

THIS WEEK @ BPC

**TODAY**  
 9:00 AM Sunday School  
 10:00 AM Worship Service  
 5:30 PM Adult Bible Study, Children’s Meal & Activities, Youth Group

**TUESDAY**  
 9:30 AM Women’s Ministry Leadership Team

**SATURDAY**  
 7:30 AM Men’s Prayer Breakfast

**Pastor Search Committee Members**

Ashley Belknap	John Thompson	<b>Alternates</b>
Scotty Dickey	Dr. Jim Neill	Angela McInnis
Thomas Eastland		Gray Ouzts

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Adult Sunday School - Spring Quarter:** Dr. John Belknap will be teaching a class on the distinctives of the Reformed faith entitled, **Presbyterian, What do you believe? A deep dive into some of the basics.** John will be focusing on the Five Points of Calvinism. You will learn what these basics of the reformed faith are and why they are important to your walk with Christ, as we study scripture together. Whether you were raised in a Presbyterian church, or are just being introduced to the Reformed faith, this will be a wonderful opportunity for us all to grow in our understanding of God's sovereign grace. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 AM beginning next Sunday, March 5th.

**Our Daily Bread:** The spring issue (March-May) may be picked up in the breezeway.  
**Adult Choir:** No Choir rehearsal today.

**Adult Bible Study:** (5:30 - 7:00 PM) All adults are invited to study *Sermon on the Mount: Kingdom Life in a Fallen World* by Sinclair Ferguson. We hope you will join us as we discuss this book on the greatest sermon ever preached. Books will be provided by the church. We meet in the Choir Classroom with Nate Inman leading.

**Flower Calendar:** The 2023 flower calendar has been posted on the bulletin board. Sign up soon to get your special day.

**French Camp:** The Missions, Ministries, and Outreach Committee would like to raise money for one of our supported ministries, French Camp Academy. Currently, French Camp has several needs, including new windows for the dorms, new computers and clothing. They have indicated that the new windows are their most urgent need. The Committee will be accepting donations for the benefit of French Camp until March 19. On March 26, French Camp will be present during the Worship Service to give us an update on their ministry. We would like to present them with the money that we have raised at that time. If you would like to make a donation, make your checks payable to BPC, and write “French Camp” in the memo line.

**CHILDREN’S MINISTRY**

**Sunday School:** Classes for 2 years - 6<sup>th</sup> grade meet each Sunday at 9:00 AM.  
**Sunday Night:** The children's Sunday evening activities are from 5:30 - 7:00 PM. The children will eat supper and then we will split into three groups to study the Bible and play. (2 yr. olds-K5, 1st-3rd & 4th-6th)

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

**Bell Ringer:** Keaton Hoge      **Next Week:** Lara May Inman  
**Nursery:** Cortney Greer/Amy Kaiser      **Next Week:** Chauncey Blakeny/Amy Kaiser  
**February:** Davida Curtis      **March:** Gray Ouzts

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

**February:** Jim and Melinda Neill      **March:** Joe & Cathy Costello

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Sunday School:** Jr. and Sr. High classes meet upstairs at 9:00 AM every Sunday.  
**Youth Fellowship:** Youth Group meets Sunday nights at 5:30 PM.

**Sermon Notes**

“The MUST of the New Birth”  
 John 3:1-15

STAFF

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OFFICERS

**Elders:** RE Scotty Dickey, RE Walt Herrington, RE Gary Morrison, RE Jim Neill, RE Jackie Thompson, RE Nat Whitten

**Deacons:** Chris Groebe, Nate Inman, Eric Napier, Andrew Rush, Brian Smith, Luther Stowers, John Thompson, Darrin Tolar

**Officers Emeritus:**

**Elders:** Charlie Moak, Elton Jay, Jim McBrayer †  
**Deacons:** John McInnis †, Ken Bramlett †, Edsel Parks †, Richard Harrison

