

THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY

9:00 AM Sunday School
 9:55 AM Worship Service
 11:15 AM Missions & Outreach Committee Meeting
 4:30 PM Deacons Meeting
 5:30 PM Men's Choir Rehearsal
 6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

TUESDAY

9:30 AM Women's Ministry Project Group

WEDNESDAY

6:00 PM Wednesday Night Fellowship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Spring Sunday School Class: We will return to our study of the Gospel of John, covering chapters 7-14. Brad Mills, Jim Neill, Scotty Dickey, and Thomas Eastland will rotate teaching subsequent passages each week.

WNF: is each Wednesday with supper from 5:30- 6:30 PM followed by children and youth activities and an adult study from 6:30-7:30 PM. Meals start at \$5 a person with a \$15 cap for families of three or more.

Communion: We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper this morning. Please prepare your heart to receive it.

Mother's Day Choir: Calling all men! Please plan on singing in the annual "Men's Choir" on Mother's Day. Our only rehearsal will be today, at 5:30 PM and will be a familiar tune to many of you. If you cannot make that rehearsal, there will be one other rehearsal after Sunday school on May 10th.

Mug & Muffin: will be Saturday, May 16th, from 8:30-10:30 AM. We hope you can drop by and enjoy food & fellowship with other ladies. Don't forget your mug and bring a treat if you like.

Recognizing Our BPC Graduates: Join us as we honor our Brandon Presbyterian graduates with a reception immediately following the morning service on Sunday, May 17th. Our graduates are Caitlin Mills, Jackson Smith, and Asher Tisbury.

Eli Jones Baby Shower: A baby shower for Eli (Whitten) Jones has been planned for Saturday, May 30th. Please see the invitation on the bulletin board outside of the fellowship hall for details.

Save the Date: GOD IS MY ROCK!" VBS, June 15th-19th from 9AM-Noon, grades K-6th. Sign ups for attendees and volunteers can be found on the Bulletin Board. Any help is welcome and needed. Please see Carrie if you have any questions.

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) The children (3 year olds - 6th) will continue participating in choir with Marsha and studying the Children's Catechism or Shorter Catechism with their teachers.

SERVING SUNDAY

Bell Ringer: Knox Shores **Next Week:** Nolan Blakeney
Nursery: Emily Lee (SS) Ginger Sasser (WS)/Amy Kaiser **Evening Service:** Carrie Mills, Nancilynn Dickey **Wednesday:** Tracity Shores, Davida Curtis **Next Sunday:** Melinda Neill (SS) Caitlin Mills (WS)/Amy Kaiser **Evening Service:**
Next Wednesday: Tracity Shores, Shannon Landrum
May: Gray Ouzts **June:** Molly Eastland
Children's Church: No Children's Church **Next Week:** Gunnar & Mollye Brown

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday School: Jr. and Sr. High classes meet upstairs at 9:00 AM every Sunday.
Youth Fellowship: Youth Group meets on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM.

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10 AM/6 PM): April 26 130/41
 Live Views: 16/11
 Total Online views: 50/65
 Sunday School: 70
 Last Week's Offering: \$ 3,438.00
 Online Giving : \$ 199.00
 Weekly Budgeted Offering: \$ 10,041.00
 Year-to-Date Giving: \$ 147,504.00 (-23,193.00)
 Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving: \$ 170,697.00

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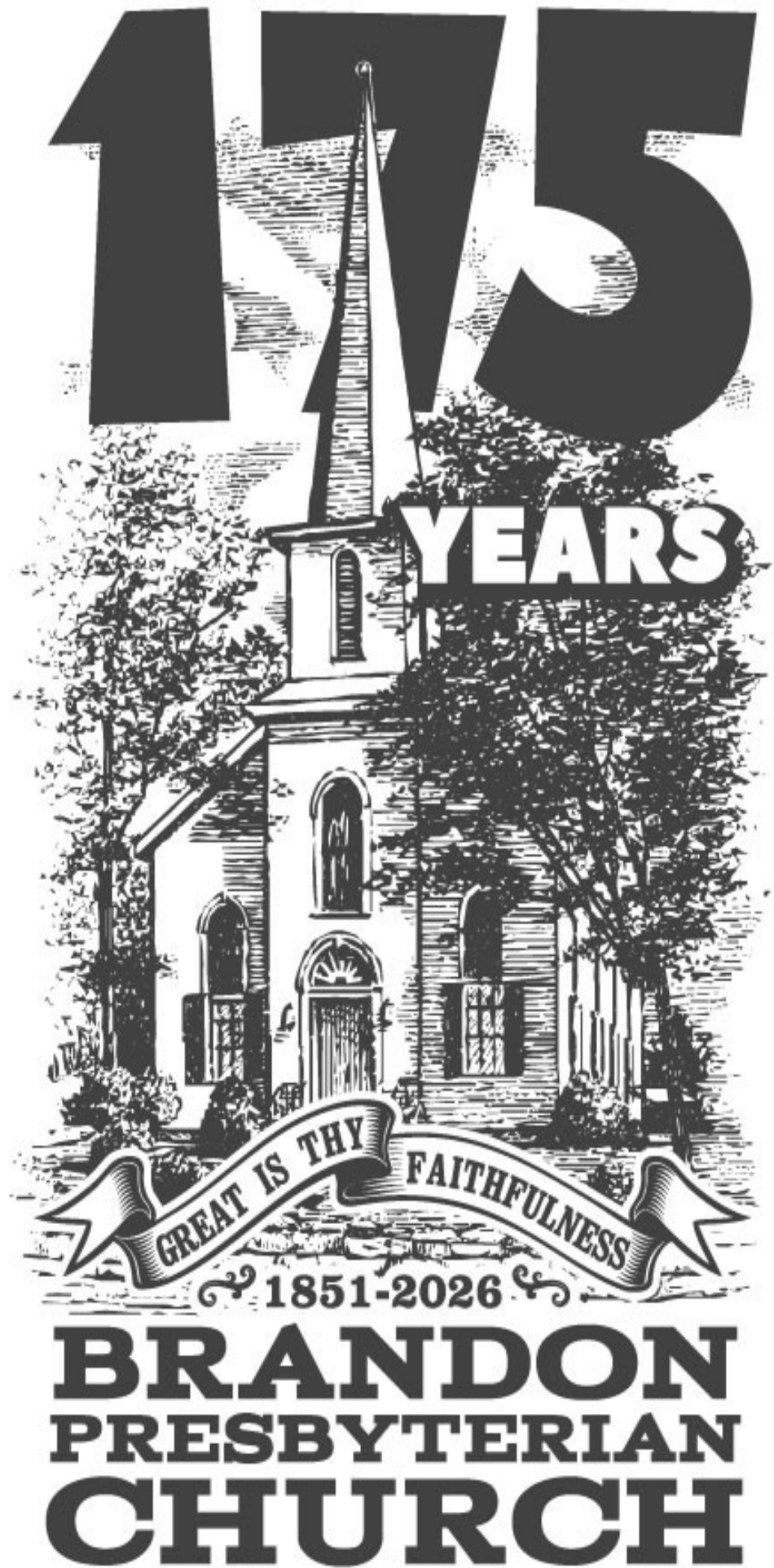
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To Our Visitors

