

# **Brainerd Presbyterian Church, EPC**

## **Order of Worship for November 16, 2025**

Welcome & Announcements

*\*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee – No. 1 (Verses 1,3,4)*

\*Call to Worship Psalm 95:1-3;6-7

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

**For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**

*\*Prayer of Adoration*

Prayer for Our New BPC Pastor

**Thank you, Lord, for opening and preparing our hearts to receive Your Pastor.**

**Thank you, Lord, for sending us a humble and inspirational shepherd.**

**Thank you, Lord, for sending us the pastor You have chosen to lead BPC.**

**Thank you, Lord, for directing the search team to have faith and “know” in our hearts  
Your Divine choice for BPC.**

Statement of Faith *Apostles’ Creed - No. 716*

**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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hades; 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 Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*\*What a Friend We Have in Jesus - No. 435*

Prayer of Praise, for the People and Confession of Sin

*(A moment for reflection and silent prayers of confession)*

*Special Music*      *Wonderful, Merciful Savior*

(Children ages K-3rd grade are dismissed for Children’s Sermon)

**Scripture:**            *John 15:1-11 (ESV)*

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. <sup>2</sup> Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup> Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup> I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup> If anyone does not abide in me, he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup> By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. <sup>9</sup> As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup> These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

Pastor:            This is the Word of the Lord.

Response:       **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon Title:**        “The Joyful Christian”

1. Joy from Yielding to God the Gardener
  
2. Joy from Bearing Fruit
  
3. Joy from Saying “Yes” to his loving commands

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*\*Rejoice, the Lord Is King! - No. 228 (Verses 1,3,4)*

*\*Offering*

*\*The Doxology - No. 625*

*\*Benediction*

*Postlude*

*\*Please stand as able.*

**Rev. Mason Leaf, Guest Pastor**

**Olivia Jo, Guest Pianist / Susan Burns, Soloist**

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