Brainerd Presbyterian Church, EPC Order of Worship for November 23, 2025

Welcome & Announcements

*For the Beauty of the Earth - No. 560 (Verses 1,3,4,5)

*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.

*We Gather Together - No. 561

Prayer of Praise, for the People and Confession of Sin

(A moment for reflection and silent prayers of confession)

Special Music

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

Scripture: Romans 8:31, Psalm 124 (ESV)

Romans 8:31 What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

Psalm 124 If it had not been the LORD who was on our side - let Israel now say - ² if it had not been the LORD who was on our side when people rose up against us, ³ then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their anger was kindled against us; ⁴ then the flood would have swept us away, the torrent would have gone over us; ⁵ then over us would have gone the raging waters. ⁶ Blessed be the LORD, who has not given us as prey to their teeth! ⁷ We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers; the snare is broken, and we have escaped! ⁸ Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Title: "Close Calls, Tight Spots, & Narrow Escapes"

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Now Thank We All Our God - No. 556

*Offering

*The Doxology - No. 625

*Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand as able.