

THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY		
	9:00 AM	Sunday School
	9:55 AM	Worship Service
	5:30 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal
	6:00 PM	Lessons & Carols Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Fall Sunday School Class: Alex Dupree, Walt Herrington, Brad Mills, and Ray Shores are leading a study from “History of Presbyterianism in America”.

Service of Lessons & Carols: Please join us tonight at 6:00 PM for a Christmas Service of Lessons & Carols. There will be a reception honoring our BPC choir director, Marsha Glover, our organist/pianist, Josh Peoples, and the BPC choir members immediately following the service. Please bring a dish ready to share to the kitchen before the service.

Adult Choir Schedule: No choir rehearsal on December 21st, 28th, or January 4th. The choir will not fill the choir loft on the 21st, 28th, or January 4th. They will be on Christmas break.

Candlelight Service: We hope you will join us for our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, Wednesday, December 24th at 6:00 PM. During this service we will take an offering for the PCA Geneva Relief Fund called look/after. It’s purpose is to look after retired pastors, widows, and other PCA church servants in need. Envelopes for this offering will be in your bulletin next Sunday morning.

2025 Giving: Any contributions you would like to have credited to your 2025 giving statement must be postmarked, given online, or delivered to the church before January 1, 2026. If you have any questions, please contact Luther via email: luther@brandonpres.com or (601) 209-0231.

2026 Flower Calendar: The 2026 Flower Calendar is available on the bulletin board. Please sign up for a date to provide altar flowers. Arrangements can be ordered from local florists and delivered to the church. Questions - please see Deanna Rush or Gray Ouzts.

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

Sunday School: Classes for 2 years - 6th grade meet each Sunday at 9:00 AM.

Wednesday Night (6:30-7:30 PM) Starting on January 14, 2026 the children (3 year olds - 6th) will be studying the catechism and participating in children’s choir.

SERVING SUNDAY

Bell Ringer: Keaton Hoge **Next Week:** Knox Shores

Nursery: Shannon Landrum (SS) Cecile Whitten (WS)/Amy Kaiser **Evening Service:** Carrie Mills, Amy Kaiser **Next Sunday:** Cortney Greer, Cecile Whitten (SS), Ashton Williamson, Ellie Word (WS) **Evening Service:** Savannah Brewer, Michelle Smith

December: All Coordinators **January:** Gray Ouzts

Children’s Church: Ginger Sasser, Cassie Warren **Next Week:** Savannah Brewer, Dee Dee Stowers

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday School: Jr. and Sr. High classes meet upstairs at 9:00 AM every Sunday.

Youth Fellowship: Youth Group will resume meeting on Wednesdays on January 14th at 6:30 PM, after dinner.

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Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 AM — 12:30 PM

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10 AM/6 PM):	Nov. 30 154/63
Live Views:	5/4
Total Online views:	26/26
Sunday School:	94
Last Week’s Offering:	\$ 6,701.00
Online Giving :	\$ 685.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$ 9,968.00
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$447,249.00 (-41,183.00)
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving:	\$488,432.00

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OFFICERS

Elders - Scotty Dickey, Thomas Eastland, Brad Mills, Jim Neill, Brian Smith, John Thompson, Nat Whitten

Deacons - Richard Bohnen, Alex Dupree, Chris Groebe, Ryan Lee, Eric Napier, Andrew Ouzts, Andrew Rush, Luther Stowers, Darrin Tolar, Matthew Warren

OFFICERS EMERITUS

Elders - Walt Herrington, Gary Morrison, Jackie Thompson

Deacons - John McInnis †, Richard Harrison

WOMEN’S MINISTRY

Leadership Team - Julie Huddleston, Kerri Matthews, Carrie Mills, Jeanne Monsour, Carole Morrison, Elizabeth Pinkerton, Mary Thompson

Flower Coordinators - Gray Ouzts & Deanna Rush

Wedding and Shower Coordinators - Jeanne Monsour & Ellie Word

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:

