

<b>TODAY</b>	9:00 AM	Sunday School
	9:55 AM	Worship Service
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Night Fellowship
<b>SATURDAY</b>		
	9:30 AM	Eli Jones Baby Shower

**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.

**Adult Choir:** There will be no Adult Choir Rehearsal today.

**WNF:** We will meet each Wednesday through June 10<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Our Daily Bread:** The Summer issue is here and may be picked up in the café area.

**Time Capsule:** Our 175th Anniversary Time Capsule will be sealed June 2, 2026, and the contents will be read on our 200th anniversary, Lord willing. If you missed the opportunity to add a little wisdom to our historical archive, forms will be available in the café area this morning, and next Sunday morning, May 31<sup>st</sup>. During the week forms will be available in the church office. Please participate if you haven't done so.

**Eli Jones Baby Shower:** A baby shower for Eli (Whitten) Jones has been planned for this Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-11:30 AM. She is registered at Babylist.com.

**Save the Date:** GOD IS MY ROCK!" VBS, June 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> 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.

**"Bloom Where You Are Planted"** Our next ladies' gathering will take place on Friday, June 26, at 6pm! The signup sheet for "Bloom Where You Are Planted" and additional information will be coming soon.

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

**Sunday School: Classes for 2 years - 6<sup>th</sup> 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:** Sarah Costello      **Next Week:** Steele Stanford  
**Nursery:** John Thompson (SS) Molly Eastland (WS)/Amy Kaiser      **Evening Service:** Brad Mills, Rebecca Thompson      **Wednesday:** Tracity Shores, Rebecca Thompson      **Next Sunday:** Gray Ouzts, (SS) Scotty Dickey, (WS)  
**Evening Service:** Carrie Mills, Rebecca Thompson      **Next Wednesday:** Tracity Shores, Davida Curtis  
**Children's Church:** Carrie Mills, Ashton Williamson      **Next Week:** Jim & Melinda Neill

**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): May 17	130/28
Live Views:	4/7
Total Online views:	45/25
Sunday School:	90
Last Week's Offering:	\$ 6,948.00
Online Giving :	\$ 1,370.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$ 10,041.00
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$ 179,303.00 (-21,517.00)
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving:	\$ 200,820.00

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**COMMITTEES**

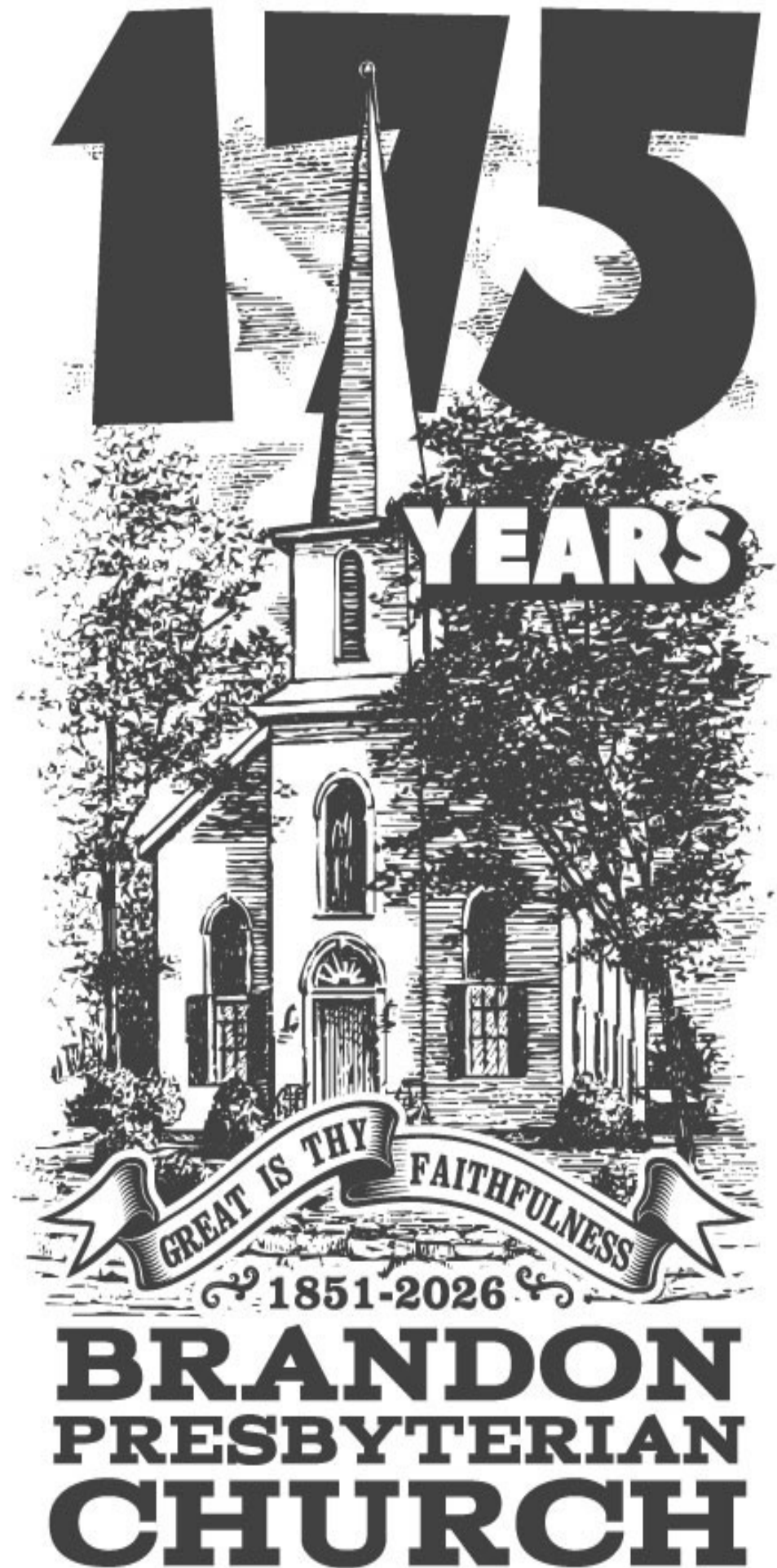
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The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God .

