

THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY		
9:00 AM	Sunday School	
10:00 AM	Worship Service	
4:30 PM	Deacons' Meeting	
4:45 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal	
5:30 PM	Adult Bible Study, Children's Meal & Activities, Youth Group	
7:00 PM	Missions Committee Meeting	
TUESDAY		
9:30 AM	Women's Ministry Project Group	
WEDNESDAY		
7:15 AM	Devo & Donuts	
5:30 PM	Session Meeting	

Pastor Search Committee Members

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Sunday School - Spring Quarter: Dr. John Belknap is 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 each Sunday in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 AM.

Our Daily Bread: The spring issue (March-May) may be picked up in the breezeway.

Adult Choir: Choir rehearsal today from 4:45-5:30 PM.

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 - 6th 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: Lara May Inman **Next Week:** Lawson Hoge

Nursery: Chauncey Blakeney/Amy Kaiser **Next Week:** Rebecca Thompson (SS)/Amy Kaiser

March: Gray Ouzts **April:** Ellie Word

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

March: Joe & Cathy Costello **April:**

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

"Jesus Calls His Church into Action"

Acts 13

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OFFICERS

Elders: RE Scotty Dickey, RE Walt Herrington, RE Gary Morrison,
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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
and in loving memory of Kenneth Elliott by Margaret Elliott**

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.



**THE BRANDON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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*"The Church's One Foundation
Is Jesus Christ, Her Lord..."*

Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, March 5, 2023

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

Meditation JOHN FLAVEL
"Jesus Christ is in every way sufficient to the vast desires of the soul."

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude/ Preparation for Worship JACQUELYN THORNELL, ORGANIST
"When in the Hour of Utmost Need" - J. C. Bach

Call to Worship * PSALM 117
Leader: Praise the LORD, all nations!
People: Extol him, all peoples!
Leader: For great is his steadfast love toward us,
People: and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.
Leader: Praise the LORD!

Invocation *

Hymn of Praise * N^o. 498
"Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!"

Responsive Reading WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM, Q&A 63-66
Leader: What is the fifth commandment?
People: The fifth commandment is: Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you.
Leader: What does the fifth commandment require?
People: The fifth commandment requires us to respect and treat others, whether above, below, or equal to us, as their position or our relationship to them demands.

Leader: What does the fifth commandment forbid?
People: The fifth commandment forbids being disrespectful to or not treating others as their position or relationship to us demands.
Leader: What are the reasons for the fifth commandment?
People: The reason for the fifth commandment is the promise of long life and prosperity, if these glorify God and are for the good of those who obey this commandment.

Confession of Sin JOHN OECOLAMPADIUS
Almighty God and most merciful heavenly Father, we poor, miserable sinners confess that from our childhood until this very hour we have sinned against your commandments by evil thoughts, words, desires, and actions, which we cannot count, and first of all by rank unbelief. Therefore, we are not worthy to be called your children, nor lift our eyes up to heaven. O God and Father, we wish that we had never provoked you to anger. In your mercy and for the sake of your glory, we ask you to receive us into your grace by the forgiveness of our sins. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon ROMANS 5:1-2
Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Hymn of Praise * N^o. 130
"Showers of Blessing."

Pastoral Prayer

God's Tithes & Our Offerings

Offertory JACQUELYN THORNELL
"Lenten Offertory" - arr. L. Smith

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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Special Music JERRY WATSON, SOLO
"Then They Will Know"
Words - Michael Card; Music - Scott Brasher

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

Reading of Holy Scripture PAGES 781-782
Acts 13

Sermon REV. BILLY DEMPSEY
"Jesus Calls His Church into Action"

Hymn of Response * N^o. 585
"Take My Life, and Let It Be"

Benediction
*congregation Standing

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10:00):	February 26	113
Live Views:		6
Total Online views:		23
Sunday School:		89
Last Week's Offering:		\$ 5,779.00
Online Giving:		\$ 444.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:		\$ 8,345.00
Year-to-Date Giving:		\$83,965.00 (+8,860.00)
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving:		\$75,105.00

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

On Sunday, March 26 at 5:30 p.m., Joe and Laurel Barnes will be visiting with us and providing an update on their missions efforts in Peru. Please join us for a potluck meal as we fellowship with and encourage the Barnes family, while learning more about their current ministry and needs.

IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Week:** Caleb & Miyoung Cheon, Taiwan
- **Ministry of the Week:** RUF (Reformed University Fellowship) Mid-South
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Gary Morrison, John Thompson
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Gavin, Ames, and Parker Lee
- **College Student of the Week:** Ainslie Curtis
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**

Weddings and Babies:

- **Laura Whitten:** expecting a boy April 1st.
- **Matt Stowers and Kara Beth Carter:** to be married May 6th.
- **Jesse Greer** (Daniel and Cortney's son): scheduled to have an ultrasound tomorrow for a small lump on his temple; keep them in your prayers.
- **Ronnie Aguzzi** (Jan Heath's brother-in-law): is doing great; thank you for your prayers.
- **Bill Glover:** had reverse shoulder replacement surgery on February 22; he is 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:** living in Magee permanently; pray for her as she continues to recuperate after having a pacemaker put in. Her left arm is in a sling for a few more weeks.
- **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 1st. 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 continued 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)