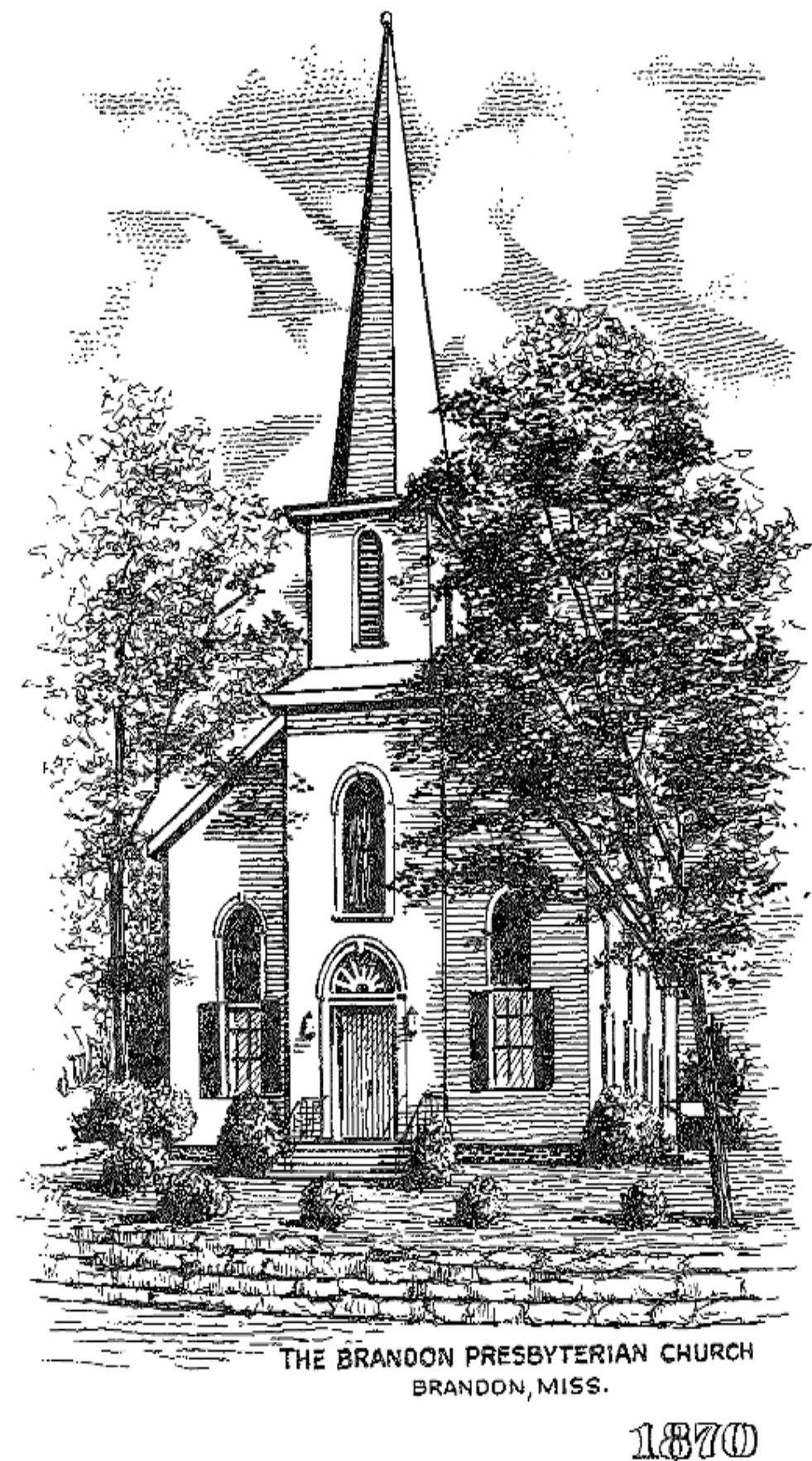
“For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved” Romans 10:13

Please fill out a visitor’s card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Mills at the end of the service. Let an usher or Pastor Mills know if you have any questions.

