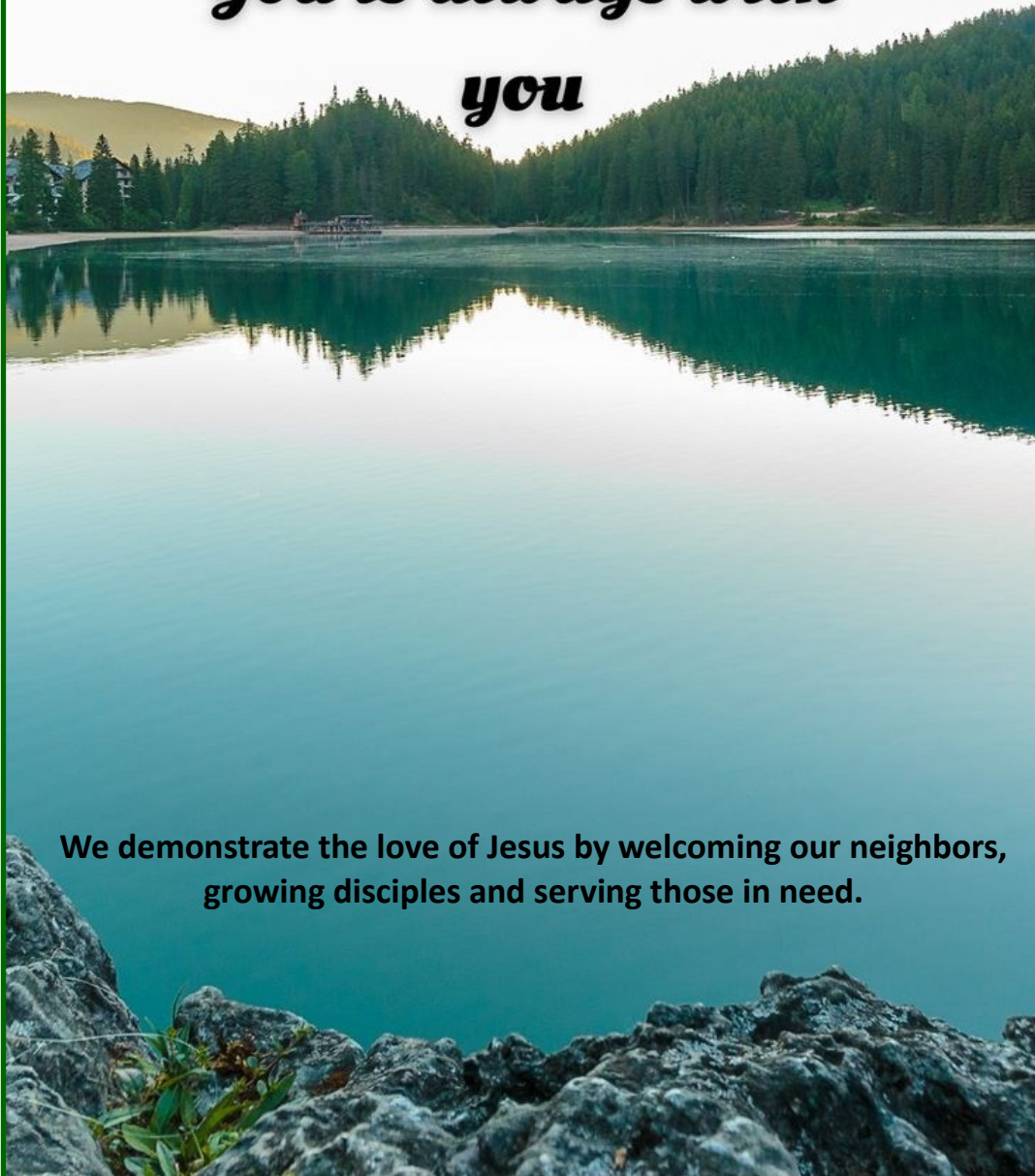


Brainerd CHURCH

A United Methodist Congregation



***God is always with
you***



**We demonstrate the love of Jesus by welcoming our neighbors,
growing disciples and serving those in need.**

SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

4315 Brainerd Road, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37411
Phone: 423.698.6951 • www.brainerdumc.org

Worship at 10:00 a.m.

Please turn down the volume of your cell phone and other electronic devices.

Welcome and Invocation

Liturgist and Congregation

Good Morning.

We gather this morning before the One who has created and sustained us. Let us join in our worship, let us join together in prayer:

Holy God, Your love and grace are all sufficient. We come with thanksgiving and praise. Create within us a spirit that draws us closer to You and to our sisters and brothers in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Prelude

Call to Worship - Adapted from Psalm 25

Liturgist and Congregation

L: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

P: O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame.

L: Glory in God's holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

P: Seek the LORD and his strength; seek God's presence continually.

