

Brainerd Presbyterian Church, EPC

Order of Worship for September 21, 2025

Welcome & Announcements

**Because He Lives - No. 213*

*Call to Worship

This is the day that the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Forgiveness is found in Jesus Christ.

Jesus is the Savior and Lord.

Let us magnify God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Let us exalt God's name together!

**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.

**Holy, Holy, Holy - No. 262*

Prayer of Praise, for the People and Confession of Sin

(A moment for reflection and silent prayers of confession)

Special Music O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

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

Scripture: *Matthew 10:24-33 (ESV)*

“A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵ It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household. ²⁶ “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷ What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸ And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny?^[d] And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰ But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹ Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³² So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³ but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Title: “Living with Courage in a Volatile World”

- Our deepest longings; our greatest fears
- Cultivating Clarity in a World of Darkness
- Cultivating Confidence for a World of Paranoia
- Cultivating Acceptance for a World of Contempt
- The End of the Matter

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Sweet, Sweet Spirit - No. 252*

**Offering*

**The Doxology - No. 625*

**Benediction*

Postlude

**Please stand as able.*

Rev. Grady Davidson, Guest Pastor

Lea Betts, Guest Pianist / Leigh Betts, Soloists

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