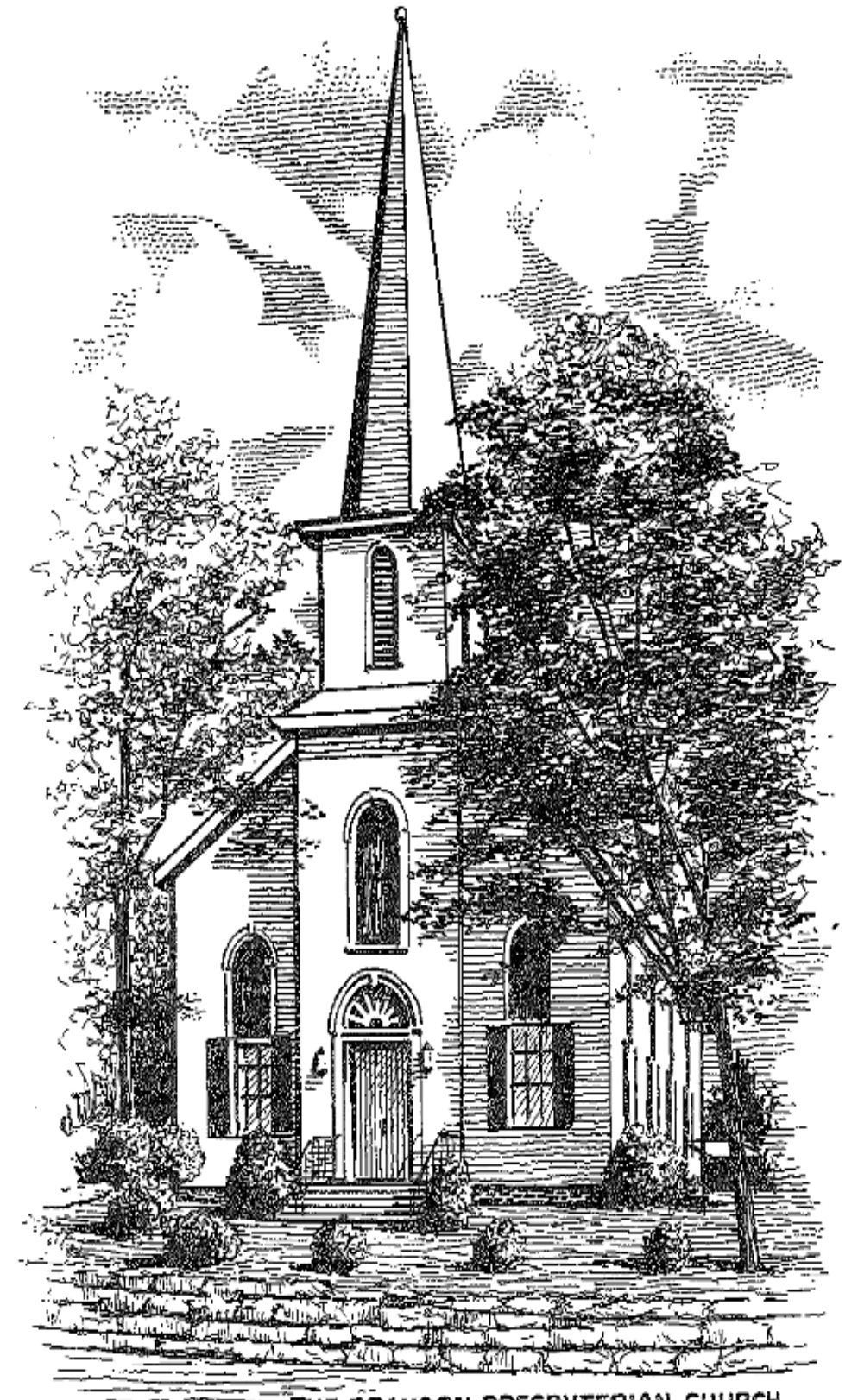
Women’s Ministry

Dickey Shepherding Group: Angela McInnis, Ruth Lathem  
 Herrington Shepherding Group: Camille Herrington, Jo Stanford  
 Morrison Shepherding Group: Kerri Matthews, Carole Morrison,  
 Neill Shepherding Group: Melinda Neill, Becky Inman  
 Thompson Shepherding Group: Mary Thompson, Jeanne Monsour  
 Whitten Shepherding Group: Julie Huddleston, Elizabeth Pinkerton  
 Flower Coordinator - Sonia Jay: esjay@att.net

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God.

**To Our Visitors**

We are pleased to have you worship with us.  
 Our church doors are open as wide as the Gospel:  
*“For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved”* Romans 10:13  
 Please fill out a visitor’s card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher at the end of the service. Let an usher know if you have any questions.



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*“The Church’s One Foundation  
 Is Jesus Christ, Her Lord...”*

# Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, February 26, 2023

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

Meditation RICHARD BAXTER  
"Lord, I surrender. I am completely overcome by your love."

## Welcome & Announcements

Prelude/ Preparation for Worship JACQUELYN THORNELL, ORGANIST  
"Prelude in F Major" - Bach

Call to Worship \* PSALM 147:1  
Leader: Praise the LORD!  
**People: For it is good to sing praises to our God;**  
Leader: for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

## Invocation \*

Hymn of Praise \* N<sup>o</sup>:246  
"Man of Sorrows! What a Name"

Responsive Reading WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM, Q&A 60-62  
Leader: How do we keep the Sabbath holy?  
**People: We keep the Sabbath holy by resting the whole day from worldly affairs or recreations, even ones that are lawful on other days. Except for necessary works or acts of mercy we should spend all our time publicly and privately worshiping God.**

Leader: What does the fourth commandment forbid?  
**People: The fourth commandment forbids failing to do or carelessly doing what we are supposed to do. It also forbids treating the day as unholy by loafing, by doing anything in itself sinful, or by unnecessary thinking, talking about, or working on our worldly affairs or recreations.**

