

THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY
 9:00 AM Sunday School
 10:00 AM Worship Service
 4:45 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal
 5:30 PM No Adult Bible Study, Children's Evening Activities or Youth

TUESDAY
 9:30 AM & 6:30 PM Ladies Bible Study

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.

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. Today is the last day the Committee will be accepting donations for the benefit of French Camp. 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: No Children's evening activities March 12. **Catechism Club** will be on Sunday evenings March 19 - June 25. Please study and come prepared to answer a few questions each night. The two younger classes will be studying the meaning of catechism questions and the 4th- 6th will continue learning how to study the Bible. (If you need a catechism book, please see Susan Inman.)

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Bell Ringer: Lawson Hoge **Next Week:** Lou Woods
Nursery: Rebecca Thompson/ (SS)/Gray Ouzts (WS)/Amy Kaiser
Next Week: Rebecca Thompson (SS)/Cortney Greer (WS)/Cassie Warren
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: No Youth evening activities tonight.

Sermon Notes

"God is Love and Light"

John 3:16-21

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OFFICERS

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

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 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.

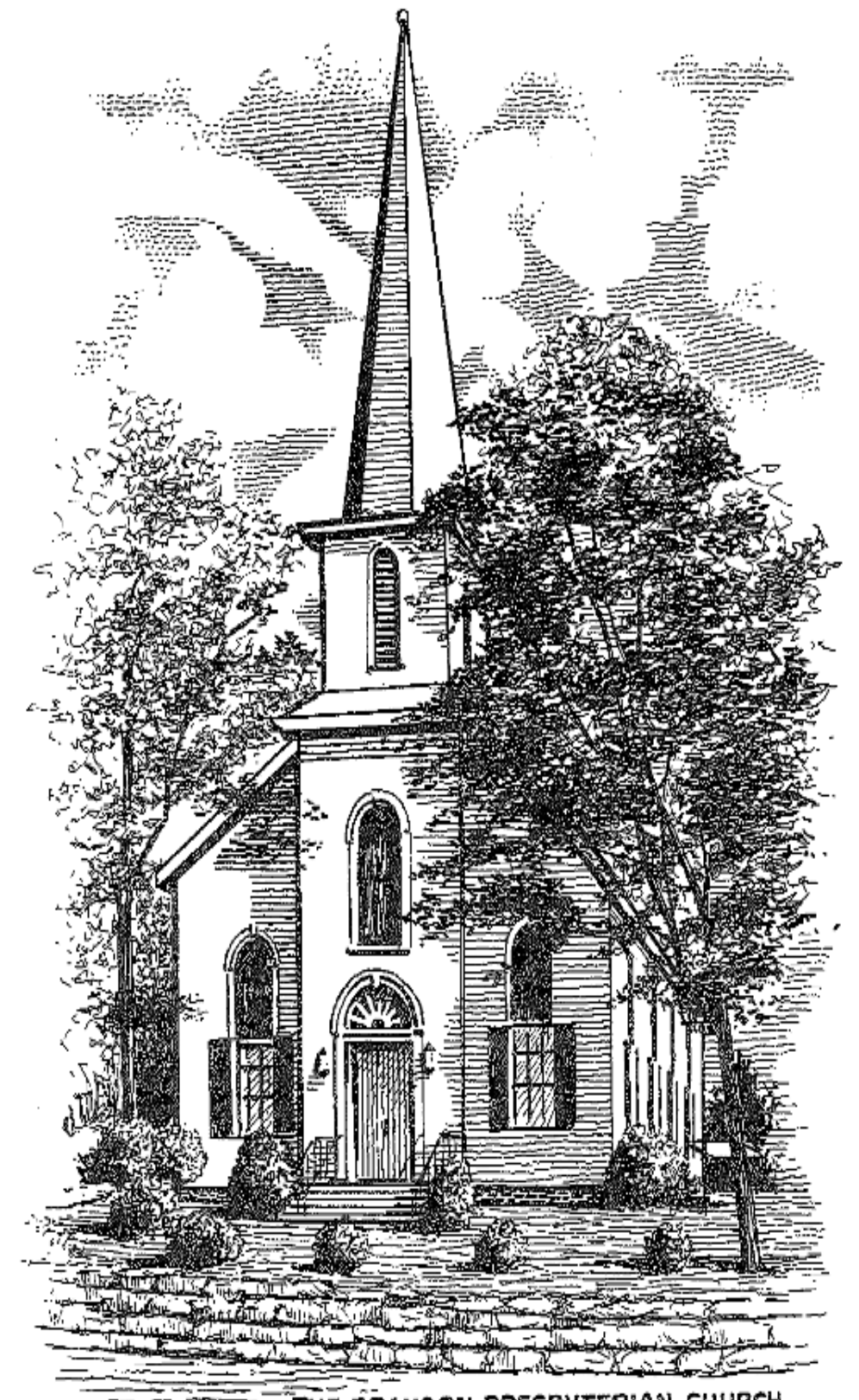
To Our Visitors

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, March 12, 2023

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

Meditation

HERMAN BAVINCK

“The essence of Christianity consists therein: that the creation of the Father, destroyed by sin, is again restored in the death of the Son of God and recreated by the grace of the Holy Spirit to a Kingdom of God.”

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude/ Preparation for Worship

JACQUELYN THORNELL, ORGANIST

“Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness” - Walther

Call to Worship *

PSALM 32:1-11

Leader: Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

People: Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit.

Leader: When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.

People: Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord”— and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

Leader: Therefore let everyone who is godly pray to you while you may be found; Surely when the mighty waters rise, they will not reach him.

People: You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance.

Invocation *

Hymn of Praise *

“Praise Ye the Father!”

N^o 107

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Footnotes: “descended into hell” = descended into the place of the dead, not of eternal punishment. “catholic church” = the church exists universally, not just in one culture or denomination.

Vows of Membership

