

Sunday, January 5, 2025

BROOKWOOD WORSHIP

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

Prelude

Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Samantha Carter

Arr. Rebecca Bonam

Welcome / Ministry Highlights

Prayer for the New Year

I am no longer my own, but yours. Put me to what you will, rank me with whom you will; Put me to doing, put me to suffering; Let me be employed for you, or laid aside for you, Exalted for you, or brought low for you; Let me be full, Let me be empty, Let me have all things, Let me have nothing: I freely and wholeheartedly yield all things to your pleasure and disposal. And now, glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, You are mine and I am yours. So be it. And the covenant now made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

A Methodist Covenant prayer by John Wesley, spoken at the beginning of every year. It is a liturgy of consecration.

Songs of Praise

Thanks and Praise

Words and Music by Chloe Edmonds, Jonny Riggs and Lucy Grimble

Joy to the World

Words and Music by Isaac Watts and G. F. Handel

Keith McLeod

Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 18:15-22

NIV

¹⁵ The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your fellow Israelites. You must listen to him. ¹⁶ For this is what you asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said, "Let us not hear the voice of the Lord our God nor see this great fire anymore, or we will die."

¹⁷ The Lord said to me: "What they say is good. ¹⁸ I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites, and I will put my words in his mouth. He will tell them everything I command him. ¹⁹ I myself will call to account anyone who does not listen to my words that the prophet speaks in my name. ²⁰ But a prophet who presumes to speak in my name anything I have not commanded, or a prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, is to be put to death."

²¹You may say to yourselves, "How can we know when a message has not been spoken by the Lord?" ²² If what a prophet proclaims in the name of the Lord does not take place or come true, that is a message the Lord has not spoken. That prophet has spoken presumptuously, so do not be alarmed.

2 Peter 1:20-21

NIV

²⁰ Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation of things. ²¹ For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

One: This is the Word of the Lord **All: Thanks be to God**

Worship through Tithes & Offerings

Gloria

Gloria Patri / Music: Fernando Ortega

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Prayer of Confession

The Gift of Time

O God, you are slow to anger and swift to have mercy; Forgive us when we treat time as a commodity or an enemy, when we abuse your gift of time. In our fastness and our slowness, help us to keep pace with you. Free us to live in your time, a new time, in which there is a time for everything under heaven, and slow is not too slow, and fast is not too fast. Transform us into people who see time as a gift and a friend, who live as if we have time, because we know that your time will never cease. Through Jesus we pray, Amen.

A prayer of confession written by Anna from Grace Church, an alternative worship community in Ealing, London.

Sermon

Let's Talk About a Prophet

Larry McCutcheon

Hymn of Response

By Faith

Words and Music by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, and Stuart Townend

Benediction

Larry McCutcheon

Melinda Dressler

Postlude

The Heavens Declare the Glory of God

Benedetto Marcello

Today's flower arrangement is given in loving memory of Bill Scott by Ginny Scott.

The pink ribboned rosebud is in celebration of Virginia Marie Cleveland's birth on December 28th. Her parents are Mattie and Michael Cleveland, and her proud brothers are Hudson and John Charles.

The blue ribboned rosebud is in honor of Charles Willett Wilson's birth on December 31st. His parents are Caroline and Drew Wilson, and his proud siblings are Robert and Virginia.

Upcoming Events

Divorce Care Ministry

Starts today, January 5th

4:30pm – 6pm

Room C275

Register on the church app or website.

Women's Monday Night Bible Study

January 6th – March 10th

6pm – 7:30pm

Scan QR code to register.



Men's Wednesday Night Bible Study

Starts Wednesday, January 8th

6:30pm – 7:30pm

Room C262

Women's Retreat

Save the Date

Friday, January 31st – Saturday, February 1st

Men's Conference

Friday, February 21st – Saturday, February 22nd

Speaker: Dallas Wilson

Upstate Teaching Pastor & Discipleship Director, Greenville, SC.

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