



Brookwood
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, August 15, 2021

Sunday Morning Worship

Brookwood Baptist Church

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Worship Destination:

In Christian community, we must become less and less, Christ must become more and more.

based on John 3:30

Prelude

Melinda Dressler

Welcome to Worshippers

Keith McLeod

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Blessing of the Backpacks

Judy Bryant & Larry McCutcheon

Larry: God, for all our students who are beginning a new school year, we ask for your guidance in their daily walks through hallways, to the bus stop, in the carpool line or as they prepare to study from home.

Families: Bless these students as they sit in classrooms or at home to learn, as they study for tests and projects, and as they fill their minds with new knowledge.

Judy: For the teachers that will guide them in their education, we pray that their teaching will be effective and their classrooms would be safe places that are filled with an excitement to learn.

Families: Bless these teachers as they educate and guide their students. May they feel peace and confidence in the safety measures that have been put in place for each classroom.

Larry: For the staff that will provide support to both teachers and students, we pray that they, too, will be able to find peace as they work and joy in their work, both of which are vital to the success of our schools.

Families: Bless the bus drivers, cafeteria workers, custodians, guidance counselors, administration, and the countless others that make education possible in our schools.

Judy: For the families that will send their child off to school, whether that is preschool or off to college, we pray that they can balance the demands of school and the needs of their families well. Help them to remember that education is important, but so is being safe AND building strong relationships. May the right balance be found by each family unit.

Families: As our students and teachers exchange their flip flops for sneakers, may they know that they are a part of this family of faith, and that they are cared for, prayed for, and loved.

Larry: Closing prayer

Hymn of Praise

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Words and Music by Thomas Chisholm and William Runyan

Community Prayer

Keith McLeod

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
Forever. Amen.

Modern Hymn

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

Words and Music by Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson and Michael Farren

Scripture Reading

2 Peter 1:2-11

Lilly Gilbert and Kendall Feild

NLT

² May God give you more and more grace and peace as you grow in your knowledge of God and Jesus our Lord.³ By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know him, the one who called us to himself by means of his marvelous glory and excellence. ⁴ And because of his glory and excellence, he has given us great and precious promises. These are the promises that enable you to share his divine nature and escape the world's corruption caused by human desires.

⁵In view of all this, make every effort to respond to God's promises. Supplement your faith with a generous provision of moral excellence, and moral excellence with knowledge, ⁶and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with patient endurance, and patient endurance with godliness, ⁷and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love for everyone.

⁸The more you grow like this, the more productive and useful you will be in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹But those who fail to develop in this way are shortsighted or blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their old sins.

¹⁰So, dear brothers and sisters, work hard to prove that you really are among those God has called and chosen. Do these things, and you will never fall away. ¹¹Then God will give you a grand entrance into the eternal Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

One: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Song

Above All Things

Words and Music by Brian Pitts

based on Colossians 1:15-20

Sermon

COMMUNITY: THE POWER OF TOGETHER

Dr. Blake Dempsey

"Jesus in Increasing Measure"

Song of Response

More of You

Words & Music by Steve Merkel

Benediction

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Postlude

Come, Christians Join to Sing

Anna Williams

Arr. Molly Ijames

"Today's flowers celebrate the church
which helped raise our daughter." Meg & Price Hightower

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