Will and Savannah Brewer
Richard and Sue Bohnen

Hymn of Praise *

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

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Pastoral Prayer

God's Tithes & Our Offerings

Offertory

JACQUELYN THORNELL

“Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed” - Hughes

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

ADULT CHOIR

“In Christ Alone”

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

Reading of Holy Scripture

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John 3:16-21

Sermon

REV. EARL ADAMS

“God is Love and Light”

Hymn of Response *

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“Savior, Thy Dying Love Thou Gavest Me”

Benediction

*congregation Standing

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10:00): March 5	121
Live Views:	6
Total Online views:	38
Sunday School:	95
Last Week's Offering:	\$ 9,967.00
Online Giving:	\$ 0.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$ 8,345.00
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$93,932.00 (+10,482.00)
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving:	\$83,450.00

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 and Elizabeth Claire's.

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.

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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:** Jim Neill, Nate Inman
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Eliza, Clara and Layton Matthews
- **College Student of the Week:** Jesse Dickey
- 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.

- **Tina Tolar:** dealing with rheumatoid issues, fibromyalgia, diabetes, and cirrhosis.
- **Jesse Greer** (Daniel and Cortney's son): the pediatrician thinks the small lump on his temple is probably a benign cyst; he will be rechecked in a month unless something changes. We appreciate all the prayers so very much! God is so good!
- **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:** pray for her as she continues to recuperate after having a pacemaker put in. Her left arm is in a sling for a couple 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:

- **Ames Lee** (Chad and Wendy Lee's son): leukemia; had BMT on June 1st. Had his first monthly doctor visit; things continue to remain stable. His t-cells haven't moved up much. Pray they move up and for continued healing. Thank you!
- **Dick Cauthen** (friend of Brian and Kerri Matthews): had a PET scan last week and it showed that there are spots between his liver and right kidney. He will have a biopsy done tomorrow, March 13th.
- **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!!!
- **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)

We are deeply grateful for the many ways that you as a congregation have met the needs Bill and I have had following his recent surgery. Thank you for the prayers, cards, meals and gifts that have meant so much to us. We are encouraged by your expressions of love.

*Sincerely,
Marsha Glover*