



**Brookwood**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, December 22, 2024



# BROOKWOOD WORSHIP

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

## 4th Sunday of Advent

Welcome / Invocation

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Prelude

***Bring a Torch, Jeannette Isabella***

Samantha Carter, Lily and Elizabeth Coleman

***Angels We Have Heard on High / Away in a Manger***

Brookwood Strings Children

Praise & Worship

***Sing We the Song of Emmanuel***

Words and Music by Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, Stuart Townend, Keith Getty

***Angels We Have Heard on High***

Traditional French Carol

***Jesus, Oh, What a Wonderful Child***

Brookwood Singers

Arr. Lloyd Larson

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

**Love**

Advent Scripture Reading

**Luke 1:46-55**

Kathy Brown, Millie Osborn, Jane Cole

NIV

***Mary's Song***

<sup>46</sup> And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord

<sup>47</sup> and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

<sup>48</sup> for he has been mindful

of the humble state of his servant.

From now on all generations will call me

blessed,

<sup>49</sup> for the Mighty One has done great

things for me—

holy is his name.

<sup>50</sup> His mercy extends to those who fear him,

from generation to generation.  
<sup>51</sup> He has performed mighty deeds with his arm;  
he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts.  
<sup>52</sup> He has brought down rulers from their thrones

but has lifted up the humble.  
<sup>53</sup> He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty.  
<sup>54</sup> He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful  
<sup>55</sup> to Abraham and his descendants forever, just as he promised our ancestors.

### Advent Wreath Prayer

*Dear Jesus, may the light of your love always shine in our hearts. As Christmas draws closer, we marvel at your great love for us. Let your love transform every aspect of our lives and touch everyone we encounter. Our hearts are open to you, Jesus. Amen.*

Worship through Tithes & Offerings

#### ***In Dulci Jubilo***

Arr. Anna Laura Page

Handbell Choir

Sermon

#### **Advent**

The Path of Love

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Song of Response

#### ***What Child is This?***

Words: William Dix / Traditional English Melody

Choral Benediction

#### ***The Work of Christmas***

Arr. Dan Forrest

Brookwood Singers

When the song of the angels is stilled, When the star in the sky is gone,  
When the kings and princes are home, When the shepherds are back with their flock,  
The work of Christmas begins:  
To find the lost, to heal the broken, to feed the hungry, to release the prisoner,  
To rebuild the nations, to bring peace among others, to make music in the heart.

Howard Thurman

Postlude

#### ***Ding Dong! Merrily on High***

Arr. Mark Hayes

Melinda Dressler

The rosebud is in celebration of the birth of Eloise Ann Perrie Smith, "Elsie". Elsie is welcomed by her parents, Mary Ann and Daniel Smith and proud big sister, Heidi.

## Upcoming Events

### **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service & Communion**

Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

3 pm & 5 pm

In the Sanctuary

### **Women's Retreat**

Save the Date

Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup> – Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>

### **Men's Conference**

Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup> – Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>

More information to come.

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