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.

Livestream: <https://www.youtube.com/@brandonpres39042> Hit the "Subscribe" button and then turn on "Notifications" by clicking on the bell. For help contact Darrin Tolar via text message at (601) 720-115.



Morning Worship

The Lord’s Day, May 3, 2026

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

Meditation ARTHUR WALKINGTON PINK

The girdle of truth (corresponding to the military belt of the warrior) signifies, then, the mind being regulated by real sincerity; and this alone will protect us against Satan’s temptations unto slackness and guile and hypocrisy.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude JOSH PEOPLES, ORGANIST

Call to Worship HEBREWS 10:19, 22-23

Since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus...let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

Invocation * PSALM 145:18

Psalm of Praise * N^o. 311

"Hail to the Lord’s Anointed" (PSALM 72)

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.

* “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

Confession of Sin MARTIN LUTHER

O Father, receive again the thing which you have created. O Son, receive the thing which you have governed. O Holy Spirit, fetch the thing which you so bountifully have preserved. Three persons and one very God, I entreat you: remember not my offenses forever. For I cry, Lord God and Father, mercy. Lord God Son, mercy. Lord God Holy Spirit, mercy. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon GALATIANS 6:14-16

But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

Hymn of Praise * N^o. 146

“Break Thou the Bread of Life”

Pastoral Prayer RAY SHORES

Our Father, who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done; On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts; As we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

God’s Tithes & Our Offerings MATTHEW 6:2-4

When you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

Offertory JOSH PEOPLES

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 * RAY SHORES

Dismiss the Children for Children’s Church: (3 and 4 year olds)

Reading of Holy Scripture PAGE 979

Ephesians 6:14a

Sermon BRAD MILLS

“The Belt of Truth”

Hymn of Preparation * N^o. 254 (STANZAS 1-3)

"Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed ”

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper BRAD MILLS

Hymn of Response * N^o. 254 (STANZAS 4-5)

“Alas! and did My Savior Bleed”

Benediction 2 JOHN 1:3

Grace, mercy, and peace be with you, from God the Father and from Jesus Christ the Father’s Son, in truth and love.

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

Evening Worship

Meditation JAMES MONTGOMERY BOICE

These fifteen psalms (Psalms 120-134) seem to have been used by pilgrims who were making their way to Jerusalem for the three major annual feasts. Joseph and Mary would have sung these psalms as they made their way to the city with the young Jesus (see Luke 2:41), and Jesus would have sung them himself when he went up to Jerusalem with his disciples.

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Prelude JOSH PEOPLES, PIANIST

Call to Worship PSALM 134:1-2

Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, who stand by night in the house of the Lord! Lift up your hands to the holy place and bless the Lord!

Invocation * PSALM 3:4, 8

Psalm of Praise * N^o. 2

“O Worship the King” (PSALM 104)

Scripture Reading: PAGE 816

Revelation 7

Pastoral Prayer BRAD MILLS

Hymn of Praise * N^o. 642

“Be Thou My Vision”

Scripture Reading PAGE 519

Psalm 134

Sermon RAY SHORES

“Bless the Lord”

Psalm of Response * N^o. 400

“O Bless Our God with One Accord” (PSALM 134)

Benediction EZEKIEL 34:26, 28, 30

May the Lord make you a blessing and send down showers of blessing in their season; may you dwell securely, and may none make you afraid. May you know that the Lord your God is with you and that you are his people.

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