To livestream the service go to:

<https://www.youtube.com/@brandonpres39042>

Hit the “Subscribe” button and then turn on “Notifications” by clicking on the bell. If you have trouble subscribing to the livestream contact Darrin Tolar via text message at (601) 720-1157 and he will respond ASAP.



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

Morning Worship	
The Lord’s Day, December 14, 2025	
<i>During the prelude, please prepare your heart to worship our gracious, Almighty God together.</i>	
Meditation	R.T. FRANCE
The general truths of the Magnificat gain extra force when they are read as the amazed response of an insignificant girl whom God has chosen for an unimaginably important role in his plan of salvation.	
Welcome & Announcements	
Prelude	BPC CHILDREN
“Christmas Medley”	
Call to Worship *	PSALM 69:32-35
You who seek God, let your hearts revive. For the Lord hears the needy and does not despise his own people. Let heaven and earth praise him, the seas and everything that moves in them. God will save Zion and build up the cities of Judah.	
Invocation *	PSALM 69:13
Hymn of Praise *	N ^o . 208
“O Come, All Ye Faithful”	
Receiving New Members	BRAD MILLS
Confession of Sin	DAVID GIBSON
Gracious Lord, we confess our willingness to be loved but also our reluctance to love. We confess our readiness to accept your forgiving love but also our own refusal to forgive. We confess our eagerness to grasp your offer of redeeming love but also our resistance to following you without question. In this Advent time, forgive us our failure to respond as we should. Come to us anew by your Spirit, and by your grace help us to receive you with humble trust, as Mary; with joy, as John; with submission to you, as Elizabeth; with awe, as the shepherds; with gratitude, as Simeon; with love, as you have loved us. Even so, come Lord Jesus. Amen.	
Assurance of Pardon	ADAPTED FROM <i>LUKE</i> 1:50-54
God’s mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He exalts those of humble estate in remembrance of his mercy.	

Hymn of Praise *	N ^o . 229
“Gentle Mary Laid Her Child”	
Scripture Reading	PAGES 621-622
ISAIAH 62	
Pastoral Prayer	JOHN THOMPSON
God’s Tithes & Our Offerings	<i>ACTS</i> 20:35
In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’	
Offertory	ADULT CHOIR
“See Amid the Winter’s Snow”	
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 *	JOHN THOMPSON
Dismiss Children For Children’s Church (3 and 4 year olds)	
Reading of Holy Scripture	PAGE 856
Luke 1:39-56	
Sermon	BRAD MILLS
“Mary’s Magnificat”	
Hymn of Response *	N ^o . 207
“Good Christian Men, Rejoice ”	
Benediction	PSALM 67:1-2
May God be gracious to you and bless you and make his face to shine upon you, that his way may be known among all nations.	
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.	
* Congregation Standing	

Luke 1:39-56
³⁹ In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town in Judah, ⁴⁰ and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹ And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, ⁴² and she exclaimed with a loud cry, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! ⁴³ And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? ⁴⁴ For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵ And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord.”
⁴⁶ And Mary said,
<i>My soul magnifies the Lord,</i>
⁴⁷ <i>and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,</i>
⁴⁸ <i>for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant.</i>
<i>For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed;</i>
⁴⁹ <i>for he who is mighty has done great things for me,</i>
<i>and holy is his name.</i>
⁵⁰ <i>And his mercy is for those who fear him</i>
<i>from generation to generation.</i>
⁵¹ <i>He has shown strength with his arm;</i>
<i>he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts;</i>
⁵² <i>he has brought down the mighty from their thrones</i>
<i>and exalted those of humble estate;</i>
⁵³ <i>he has filled the hungry with good things,</i>
<i>and the rich he has sent away empty.</i>
⁵⁴ <i>He has helped his servant Israel,</i>
<i>in remembrance of his mercy,</i>
⁵⁵ <i>as he spoke to our fathers,</i>
<i>to Abraham and to his offspring forever.</i>
⁵⁶ And Mary remained with her about three months and returned to her home.