoral Prayer

Special Music

JACQUELYN THORNELL/PIANO SOLO

"Sheep May Safely Graze" - Bach

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

Reading of Holy Scripture

LUKE 9:18-27

¹⁸ Once when Jesus was praying in private and his disciples were with him, he asked them, "Who do the crowds say I am?"

¹⁹ They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, that one of the prophets of long ago has come back to life."

²⁰ "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Peter answered, "God's Messiah."

²¹ Jesus strictly warned them not to tell this to anyone. ²² And he said, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life."

²³ Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me."

²⁴ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it. ²⁵ What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self?

²⁶ Whoever is ashamed of me and my words, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his glory and in the glory of the Father and of the holy angels.

²⁷ "Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God."

Sermon

DR. GUY P WATERS

"Confessing Christ, Following Christ"

Hymn of Response *

Nº 576

"Awake, My Soul, Stretch Every Nerve"

1 Awake, my soul, stretch ev'ry nerve, and press with vigor on; a heav'nly race demands your zeal, and an immortal crown, and an immortal crown.

2 A cloud of witnesses around hold you in full survey: forget the steps already trod, and onward urge your way, and onward urge your way.

3 'Tis God's all animating voice that calls you from on high; 'tis his own hand presents the prize to your aspiring eye, to your aspiring eye:

4 That prize with peerless glories bright, which shall new luster boast, when victors' wreaths and monarchs' gems shall blend in common dust, shall blend in common dust.

5 Blest Savior, introduced by you, have I my race begun; and, crowned with vict'ry at your feet I'll lay my honors down, I'll lay my honors down.

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

Luke 9:18-27

“Confessing Christ, Following Christ”

The Christian is...

1. Cruciform (Cross-Shaped)

2. Calculating

3. Confident

Announcements

Christian Education Committee: The Christian Education Committee will meet on 5/23 in the fellowship hall immediately after the worship service.

Golf Tournament: There is a sign up sheet for the Will Brown Memorial Golf Tournament on the Bulletin Board. If you would be interested in participating, please sign up. Names need to be turned in by July to get this tournament confirmed. Thank you, Buford

Children and Parents: All Children are invited to the Inman home (108 Rollingwood Drive) from 5:30 - 7:00 PM for supper, catechism and play. Parents are welcome. Questions?? contact Susan 601-624-1439.

Adult & Youth Sunday School classes: The Adult and Youth Sunday School classes are meeting in the fellowship hall. Dr. Neill is continuing his study of 1&2 Samuel. Please join us.



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.

BELL RINGERS: Today: Joel Ouzts Next Week: Lara May Inman

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Service (10:00):	May 9	108
Live Views		7
Total Online Views		15
Sunday School		54
Last Week's Offering:		\$14,820.00
Online Giving:		\$299.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:		\$7,161.00
Year-to-Date Giving:		\$134,852.00
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving		\$136,059.00 (-1,207.00)

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The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God.
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Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 AM — 12:30 PM

IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Month:** Chaplins
- **Ministry of the Month:** MS Benevolence
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Scotty Dickey, Andrew Rush
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Jackson, Jude and Lily Smith
- **College Student of the Week:** Samuel Hellier
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**

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- **Bob Booth:** has passed away; please be in prayer for the family.
 - **Bill Glover:** his surgery went well. Please keep Glover family in prayer.
 - **Albert Allien:** fell and hit his head. He is now recovering at Wisteria; please keep him in your prayers.
 - **Jerry Moore:** please pray for him to regain his strength.
 - **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 Vredevelde** (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 Fillingner** (Karen Whitney's father): fell & broke 5 ribs; home now on oxygen. Pray for full recovery and strength.
 - **Alex Word Adams:** expecting mother; due date June 27.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Jim Smith:** pancreatic cancer; doing well. 3 years out from extensive surgery and he has had 3 years of stable scans. Jim's next scan is June 15th. We are asking prayer for another stable scan.

- **Scott Baxter:** (son of Mary Thompson's friend) went to be with the Lord on Wednesday; please be in prayer for the family.
 - **Will Glover** (Marsha & Bill Glover's Son): is getting the IV temidor and avastin monthly. He had no side effects at this point except fatigue. He is continuing OT, PT and may begin more speech and swallowing therapy soon.
 - **Andrew Gerrard** (Jo Stanford's Nephew): latest scan showed that Andrew's cancer has grown more than 20%, which makes him ineligible for the trial. MD Anderson and Sloan Kettering discussed next treatment options and agreed upon a new drug combination treatment. He has started that treatment in Tuscaloosa as prescribed by MDA. Please pray for relief from nausea and vomiting, which appear to be very real with this chemo, for him to maintain an appetite and for shrinkage of the tumors.
 - **Sherrill Smith** (Jim Smith's sister): brain & lung cancer; has completed radiation on brain tumors and has begun chemo for the lung cancer.
 - **Gib Vredevelde** (Julie Rogers' Father): esophageal cancer; 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 oncologist follow up is in July.
 - **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.
 - **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); 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, Evelyn Culpepper, Bob & Jody Nelson, Laverne Parks, Laverne Roberts