



Brookwood
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, August 11, 2024

BROOKWOOD WORSHIP

We will be formed in Christ to love like family and live on mission.

Prelude

Church in the Wildwood / Do Lord / I Saw the Light

William S. Pitts / African-American Spiritual / Hank Williams

Welcome / Ministry Highlights / Prayer

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Blessing of the Backpacks

Student Ministers

Larry: These students stand here ready to receive your blessings, O God. We pray they will commit themselves to studying and learning in the school year ahead. We ask your blessing and protection on each of them. May they be reminded of the love and care of this congregation.

Congregation: Gracious God, we lift to you today, these students.

Mason: These teachers stand here ready to receive your blessings, O God. We pray their teaching will be effective and their classrooms will be places filled with an excitement to learn. May they be reminded this congregation embraces their call to teaching and learning.

Congregation: Gracious God, we lift to you today, these teachers.

Sylvia: These administrators and support personnel stand here ready to receive your blessings, O God. We pray they will provide support to both teachers and students. We ask you guide them in decision making and give them strength to do what is best for those who work alongside them each day. May they be reminded this congregation embraces their call to leadership and student support.

Congregation: Gracious God, we lift to you today, these administrators and support personnel.

Mason: For the families who send their children off to school, we pray they can balance the demands of school and the needs of their families as well. May they be reminded this congregation embraces the value of family and will be praying for their homes to be places where Christ is the center and can then go into the world representing Him.

Congregation: Gracious God, we lift to you today, these families. Amen.

Songs of Praise ***Leaning On the Everlasting Arms / Tis So Sweet***

Arr. David Crowder

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Arr. Indelible Grace Music

Scripture Reading

Revelation 4:1-11

Hazel Serota

NIV

4 After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this." **2** At once I was in the Spirit, and there before me was a throne in heaven with someone sitting on it. **3** And the one who sat there had the appearance of jasper and ruby. A rainbow that shone like an emerald encircled the throne. **4** Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and seated on them were twenty-four elders. They were dressed in white and had crowns of gold on their heads. **5** From the throne came flashes of lightning, rumblings and peals of thunder. In front of the throne, seven lamps were blazing. These are the seven spirits of God. **6** Also in front of the throne there was what looked like a sea of glass, clear as crystal.

In the center, around the throne, were four living creatures, and they were covered with eyes, in front and in back.⁷ The first living creature was like a lion, the second was like an ox, the third had a face like a man, the fourth was like a flying eagle. ⁸ Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under its wings. Day and night they never stop saying:

“Holy, holy, holy
is the Lord God Almighty,
who was, and is, and is to come.”

⁹ Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever, ¹⁰ the twenty-four elders fall down before him who sits on the throne and worship him who lives for ever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say:

¹¹ “You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honor and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they were created
and have their being.”

One: This is the Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

Worship through Tithes & Offerings

This World is Not My Home / Walking in Jerusalem / I'll Fly Away

Arr. Jim Reeves / Arr. Bill Monroe / Albert Brumley

Sermon

“Forever Worship”

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Song of Response

Revelation Song

Words and Music by Jennie Lee Riddle

Benediction

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Postlude

Nothing But the Blood

Words and Music by Robert Lowry

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Upcoming Events

Men's Wednesday Night Bible Study

Every Wednesday from

5:30pm-6:30pm

In Room C262

Meeting of Team/Committee Chairs & Co-Chairs

Sunday, August 18th

Immediately following worship service

In the Chapel

The Gathering (Sunday Lunch)

Sunday, August 18th

Immediately following worship service

In the Fellowship Hall

Weekend to Remember Marriage Conference

Friday, September 14th – Sunday,

September 15th

Chattanooga Convention Center

Chattanooga, TN



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