



Brookwood
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, May 16, 2021

Sunday Morning Worship

Brookwood Baptist Church

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Worship Destination:

We come near to God when we experience His joy and strength, even in the face of opposition.

Prelude/Call to Worship

The Chorister's Prayer

Mixed Quartet

Words and Music by Jacob Dishman

Bless, O Lord, Thy servants, who minister in Thy temple. Grant that, what we sing with our lips, we may believe in our hearts, and what we believe in our hearts, we may show forth in our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Welcome to Worshippers

Brian Pitts

Modern Hymn

Lovingkindness

Words and Music by Matt Boswell, Matt Papa and Matt Redman

Community Prayer

Greg Womack

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.

Song

Jesus is Better

Words and Music by Aaron Ivey and Brett Land

Scripture Reading

Ezra 6:15-22

NIV

¹⁵The temple was completed on the third day of the month Adar, in the sixth year of the reign of King Darius.

¹⁶Then the people of Israel—the priests, the Levites and the rest of the exiles—celebrated the dedication of the house of God with joy. ¹⁷For the dedication of this house of God they offered a hundred bulls, two hundred rams, four hundred male lambs and, as a sin offering for all Israel, twelve male goats, one for each of the tribes of Israel. ¹⁸And they installed the priests in their divisions and the Levites in their groups for the service of God at Jerusalem, according to what is written in the Book of Moses.

The Passover

¹⁹On the fourteenth day of the first month, the exiles celebrated the Passover. ²⁰The priests and Levites had purified themselves and were all ceremonially clean. The Levites slaughtered the Passover lamb for all the exiles, for their relatives the priests and for themselves. ²¹So the Israelites who had returned from the exile ate it, together with all who had separated themselves from the unclean practices of their Gentile neighbors in order to seek the Lord, the God of Israel. ²²For seven days they celebrated with joy the Festival of Unleavened Bread, because the Lord had filled them with joy by changing the attitude of the king of Assyria so that he assisted them in the work on the house of God, the God of Israel.

One: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon

Ezra-Nehemiah: Regather, Rebuild, Renew

Dr. Blake Dempsey

“Sacrificial Joy & Joyful Sacrifice”

Celebration of The Lord’s Supper (Communion)

[A Word About Communion at Brookwood:](#)

This is a time for all people to seek the Lord. For Christians, Communion (also called The Lord’s Supper or The Eucharist, which means ‘thanksgiving’) is a time to meet with their Savior by faith, to be strengthened and renewed by Him as they eat bread and drink the cup. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the gospel, are at peace with their fellow neighbor, and seek strength and grace to live more

faithfully to Christ, are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer and to consider more deeply your relationship to Jesus Christ. We also ask that children who have not yet publicly professed their faith in Christ refrain from partaking until doing so.

Prayers for Those Not Communing

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life that you promise. Amen. **Prayer of Searching for Truth**

Lord, Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen. **Prayer of Believing on Jesus**

Receiving the Elements

Thank You Jesus for The Blood

Words and Music by Charity Gayle, Ryan Kennedy, David Gentiles

Benediction

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Postlude

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Anna Williams

Arr. Bruce Greer

"Builders for Christ" Mission Trip

Appleton Wisconsin

May 18-29

2021 Team

Tanner Causey
Al Cook
Lawrence Corley
Marty Elder
Bill Floyd
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Joe Halbrooks

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Phillip Huggins
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Lisa Markham
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Luke Miskelley
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