



# **Brookwood**

**BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sunday, September 17, 2023



# BROOKWOOD WORSHIP

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

## Discipleship:

A community's journey of transformation to become and to make disciples, who are Spirit-empowered, apprentices to Jesus, who invite others to share in the Father's radical love.

Prelude

***Alleluia*** from ***Exsultate Jubilate***  
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Brookwood Strings

Welcome to Worship / Ministry Highlights

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Hymn

***In Christ Alone***  
Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend  
Arr. Dan Kreider

Missions Moment

Kyle Hudgens

Community Prayer

Ryann Brown

Worship through Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

***Amazing Grace***  
Arr. Bruce Stevenson  
Cello: Michelle Cheng

Sanctuary Choir

Scripture Reading

**Deuteronomy 1:19-21, 26-33**

Larry McCutcheon

<sup>19</sup> Then, as the Lord our God commanded us, we set out from Horeb and went toward the hill country of the Amorites through all that vast and dreadful wilderness that you have seen, and so we reached Kadesh Barnea. <sup>20</sup> Then I said to you, "You have reached the hill country of the Amorites, which the Lord our God is giving us. <sup>21</sup> See, the Lord your God has given you the land. Go up and take possession of it as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, told you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."

<sup>26</sup> But you were unwilling to go up; you rebelled against the command of the Lord your God.<sup>27</sup> You grumbled in your tents and said, "The Lord hates us; so he brought us out of Egypt to deliver us into the hands of the Amorites to destroy us."<sup>28</sup> Where can we go? Our brothers have made our hearts melt in fear. They say, "The people are stronger and taller than we are; the cities are large, with walls up to the sky. We even saw the Anakites there."

<sup>29</sup> Then I said to you, "Do not be terrified; do not be afraid of them."<sup>30</sup> The Lord your God, who is going before you, will fight for you, as he did for you in Egypt, before your very eyes,<sup>31</sup> and in the wilderness. There you saw how the Lord your God carried you, as a father carries his son, all the way you went until you reached this place."

<sup>32</sup> In spite of this, you did not trust in the Lord your God,<sup>33</sup> who went ahead of you on your journey, in fire by night and in a cloud by day, to search out places for you to camp and to show you the way you should go.

One: This is the Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

Modern Hymn

***He Will Hold Me Fast***

Intro from 'Finlandia' by Jean Sibelius

Lyrics vv. 1-2 by Ada Habershon

Alt words vv. 1-2, lyrics v. 3 and Music by Matt Merker

Sermon

**"A Community's Journey of Transformation:  
Trust in the Wilderness"**

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Invitation

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Hymn of Response

***Come Unto Jesus***

Words adapted from "Come Ye Disconsolate" Thomas Moore and Thomas Hastings

Original Words and Music by Jordan Kauflin, Matt Merker and Laura Story

Benediction

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Postlude

***Prelude and Fugue in dminor***

Melinda Dressler

J.S. Bach

Today's flower arrangement is given in loving memory of Susie and Bim Burgin by the Terch family.

## BROOKWOOD DISCIPLESHIP VERSES

1. Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20
2. To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:31-32
3. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8
4. Then he said to them all: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will save it." Luke 9:23-24
5. He must become greater; I must become less. John 3:30
6. So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. Colossians 2:6-7
7. A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another. John 13:34-35
8. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. Matthew 5:16
9. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Matthew 11:29
10. He has shown you, O mortal what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. Micah 6:8

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **The Gathering (Sunday Lunch)**

Today, September 17<sup>th</sup>

Immediately following worship in the Fellowship Hall

## **Quarterly Business Meeting**

Today, September 17<sup>th</sup>

5:00pm in the Sanctuary

## **Deacons' Meeting**

Today, September 17<sup>th</sup>

6:00pm in room C-260

## **Connect at the Park**

Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>

5:30pm at Overton Park and Liberty Park

## **Intergenerational Game Night**

Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>

6:30pm-8:00pm in the Fellowship Hall

Ice cream competition. Bring your own dinner.

## **7:14 Prayer Groups**

### **Signups have started!**

Signup on your church app under events or scan the QR Code in the back of the pews.

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