**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.

**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 24, 2026

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

Meditation JOEL BEEKE

When Satan tries to set us aflame with lust, anger, anxiety, and doubt, let us lift up the shield of faith and remember who our God is for us in Jesus Christ.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude JOSH PEOPLES, ORGANIST

"Oh, How He Loves You and Me" - Kurt Kaiser

Call to Worship PSALM 28:7

The Lord is your strength and your shield; in him let your heart trust, in him let your heart exult, to him give thanks with your song.

Invocation \* PSALM 33:20-22

Hymn of Praise \* N<sup>o</sup>. 38

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

Scripture Reading PAGES 755-756

Hosea 9

Confession of Sin ZACHARIAS URSINUS

I, a poor sinner, confess before you, my God and Creator, that I have sinned gravely and in various ways against you, not only with outward gross sins, but much more with internal, innate blindness, unbelief, doubts, faintheartedness, impatience, pride, evil, greed, secret envy, hatred and jealousy, as well as other evil emotions. You, my Lord and God, recognize this in me very well, but sadly I cannot recognize them sufficiently. I feel sorrow and regret for them and wholeheartedly desire grace through your dear Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon HEBREWS 4:15-16

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hymn of Praise \* N<sup>o</sup>. 173

“Praise Him! Praise Him!”

Pastoral Prayer BRIAN SMITH

God’s Tithes & Our Offerings 2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-8

Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.

Offertory JOSH PEOPLES

"The Lord's Prayer" - Albert Hay Malotte

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 \* BRIAN SMITH

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

Reading of Holy Scripture PAGE 979

Ephesians 6:16

Sermon BRAD MILLS

“The Shield of Faith”

Hymn of Response \* N<sup>o</sup>. 580

“Lead on, O Kind Eternal”

Benediction JUDE 1:20-21

May the Lord build up your most holy faith and prayer, in the love of God, as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life.

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 LUKE 1:36-37

And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. ***For nothing will be impossible with God.***

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude JOSH PEOPLES, PIANIST

Call to Worship PSALM 96:1-4A

Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples! For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised!

Invocation \* PSALM 96

Psalm of Praise \* N<sup>o</sup>. 510 (THE SING! HYMNAL)

“Lifter of My Head” (PSALM 3)

Scripture Reading PAGES 817-818

Matthew 12:22-50

Pastoral Prayer RAY SHORES

Hymn of Praise \* N<sup>o</sup>. 404 (THE SING! HYMNAL)

“’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

Scripture Reading PAGE 12

Genesis 18:1-19

Sermon RAY SHORES

“Hard to Believe”

Hymn of Response \* N<sup>o</sup>. 157 (THE SING! HYMNAL)

“By Faith”

Benediction ROMANS 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

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