Leader: What are the reasons for the fourth commandment?  
**People: The reasons for the fourth commandment are these: God allows us six days of the week to take of our affairs; He claims the seventh day as His own; He set the example; and He blesses the Sabbath.**

## Confession of Sin

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon MATTHEW 11:28-30  
Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Hymn of Praise \* N<sup>o</sup>: 693  
"Blessed Assurance"

## Pastoral Prayer

## God's Tithes & Our Offerings

Offertory JACQUELYN THORNELL  
"O Lamb of God, Pure and holy" - Pachelbel

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.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Special Music SHELLIE BROWN KEMP, VIOLIN/JACQUELYN THORNELL, PIANO  
"BE THOU MY VISION"

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

Reading of Holy Scripture PAGES 751-752  
John 3:1-15

Sermon REV. EARL ADAMS  
"The MUST of the New Birth"

Hymn of Response \* N<sup>o</sup>: 465  
"Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord"

Benediction  
\*congregation Standing

### ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10:00): February 19	130
Live Views:	5
Total Online views:	35
Sunday School:	76
Last Week's Offering:	\$ 2,581.00
Online Giving:	\$ 1,045.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$ 8,345.00
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$ 77,742.00 (+10,982.00)
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving:	\$ 66,760.00

**Save the Date:** Ladies, please join us for a Wedding shower for Kara Beth Carter (Matt Stowers) Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Kara Beth and Matt are registered at Amazon, Elizabeth Claire's, and Emmitt Colliers Brandon Stoneware.

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### IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Week:** David & Robin White (Atlanta; Field Support)
- **Ministry of the Week:** French Camp
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Nat Whitten, Luther Stowers, and Eric Napier
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Ceili and Lisa Lee
- **College Student of the Week:** Eli Whitten
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**

### Weddings and Babies:

- **Laura Whitten:** expecting a boy April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- **Matt Stowers and Kara Beth Carter:** to be married May 6<sup>th</sup>.
- **Jesse Greer** (Daniel and Cortney's son): scheduled to have an ultrasound on March 6<sup>th</sup> for a small lump on his temple.
- **Bill Glover:** had reverse shoulder replacement surgery on Wednesday. Recuperating at home. His surgeon hopes that this surgery will eventually help with the pain he has been experiencing from osteo and rheumatoid arthritis for years.
- **Hays Monsour** (Jeanne Monsour's 19 yr. old nephew): continued checkups at UAB show that dialysis is helping and the search for a transplant looks very promising at this time.
- **Mary Ruth Ruffin:** is now living in Magee permanently; pray for her as she adjusts to all the changes she is making and continues to recuperate after having a pacemaker put in. Her left arm is in a sling for several more weeks.
- **Ronnie Aguzzi** (Jan Heath's brother-in-law): had a permanent pacemaker put in; continue praying for him and his family as he recuperates.
- **Will Saulter** (Jan Heath's 20 year old neighbor): diagnosed with brain cancer; undergoing radiation treatments.
- **Brady Stewart** (Carol Booth's son-in-law): Continues to do well. Will continue to wear a heart monitor and take medication for his heart indefinitely.
- **Jim Smith:** fractured vertebra (L3); please pray for no further complications and healing.

### Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Trent Atkinson** (Sue and Richard Bohnen's son,): has been diagnosed with cancer. He will be undergoing chemotherapy treatments.
- **Ames Lee** (Chad and Wendy Lee's son): leukemia; had BMT on June 1<sup>st</sup>. His t-cells are still stable at 42%, had his central line removed and a bone marrow biopsy; MRD is negative!! Moving to monthly appointments. Thank you all for your prayers and support. I will continue to give you updates.
- **Bill Monsour** (Hays Monsour's grandfather): Continues with chemo for cancer in his back. His outlook is positive.
- **Jim Smith:** Jim has had another stable scan. We are praising God for His goodness and mercy to us!!!
- **Dick Cauthen** (friend of Brian and Kerri Matthews): The latest PET scan showed all the masses throughout his body are almost nonexistent. He will continue chemo through February, 2023. He needs to gain weight and build strength. Prayer is powerful.
- **Marilyn Blakeney** (Chris Blakeney's Mom): has completed radiation, is back home and doing well. She will have chemo every 21 days through March. In April she will have a scan to make sure everything is clear.
- **Andrew McCall** (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): acute leukemia, sleep apnea and avascular necrosis in his ankles & knees; all is stable. Thank you for your prayers.

• **Nursing home residents & shut-ins:** Joe Berryhill, Evelyn Culpepper, Jody Nelson, Laverne Roberts

• **Service members:** Matthew Hellier, CA; Glenn Stewart, Fort Campbell (Sam Heath's nephew); Jesse Thomas Dickey; Joey Brown (Barbara Fowler's nephew); Laurel and Aaron Arnold, (Jeff & Lisa Bynum's Daughter and son-in-law); Baylor Griggs, Marine boot camp (Scott Word's nephew)