



Brookwood
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, January 26, 2025

BROOKWOOD WORSHIP

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

Prelude

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

Melinda Dressler

Arr. Emma Lou Diemer

Welcome / Ministry Highlights / Prayer

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Baptism of Titus Hewlett, Blair Ryan and John Michael Straughn

Hymn of Praise

Be Thou My Vision

60

Ancient Irish Tune

Recognition of Melinda Dressler

Keith McLeod

Scripture Reading

Joel 2:26-32

Scott Phillips

NIV

²⁶You will have plenty to eat, until you are full,

and you will praise the name of the Lord your God,
who has worked wonders for you;
never again will my people be shamed.

²⁷Then you will know that I am in Israel,
that I am the Lord your God,
and that there is no other;
never again will my people be shamed.

The Day of the Lord

²⁸“And afterward,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your old men will dream dreams,
your young men will see visions.

²⁹Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days.

³⁰I will show wonders in the heavens
and on the earth,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.

³¹The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and
dreadful day of the Lord.

³²And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved;
for on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem
there will be deliverance,
as the Lord has said,
even among the survivors
whom the Lord calls.

Worship through Tithes & Offerings

O God Beyond All Praising

Sanctuary Choir

Arr.

Deacon Ordination

Installation of Deacons and Congregational Charge

Dr. Blake Dempsey

To The Congregation

Leader: In the presence of God, we solemnly recognize the crucial role of deacons.

Congregation: *Based upon God's Word, the deacon is not ruler but servant.*

Leader: The deacon is to assist in responding to spiritual and temporal needs.

Congregation: *We charge our deacons with the responsibility of assisting our ministers in shepherding the flock.*

To The Deacons

Leader: You have been entrusted with a sacred task. Do you now accept the challenge of caring for God's people in this community of believers?

Deacons: *We will care for God's people at Brookwood.*

Leader: Do you promise to give your best efforts in fulfilling the responsibilities of your office?

Deacons: *We will fulfill the responsibilities of a deacon.*

Leader: Do you covenant to pray for the members of this congregation regularly and to follow the Holy Spirit in seeking to lead the members of this church toward Christian maturity?

Deacons: *We will pray and we will follow the Spirit's lead. We will pray that we grow in grace.*

To The Congregation

Leader: In placing this mantle of responsibility and trust upon these servants, you must commit to support them in their ministry. Do you accept the challenge?

Congregation: *We will support our deacons and grow in grace with them.*

All: Recognizing that we are one body in Christ and having promised mutual support before our God, let us serve one another in faith, hope, and love. Let us grow in grace and knowledge as we glorify our Lord.

Laying on of Hands Don Sullivan and Jennifer Fairchild

Presentation of Ordination Certificates and Bibles Don Sullivan

Sermon **"Book of the Twelve: Joel"** Dr. Blake Dempsey

Hymn of Response ***Fairest Lord Jesus*** # 176
Anonymous German Hymn

Benediction Dr. Blake Dempsey

Postlude ***Toccata from Fifth Symphony*** Melinda Dressler
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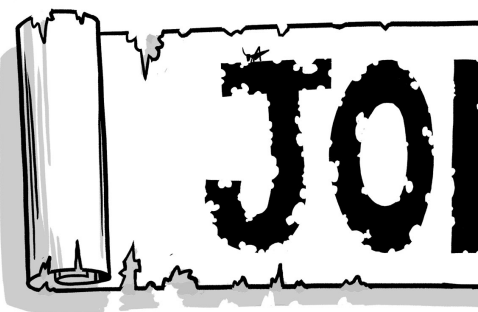
Today's flower arrangement is given in honor of our dear friend and organist of 54 years, Melinda Dressler.

the DAY of the LORD

PAST EVENTS WHEN GOD SAVED HIS PEOPLE & CONFRONTED EVIL



FUTURE TIME WHEN GOD WILL DEFEAT EVIL & SAVE THE WORLD



ISRAEL'S SIN LED TO DISASTER

BUT GOD'S CREATES

1 A PAST DAY OF THE LORD

A RECENT LOCUST SWARM IN ISRAEL

REMEMBER THE PLAGUES ON EGYPT (SEE EXODUS 10)



ANNOUNCEMENT OF DISASTER

2a A FUTURE DAY OF THE LORD

AN IMMINENT DISASTER FOR JERUSALEM



"THE DAY OF THE LORD IS DREADFUL: WHO CAN ENDURE IT?" (2:11)

2b

SO GOD WAS FILLED WITH

(20-21) DEFEAT THE INVADERS



(12-16) RESTORATION OF DEVASTATED LAND



(17) DIVINE PROTECTION AMONG GOD'S



CALL TO REPENTANCE

WHY: (2:13b)
"GOD IS GRACIOUS & COMPASSIONATE, SLOW TO ANGER, FULL OF LOVE."
-GOD'S MERCY IS MORE POWERFUL THAN HIS WRATH

HOW: (2:13a)
"REND YOUR HEARTS, NOT YOUR GARMENTS."
-GENUINE CHANGE

QUOTATION OF EXODUS 34:6

TO YOU, O LORD, I CALL! (1:19)



ACTS OF REPENTANCE



SPARE YOUR PEOPLE, O LORD! (2:17)

JOEL

A BIBLICAL AUTHOR IMMERSED IN EARLIER BIBLICAL WRITINGS →



- UNIQUE THINGS ABOUT JOEL:**
- 1.) NOT CLEAR WHEN IT WAS WRITTEN- LIKELY THE PERIOD OF EZRA-NEHEMIAH
 - 2.) JOEL IS FAMILIAR WITH MANY OTHER SCRIPTURAL BOOKS
 - 3.) JOEL DOESN'T ACCUSE ISRAEL OF ANY SIN- HE ASSUMES YOU'VE READ THE OTHER PROPHETS

MERCY
HOPE

THE PAST BECOMES AN
IMAGE OF THE FUTURE

GOD'S RESPONSE

2:18
WITH PASSION FOR HIS LAND AND HAD PITY ON HIS PEOPLE.



2c-3 THE FUTURE DAY OF THE LORD

3:1-16
GOD WILL CONFRONT
EVIL AMONG ALL NATIONS



SEE:
ISAIAH 13
ZEPHANIAH 3
EZEKIEL 38-39

3:17-21
RENEWAL OF
ALL CREATION



SEE:
ISAIAH 35
EZEKIEL 47
ZECHARIAH 14

2:28-32
GOD'S SPIRIT WILL
FILL ALL HIS PEOPLE



SEE:
ISAIAH 32:15 & 44:3
JEREMIAH 31:31-34
EZEKIEL 36:23-28

Upcoming Events

Divorce Care Ministry

Sundays

4:30pm – 6pm

Room C275

Women's Monday Night Bible Study

6:00pm – 7:30pm

Room C270

Men's Wednesday Night Bible Study

6:30pm – 7:30pm

Room C262

Women's Retreat

Friday, January 31st – Saturday, February 1st

Speaker: Yvonne Looney

Register on the church website or app.

Men's Conference

Friday, February 21st – Saturday, February 22nd

Speaker: Dallas Wilson

Register on the church website or app.

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