L: Remember the wonderful works God has done, the miracles, and the judgments God uttered,

P: Remember, O offspring of his servant, his chosen ones.

*Opening Hymn 130

God Will Take Care of You

MARTIN

*Affirmation of Faith 881

Apostles' Creed

Liturgist and Congregation

*Gloria Patri 70

Glory Be to the Father

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Call to Prayer TFWS 2086

Open Our Eyes

OPEN OUR EYES

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Offertory Anthem

Go Ye Into All the World

Eugene Butler

*Doxology 95

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD 100th

*Hymn 397

I Need Thee Every Hour

NEED

Scripture

Genesis 39:1-23

Liturgist

Message

"God's Presence"

Rev. Sam Ward

*Hymn 328

Surely the Presence of the Lord

WOLFE

Benediction

Postlude

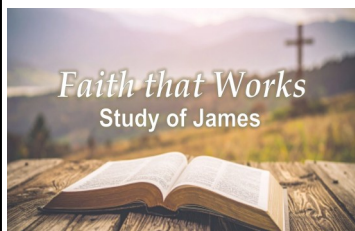
(Please remain seated during the Postlude and reflect on God's presence during the morning's worship.)

*** Please stand as you are able.**

We welcome you to Brainerd United Methodist Church. If you are interested in learning more about the church or in joining, please visit us at www.brainerdumc.org.

Communion Assistants Wanted!

If you are willing to assist Pastor Sam serve Communion please sign the “sign-up” sheet on the desk in the atrium.



Faith that Works
Study of James

Debates rage on about which is more important in the Christian life - faith or works. Sam is facilitating a

study class that will use the book of James to answer this great question and hopefully lead us to a ***faith that works*** for the glory of God. This study meets at **10:30 a.m. each Monday** in the Wesley Conference Room. We hope you will join us for a great time of discussion and prayer.



Join us each Thursday at 12 noon in the Wesley Conference Room for a time of prayer, fellowship, and discussion on the Holy Bible. Whether you're a lifetime learner, or new to faith and study, you are welcome to be a part of this conversation.

Church Leadership Council Meeting

Join Us On:
SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 27
11:30 A.M.
Immediately following the morning service.

Location: Fellowship Hall

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Your faithful presence and input are invaluable as we serve our community.

Join Us for a
church family
LUNCH
Sunday, October 4
11:30 - 1:00

The Ministry Team is once again partnering with Barger Elementary for back-to-school needs. We are collecting money to go toward their hygiene and basic clothing closet. The money collected from the congregation will be used for shampoo, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, body wash, underwear, socks, and tennis shoes for all ages. There will be a collection basket in the atrium **through September** or you can write a check to BUMC, designated for “Ministry Team project.”

Thank you for your support!

Starr Gentry

B U M C W E E K L Y E V E N T S

Sunday, September 27

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Fellowship, **Atrium**
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship, **Sanctuary and Online**
- 11:15 a.m. Sunday School, **Classrooms**
- 11:30 a.m. Church Leadership Council Meeting, Fellowship Hall**
- 4:00 p.m. Baulding Elite Basketball, **Gym**
- 6:00 p.m. Scenic City Sax Society, **Choir Suite**

Monday, September 28

- 10:00 a.m. Sisters Bible Study Group, **McFerrin Chapel**
- 10:30 a.m. Bible Study, **Wesley Conference Room**
- 2:00 p.m. Pickleball for All, **Gym**
- 7:00 p.m. Sheril Volleyball, **Gym**

Tuesday, September 29

- 10:00 a.m. Scenic City Chorale, **Choir Suite**

Wednesday, September 30

- 2:00 p.m. Pickleball for All, **Gym**
- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, **Choir Suite**
- 6:00 p.m. Barry Volleyball, **Gym**

Thursday, October 1

- 12:00 p.m. Bible Study, **Wesley Conf. Room**
- 2:00 p.m. Pickleball for All, **Gym**
- 3:00 p.m. AGO Board Meeting, **Truman Brooks Room**
- 7:00 p.m. Senior Olympic Volleyball, **Gym**

Friday, October 2

- 12:00 p.m. Organ Practice, **Sanctuary**
- 6:30 p.m. Trevor Co-Ed Volleyball, **Gym**

Saturday, October 3

- 9:00 a.m. KBTOC Birdie Team, **Gym**
- 2:00 p.m. Bijil Volleyball, **Gym**

Sunday, October 4 Regular Sunday Schedule plus

- 11:30 a.m. Church Lunch, Fellowship Hall**

The Women's Fellowship Group

The Women's Fellowship Group, will meet @ 11:30, Tuesday, **October 6**, at Molcajete Mexican Restaurant, 6231 Perimeter Dr. Suit 127 (near the Sportsman Warehouse, behind McDonald's). This Fellowship Group is open to all women in the church.

