

# Brandon Presbyterian Church

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## Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, October 17, 2021

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

### Meditation

A.W. TOZER

"While we are looking at God, we do not see ourselves. Blessed riddance"

### Prelude

JACQUELYN THORNELL/ORGANIST

"He Leadeth Me" - Ritter

### Welcome & Announcements

### Call to Worship \*

ISAIAH 6:1-7

Leader: In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train<sup>1</sup> of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said:

**People: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"**

Leader: And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said:

**People: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"**

Leader: Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said:

**People: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."**

### Hymn of Praise \*

N<sup>o</sup> 100

"Holy, Holy, Holy!" (Reginald Heber)

**1** Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

**2** Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

**3** Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

**4** Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

### Invocation \*

### Hymn of Praise \*

N<sup>o</sup> 705

"I Know Whom I Have Believed"

(piano, Marsha)

**1** I know not why God's wondrous grace to me he has made known, nor why, unworthy, Christ in love redeemed me for his own.

#### Refrain

But "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I've committed unto him against that day."

**2** I know not how this saving faith to me he did impart, nor how believing in his Word wrought peace within my heart. [Refrain]

3 I know not how the Spirit moves, convincing men of sin, revealing Jesus through the Word, creating faith in him. [Refrain]

4 I know not what of good or ill may be reserved for me, of weary ways or golden days, before his face I see. [Refrain]

5 I know not when my Lord may come, at night or noonday fair, nor if I'll walk the vale with him, or "meet him in the air." [Refrain]

### Confession of Sin

*BOOK OF COMMON WORSHIP*

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love. We have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Assurance of Pardon

ISAIAH 1:18

"Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

### Pastoral Prayer

### Special Music

MICHELLE SMITH

"Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer" (Getty)

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

### Reading of Holy Scripture

HEBREWS 11:1-6

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.

<sup>2</sup> This is what the ancients were commended for.

<sup>3</sup> By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

<sup>4</sup> By faith Abel brought God a better offering than Cain did. By faith he was commended as righteous, when God spoke well of his offerings. And by faith Abel still speaks, even though he is dead.

<sup>5</sup> By faith Enoch was taken from this life, so that he did not experience death: "He could not be found, because God had taken him way." For before he was taken, he was commended as one who pleased God.

<sup>6</sup> And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

### Sermon

DR. JOHN K. DAWSON

"A Prescription for the Eyes of Faith"

### Hymn of Response\*

N<sup>o</sup>95

"Though Troubles Assail Us"

- 1 Though troubles assail us and dangers affright, though friends should all fail us and foes all unite, yet one thing secures us, whatever betide, the promise assures us, "The Lord will provide."
- 2 The birds, without garner or storehouse, are fed; from them let us learn to trust God for our bread. His saints what is fitting shall ne'er be denied so long as 'tis written, "The Lord will provide."
- 3 When Satan assails us to stop up our path, and courage all fails us, we triumph by faith. He cannot take from us, though oft he has tried, this heart cheering promise, "The Lord will provide."
- 4 No strength of our own and no goodness we claim; yet, since we have know of the Savior's great name, in this our strong tower for safety we hid: the Lord is our power, "The Lord will provide."

### 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

Reginald Heber was born to a minister and his wife in an English village on April 21, 1783. After a happy childhood, he received an excellent education in his village school and went on to study at Oxford excelling in poetry and becoming a close friend of Sir Walter Scott. Following graduation he succeeded his father as vicar in his family's parish serving for 16 years. It was during these years that Heber wrote all 57 of his hymns. Reginald had a heart for missions and in 1822 at age 40 he was appointed to oversee the Church of England's ministries in India. He died suddenly in India four years later. His poems were published after his death by his widow.

### Sermon Notes

Hebrews 11:1-6

"A Prescription for the Eyes of Faith"

- I. A Definition That Brings Clarity (v. 1)
  
- II. Perception That Brings Perspective (v. 3)
  
- III. Illustrations That Bring Consolation (vv. 4-5)
  
- IV. An Examination That Brings Correction (v. 6)

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in memory of Neil Edward Monsour by Jeanne Monsour.

### Announcements

**Samaritan's Purse Christmas Child boxes:** Thank you all for your generous donations to the Christmas Child project this year. The children under the direction of the Inmans and the Smiths are now in charge of the gathering and packing. We are so thankful for them and the blessing this will be.

