



# **Brookwood**

## **BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sunday, January 25, 2026



# BROOKWOOD WORSHIP

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

## Songs of Hope & Assurance

### ***Graves into Gardens***

Words and Music by Brandon Lake, Chris Brown and Tiffany Hammer

### ***Sovereign Over Us***

Words and Music by Aaron Keyes, Jack Mooring and Bryan Brown

## Welcome and Prayer

Dr. Larry McCutcheon

## Scripture Reading

### ***Galatians 5:13-18***

NIV

<sup>13</sup> You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. <sup>14</sup> For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." <sup>15</sup> If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

<sup>16</sup> So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup> For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. <sup>18</sup> But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

## Prayer Response

### ***Sanctuary***

Sanctuary Choir

Words and Music by John Thompson and Randy Scruggs

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true:  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for You.*

## Prayer Litany

(inspired by Galatians 5:22-26)

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience,  
kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.  
Against such things there is no law.

**Lord, we pray that the fruit of Your Spirit may grow in us.**

Those who belong to Christ Jesus  
have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires.

**Lord, help us to destroy any passions or desires  
that turn us away from you.**

**Transform our sinful natures and teach us Your way.**

Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

**Lord, walk ahead of us and help us to follow you.**

**Lord, walk beside us and hold us up in difficult times.**

**Lord, walk behind us and protect us.**

Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

**Lord, help us not to think too much of ourselves.**

**Lord, help us not to make those around us angry.**

**Lord, help us to rejoice with our sisters and brothers in their joys,  
and keep us from envy. In the name of Jesus, Amen.**

~ from Fruit of the Spirit: Gentleness, written by Alice Shuman

## Worship through Tithes & Offerings

### *When We Walk Together*

Words and Music by Anchor Hymns

## 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

Jennifer Fairchild & Tim Christopher

Sermon

**Freedom and the Fruit of the Spirit**

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Hymn of Response

**Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God**

Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

Benediction

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Today's flower arrangement is given in honor of  
Genie Morris on her 90th birthday by Ann and John Watson.

# Upcoming Events

## Kids' Worship

Today

10:30am

In the Chapel

## Deacons' Ordination

Today

6pm

In the Sanctuary

## Men's Bible Study

Wednesdays

5:30pm

In room C262

## Women's Retreat

Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup> – 6pm-8:30pm

Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> – 9:30am-11am

In the Fellowship Hall

## Men's Conference

Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup> – 6pm-9pm

Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> – 8:00am-11am

In the Fellowship Hall

Scan the QR Code to see what all is going on at Brookwood.



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