

## BRENTHAVEN CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*A welcoming community of Christian disciples seeking to  
love and serve God and neighbor*

January 7, 2024 ☩ 10:45 am



And it could be that the sound of God's voice in Jesus' ear telling him who he was, and that he was uniquely loved and pleasing to God --- it could be that was enough to get him moving in the right direction. Perhaps it would be the same for all of us. For while none of us are Jesus, we are, of course, all of us still God's children. Each one uniquely loved. And yes, God is pleased with us as well as we bend ourselves to God's will: seeking as Jesus did to be hands of healing and hope for a hurting world. -- Rev. Dr. Janet H. Hunt

### Gathering

\* Hymn, No. 449                      *Baptized in Water*                      BUNESSAN

\* Bringing in the Light of Christ

Welcome and Prayer Concerns

Call to Worship      *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*      arr. by James Kosnik

Time of Quiet Prayer and Prayer of Blessing

Offertory                                      *Sarabande*                                      Carl Bohm

\* Response, No. 706              *Praise God from Whom All Blessings*              OLD HUNDREDTH

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Lord's Prayer (*using "sins" & "those who sin against us"*)

**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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Communion (*Please come forward to be served. After being served, you have an opportunity to touch the water as you remember your baptism.*)

Prayer after Communion

### Sending

\* Hymn, No. 504                      *I Am Thine, O Lord*                      I AM THINE

\* Charge and Benediction

\* Response                      *May the Grace of Our Lord Jesus*                      Choir

\* Extinguishing the Candles, taking forth the Light of Christ

\* Postlude                      *Wonderful Words of Life*                      arr. by Lloyd Larson

*\* Congregation will please stand*

**Bold** *Congregation will please respond*

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Hymn, No. 235

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God* (vs. 1)

TRENTHAM

Confession

To a world of brokenness, God speaks of healing. To a time of confusion, God tells of that future grounded in love. To a people longing for redemption, God comes to bring us home. Let us confess how we have not heard God speaking to us.

**God of Spirit and fire: baptized, we have not done a god job as your people. We are drawn to the shadows of sin, hoping you will not see our foolishness. We fall into the arms of temptation, letting it spin us until we are out of control. We selfishly cling to your hope and grace, convinced that others will misuse these gifts. Forgive us, O God. Touch us with your Spirit, so we may be restored to new life; touch us with your grace, so we may offer forgiveness to all people; touch us with your peace, so we might be healers to our world. This we pray in the name of the One who went into the waters of baptism to cleanse us of sin, Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

*Time for Silent Confession*

We expect the fire of judgment, but are given the Spirit of grace; we expect God to yell at us, but we are called by a new name; we expect God to stay angry, but we are handed the dove of peace. **This is the good news for us! Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\* Response, No. 705

*Glory Be to the Father*

GREATOREX

**Proclaiming**

Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

*Genesis 1:1-5* (pg. 1, Pew Bible)

Second Reading

*Acts 19:1-7* (pg. 1012, Pew Bible)

Special Music

*O Love, How Deep, How Broad*

PUER NOBIS

Sandra Shepherd, *Soloist*

O Love, how deep, how broad, how high, how passing thought and fantasy: that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake. For us baptized, for us he bore his holy fast and hungered sore; for us temptations sharp he knew, for us the tempter overthrew. For us he prayed, for us he taught, for us his daily works he wrought, by words and signs and actions, thus still seeking not himself, but us. For us to evil power betrayed, scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed, he bore the shameful cross and death, for us gave up his dying breath. For us he rose from death again; for us he went on high to reign; for us he sent his Spirit here to guide, to comfort, and to cheer. All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad- the Trinity whom we adore forever and forevermore.

Gospel

*Mark 1:4-11* (pg. 910, Pew Bible)

Sermon

*Marked for What?*

Rev. Kip J. Rush

Invitation to Discipleship

\* Hymn, No. 450

*With Water Freely Flowing*

MERLE'S TUNE

\* Affirmation of Faith

*from Colossians 1:15-20*

**Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him.**

**He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.**

**For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.**

**Responding**

Silent Prayers and Prayer of Intercession

Offertory Sentence

## JANUARY 7, 2024

10:45 am Worship Service

*Nursery/Wee Worship Care: Betsy Canupp & Cayton Park-Coburn*

Our next **CPWM** meeting is **Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>** at 10:30 am in the fellowship hall. We will be working on a project to help young women in third-world countries. If you would like to help with donations for this project, you can bring old towels to the church and place them in the CPWM bin in the narthex. We will accept donations through Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>.

