

# Brandon Presbyterian Church

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## Morning Worship

The Lord’s Day, October 18, 2020

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

Meditation

COUNT ZINZENDOR

Jesus, thy blood and righteousness  
my beauty are, my glorious dress;  
'midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed,  
with joy shall I lift up my head.

Prelude

“From Heaven to Earth I Come”  
Jacquelyn Thornell, Organist

ZACHAU

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship \*

ROMANS 8:31-35

Leader: What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

People: **He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?**

Leader: Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies.

People: **Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.**

Leader: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?

People: **No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Hymn of Praise \*

N<sup>o</sup>. 616

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

1 What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

**Refrain:**

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

2 O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms; Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms. [Refrain]

3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms? I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. [Refrain]

Invocation \*

Hymn of Praise \*

N<sup>o</sup>. 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.

### Responsive Reading

PSALM 51

Leader: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercy blot out our  
transgressions.

People: **Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our  
sin! For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before  
us.**

Leader: Against you, you only, have we sinned and done what is evil in  
your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and  
blameless in your judgment.

People: **Hide your face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities.**

Leader: Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit  
within us.

People: **Cast us not away from your presence, and take not your Holy  
Spirit from us.**

Leader: Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and uphold us with a  
willing spirit.

People: **For you will not delight in sacrifice, or we would give it;**

Leader: You will not be pleased with a burnt offering.

People: **Our sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit;**

Leader: A broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

### Pastoral Prayer

### Special Music

PIANO SOLO / MICHELLE SMITH

“Sweet Hour of Power”

“What a Friend We have in Jesus”

### Reading of Holy Scripture

EPHESIANS 6:13-17 (NIV)

<sup>13</sup> Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil  
comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done  
everything, to stand. <sup>14</sup> Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled  
around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place,

<sup>15</sup> and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the  
gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup> In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith,  
with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.

<sup>17</sup> Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the  
word of God.

### Sermon

DR. JOHN K. DAWSON

“Be Armed to the Teeth!”

### Hymn of Response \*

N<sup>o</sup>. 571

“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”

**1** Stand up, stand up for Jesus, ye soldiers of the cross;  
lift high his royal banner, it must not suffer loss:  
from vict'ry unto vict'ry his army he shall lead,  
'til ev'ry foe is vanquished, and Christ is Lord indeed.

**2** Stand up, stand up for Jesus, the trumpet call obey;  
forth to the mighty conflict in this his glorious day:  
ye that are men now serve him against unnumbered foes;  
let courage rise with danger, and strength to strength oppose.

**3** Stand up, stand up for Jesus, stand in his strength alone;  
the arm of flesh will fail you, ye dare not trust your own:  
put on the gospel armor, each piece put on with pray'r;  
where duty calls, or danger, be never wanting there.

**4** Stand up, stand up for Jesus, the strife will not be long;  
this day the noise of battle, the next the victor's song:  
to him that overcometh a crown of life shall be;  
he with the King of glory shall reign eternally.

### 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

Ephesians 6:13-17

“Be Armed to the Teeth”

- I. Belt of Truth (v. 14)
  
- II. Breastplate of Righteousness (v. 14)
  
- III. Boots of the Gospel (v. 15)
  
- IV. Shield of Faith (v. 16)
  
- V. Helmet of Salvation (v. 17)
  
- VI. Sword of the Spirit (v. 17)

### ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10:00):	October 11	74
Live Views		25
Total Online Views		50
Children’s Sunday School		18
Last Week’s Offering:		\$ 6,367.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:		\$ 7,194.00
Year-to-Date Giving:		\$ 259,344.00
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving		\$ 294,954.00 (-\$35,610)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday School and Nursery:** We plan to resume Sunday School for all ages and nursery on Nov 1<sup>st</sup>. Sunday School will be at 9:00 AM and worship at 10:00 AM. Nursery will be available during both Sunday School and Worship.

#### Adult Sunday School

November: Meet in the Sanctuary.

Nov. 1 (Reformation Sunday): John Dawson will be teaching “John Calvin on Prayer”.

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.

#### First - Sixth Grade

November: Meet in the Fellowship Hall.

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



The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in loving memory of Charles and Mary Neill by Jim and Melinda Neill.



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IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Month:** Carl & Becky Chaplin (Chattanooga, TN)
- **Ministry of the Month:** Reformed Theological Seminary
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Walt Herrington, Brian Smith, and Darrin Tolar
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Sybil Grace and Merrian Glover
- **College Student of the Week:** Eli Whitten
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**

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*Weddings and Babies:*

- **Terry and Jackson Pullen:** baby Rad was born Sept 21<sup>st</sup>, 7lbs, 3ozs, 19in.
- **Katlyn and Joel Huddleston:** expecting a baby boy in October.
- **Sarah Carpenter and Thad Moody:** were married on October 17<sup>th</sup>, Congratulations!
- **John Stowers and Anna Kate Carter:** to be married on Nov 14<sup>th</sup>.

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- **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; She is very grateful for every improvement!
  - **Bob Booth:** trip to Mayo Clinic revealed that he has ALS.
  - **Buford Nicholson:** fell off ladder, has 3 broken ribs, in a lot of pain.
  - **Hurricane Victims:** Please remember those affected by Hurricane Laura. Places like Lake Charles were devastated.
  - **Jerry Moore:** having additional tests and treatment for the pain.
  - **Lois Carman:** severe back pain from scoliosis.

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*Loved ones battling cancer:*

- **Kelly Langford** (Jacquelyn Thornell's Daughter): 3 spots of melanoma have been found in her brain; has been admitted to the hospital at MD Anderson and expects additional treatment to begin; receiving

radiation treatments; hoping to prevent paralysis; doctors were surprised at the rapid spread of the cancer.

- **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.
- **Andrew Gerrard** (Jo Stanford's Nephew): Desmoplastic round cell tumor; encouraging possibilities discovered at Sloan Kettering; pray for shrinkage of the large amount of cancer covering his entire abdomen/intestines, for the ability to remove the large amounts of fluid that build up in the abdomen, for his ability to stay well and hydrated.
- **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.

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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, Elsa Davis, Bob & Jody Nelson, Laverne Parks, Laverne Roberts