**French Camp:** We are raising money again for a dorm at French Camp; the Day Dorm. This is one of the dorms we helped last year and John, the boy with cancer we've been praying for, stays there. The money will go to update any household needs as well as allow them to do something special this Christmas.

**Devo & Donuts:** All students in 6th-8th grade are invited to join us on October 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 a.m. for Devo and Donuts.

**Sunday Night:** Parents and children will meet this evening at the church from 5:30 - 7:00 PM. Parents (**husbands** and wives encouraged and welcomed to come) are in a new book on marriage with John and Ashley Belknap leading. Children will eat, study *The Young Peacemaker*, and play. Questions?? Please see Nate or Susan Inman.

**BELL RINGERS:** Today: Lou Woods Next Week: Rhett Eastland

### ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Service (10:00):	Oct 10	86
Live Views		9
Total Online Views		21
Sunday School		66
Last Week's Offering:		\$9,427.00
Online Giving:		\$300.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:		\$7,161.00
Year-to-Date Giving:		\$334,592.00
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving		\$279,276.00 (+55,316.00)

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### IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Month:** Caleb & MiYoung Cheon (Taiwan)
- **Ministry of the Month:** Center for Violence Prevention
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Jim Neill, Nate Inmate
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Joel and Caroline Ouzts
- **College Student of the Week:** Matt Stowers
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**



- **Ken Elliot:** is still in ICU; awaiting results of chest x-ray.
- **Jimmy Carman:** does not have an aneurysm; still having trouble with double-vision and has started a new medication that hopefully will help.
- **Ben Morris** (Angela McInnis' son): is having a long road to recovery from COVID. His O2 levels are still not where they should be.
- **Erin Clayton:** is doing better from surgery; plans to be back at church as soon as possible.
- **David Anderson:** (Kerri Matthew's uncle) is getting 4 -6 weeks of radiation treatment at MD Anderson. He has gained some weight and is getting stronger but his vision has not improved
- **Mary Brooks** (Marsha Glover's Mom): is out of the hospital and will continue on antibiotics and dialysis.
- **Cindy Vredeveld** (Julie Rogers' sister-in law): is now living with her mother. She gets a daily visit from a home health nurse since she still requires a lot of help.
- **Bill Glover:** Bill saw the vascular doctor and after tests it appears that his pain is not a result of vascular issues.
- **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.
- **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.

### *Loved ones battling cancer:*

- **Andrew Gerrard** (Jo Stanford's nephew): desmoplastic small round cell tumor(s); started chemo again after pausing for several weeks. He began a very strong 3-drug combination, some of which can greatly affect the heart. One of the side effects is extreme fluid build-up and vomiting. A catheter is a strong possibility. He receives one more round of chemo before his next scan, scheduled for Nov. 4th. Please pray for him to have a good response to his treatment and that fluid build-up will lessen tremendously over the coming week.
- **Terry McGinty** (Kerri Matthews' uncle): prostate cancer; has metastasized to the bone; weak, difficulty walking. He will begin 4 to 6 weeks of radiation treatments at MD Anderson soon.
- **Gib Vredeveld** (Julie Rogers' father): esophageal cancer; recently saw the oncologist. Over the past 2 months he has taken a turn for the worse. He has chosen hospice care.
- **Jim Smith:** pancreatic cancer; doing well. We are so very thankful and grateful to report that Jim has had another stable scan. We are so appreciative of all the pray-ers and all the prayers from our church family.
- **John** (French Camp student): stage 4 Lymphoma; spread to his bones; admitted to St. Jude; started chemo Jan 27<sup>th</sup>.
- **Andrew McCall** (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): acute leukemia; celebrated his 15<sup>th</sup> birthday, Jan 18<sup>th</sup>.
- **Presbyterian pastors in MS fighting cancer:** Alan Stanton, Pinehaven in Clinton (brain tumor); Richard Owens, Westminster Pres, Greenwood (brain tumor)



- **Service members:** Glenn Stewart (Fort Campbell, KY; Sam Heath's nephew); 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, Evelyn Culpepper, Jody Nelson, Laverne Roberts