Happy New Year to all! And thank you to all of our fall hostesses for their work to get their **women's small groups** together. We are beginning plans to set groups and hostesses for our winter lunch. If you would be available to host, please text Jeri Behan at 615-604-8015. Please see the newsletter for more details.

The **DMT** needs your help! We need donations of clean egg cartons. Please bring them to the church office and place them in the bin marked *DMT donations*. Thank you!

As this new year begins, please be in prayerful consideration as to what you can do to assist on Sundays for worship. We still need lectors, ushers, greeters, communion stewards, acolytes, and maybe even some nursery workers. We want everyone to feel included at Brenthaven!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>SUN., JAN. 7</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	Sunday School
	<b>10:45 AM</b>	Worship Service
	<b>12:00 PM</b>	DMT Meeting ( <i>Adult Library</i> )
	<b>5:00 PM</b>	Youth ROCKS Service Project
<b>MON., JAN. 8</b>	<b>11 AM–4 PM</b>	Blood Drive ( <i>Fellowship Hall</i> )
<b>TUES., JAN. 9</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>	Bridge Group ( <i>Youth Classroom</i> )
	<b>6:30 PM</b>	Session
<b>WED., JAN. 10</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>	Choir Rehearsal ( <i>Choir Room</i> )
<b>THURS., JAN. 11</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>	Creative Crafts ( <i>Adult Library</i> )
<b>JAN. 12–15</b>		<b>MLK Youth Retreat</b>
<b>SUN., JAN. 14</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	Sunday School
	<b>10:45 AM</b>	Worship Service
	<b>4–6 PM</b>	KOK New Year Party ( <i>Children's Wing</i> )

## PRAYER CONCERNS

### Recent Additions

Walter McBee, Jr. (*son of Walter McBee, Sr.*)  
Stan Wooten

### Members

Charles & Gladys Belew, Joan Bledsoe, Bill Blewett, Phyllis Burkhalter, Ben Davis, Jane Dowden, Larry Ennenga, Marilyn Ewen, Ollie Faircloth, Fred Ford, Sr., Barbara Gentry, Paul Gonzales, Madge Graves, Tommy Hennesy, Linda Lipe, Barbara Loyall, Dawn & Walter McBee, Wylene Nix, Jack C. Phillips, Jodi Rush, Guy Sneed, Don Tabor, Cheryl Tabor, Julie Travis

### Family and Friends

Pat Allen (*mother of Greg T. Allen*), Abby Bailey and Family (*friend of Jane Dowden*), Merritt Brakebill (*brother-in-law of Joe Malloy*), Becky Brown (*friend of Becky Jones*), Michelle Burke (*daughter of Joyce Burch*), Mary Ruth Campbell (*step-mother of Barry & Darryl Campbell*), Betty Canupp (*mother of Betsy Canupp*), John Copeland (*nephew of Martha Stewart*), Steve Crawford (*friend of Carol Perryman*), Mac Crome (*cousin of Miah Faircloth*), Johnny Cunningham (*friend of Ford family*), Kevin Floyd (*son of Treva Floyd*), Seth Genes (*friend of the McCulleys*), Ann Ghianni (*sister-in-law of Tim Ghianni*), Shirley Jansma, Patti Jobe (*sister-in-law of Renee McCulley*), Doug Johnson (*friend of Shali & Frank Scott*), Rex Lineberry (*brother of Pat Chesnut*), Sue McClelland (*mother of Rachel Campbell*), Martha Malloy (*mother of Joe Malloy*), Bettie Mason (*friend of Barbara Dial*), Lukas Miscaie (*friend of Deborah Rolman*), Sherry Norton (*friend of Deborah Deaton*), Ayden Orr (*friend of Ollie, Baird and Miah Faircloth*), Yvonne Reid (*aunt of Liz Strickland*), Elwanda Roberts (*cousin of Cheryl Morris*), Raymond Roman (*friend of Amity Marsh*), Rev. Teresa Shauf (*CP Minister*), Brittany Spradling, Judy Smith (*friend of Janiece Redmon*), Jim Summitt (*uncle of Blair Summitt*), James Talley, Garry Todd (*friend of Barbara Dial and others*), Bill Turner (*brother-in-law of Cheryl Tabor*), Wilma Wade (*sister of Kaye Holland*), Philip & Isabel Ward (*parents of Heather McDonald*), Hayden White (*friend of Becky Jones*), Iza Wojcik family and father John Kavouklis (*friends of Liz Strickland*), Sacred Sparks Ministry & St Luke Church, those serving our country

