

# *Briarwood*

Presbyterian Church, PCA



*For God's glory*

We are committed to equipping

Christians to worship God

and to reach Birmingham

to reach the world for Christ



# Celebration of Worship

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## L.E.A.D.

MORNING SERVICES OF DIVINE WORSHIP - June 30, 2019

### Worship Leaders

Dr. Harry L. Reeder III, Pastor/Teacher

Mr. Bruce Stallings, Executive Pastor

Rev. Daniel Cason, Pianist

Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor

Mr. Hunter Goff, Organist

*Please adjust all electronic devices so as not to interrupt the service.*

### THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*...in the great assembly I will bless the LORD. Psalm 26:12*

#### The Call to Worship and Preparation from the Psalms

#### The Prelude and Time of Meditation and Confession

*"Fanfare for the Common Man" (Copland)*

*O gracious God, my heart is drawn out in thankfulness to You, for Your amazing grace and condescension to me in influences and assistances of Your Spirit, for special help in prayer, for the sweetness of Christian service, for the thoughts of arriving in heaven, for always sending me needful supplies, for raising me to new life when I am like one dead. Give me special grace to fit me for special services, and keep me calm and resigned at all times, humble and solemn and conformed to Your will.*

*adapted from The Valley of Vision*

#### The Invocation

#### The Gospel Word of Salvation

#### \*The Greeting of Grace and Peace

#### \*The Hymn of Ascents

*"Come, Christians, Join to Sing" Hymn 108*

### THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE

*I call upon You, for You will answer me, O God; incline Your ear to me; hear my words. Psalm 17:6*

#### The Pastoral Prayer of Intercession

### THE ADORATION OF GOD'S GLORY

*Let the heavens praise Your wonders, O LORD, Your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones! Psalm 89:5*

#### The Presentation and Consecration of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

*Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first-fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.*

*Proverbs 3:9-10*

#### The Choral Offering of Worship

*"Order My Steps" (arr. Burleigh)*

\*The Confession of Truth

Philippians 2:5-11

\*The Singing of Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs

*"Blessed Be Your Name" · "Faithfulness" · "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Hymn 43 v. 1*

## THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

*...but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on His law he meditates day and night. Psalm 1:2*

\*The Prayer of Illumination

\*†The New Testament Reading

I Peter 5:5-11

The Exposition of God's Word

Pastor Reeder

XLV. I Peter in Biblical Perspective

*The Elect in the Exile*

"Humility and Unity"

I Peter 5:5-11

## THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*And now I commend you to God and to the Word of His grace... Acts 20:32a*

\*The Pastoral Benediction

\*The Congregational Affirmation

*"The Doxology with Alleluias"*

The Postlude

*"America, the Beautiful" (Bates/Ward)*

\* The congregation is requested to stand, if able.

† K4-3rd grade dismiss to the Children's Auditorium for Children's Worship.

Following the 8:00 service, Children's Worship participants will be escorted to their Sunday School rooms.

Following the 10:55 service, please pick up K4-3rd grade children in the Children's Auditorium.

A Prayer Team is available following both morning services just to the right of the pulpit platform.

Large-print copies of the Order of Worship and audio receivers for the hearing impaired are available at the Information Center. The 8:00 a.m. service is also "signed" each week in the Worship Center.

Both Sunday morning services are broadcast live on WLJR 88.5 FM, and the

10:55 a.m. service video is also available online at [briarwood.org/livetv](http://briarwood.org/livetv).

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# Fellowship of Believers

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THE EVENING SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP - 6:00 P.M.

Christianity in America Celebration

*featuring*

The Briarwood Choir and Orchestra

MoTowne Productions Ensemble

Congressman Gary Palmer, speaker

*Church-wide fellowship to follow.*

# Prayers *and* Praises

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Praise the Lord! *Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise Him in the heights! Praise Him all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts!* (Psalm 148:1, 2)

Welcome Congressman Gary Palmer as he speaks this evening at our Christianity in America Celebration. Thank God for his life of dedication to our country. Pray for his protection from the enemy.

Mission Prayer: Pray for Alan and Dorys Perdoma who serve with World Reach in Siguatepeque, Honduras, as they meet new ministry opportunities. Alan teaches Sunday School for college students, preaches in his church, and teaches theology in a local Bible seminary. Dorys is teaching women in the church and writing lessons for the ladies' Bible study program. *(The flag of Honduras is featured in today's worship service.)*

*"Continue steadfastly in prayer..."* Colossians 4:2a

## Opportunities *for* Ministry *and* Growth

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Members of the congregation are invited to prepare their hearts to receive Communion on Sun., July 7 in the evening service. An alms offering for the Mercy Ministry will be received. Elements are gluten-free.

Summer Choir returns! Last year's popular Summer Choir begins on July 7. Come to the choir loft 10 minutes prior to the service and prepare a familiar hymn to present in that morning's service. Then rejoin your family during the greeting time.

All 3rd-6th graders don't miss this great opportunity! Catechism Sunday School class is a nine-month class which requires outside work for the student and parents. If your child is interested, please email [rmacoy@briarwood.org](mailto:rmacoy@briarwood.org) to register. It usually fills fast, so register early.

## Our Church Family

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Duty Elders for Anointing Services: Class of 2020

Serving in the Nursery today: Deeper Life

Hospitalized: Pete Chadwick, Griff Harsh, Jason Tompkins, Lee McCarty, Allison Shaw, Johnny Carr

Our love and sympathy to the family of member Charley Clark on his death on June 20.

We rejoice with Matt and Shelbi Wambles on the birth of their son, Elliott, on June 25.

The flowers in the Worship Center are given to the glory of God in memory of LCPL Thomas E. Rivers, Jr. who gave his life in military service for our country. The flowers in the Worship Center Lobby are given to the glory of God in memory of Debra Lardner and Phillip and Jean Haley from the wedding of Abigail Head and Carson Haley on June 29.

With a VBS Missions Offering of \$19,833.77, 396 children in India will now be able to attend school with a new uniform made in the village and distributed by Briarwood supported missionary, Khen Thombing. Thank you for giving to Smart Wear!

# Announcements

**Sunday Nights for Children at 6:00 p.m.**—Rising K5 and 1st grade meet in M111 for ABC Bible Memory. Rising 2nd–6th grades will attend Christianity in America Celebration.

**Help the Nursery** prepare for the Christianity in America service tonight. Make your reservations at [briarwood.org/nursery](http://briarwood.org/nursery).

**Fourth of July**—Church and school offices will be closed Thurs., July 4.

**See summer activities for K5–12th grades** at [briarwood.org/summerkids](http://briarwood.org/summerkids).

**Church Revitalization Ministry Prayer**—All are welcome to gather for prayer Sun., July 7 at 5:00 p.m. in W202.

**K.I.D.S. Summer Music Camp**—July 8–21. Your financial gift will help Daniel Cason’s ministry tell 500 inner-city kids about the love of Jesus. Make a donation online at [danielcason.org](http://danielcason.org) or call 205-365-1800.

**Summer Soccer Camp**—July 8–12 Ambassadors (ages 7–14). For information and to register, go to [briarwoodsoccer.com](http://briarwoodsoccer.com).

**Briarwood Night at Bham Legion FC Pro Soccer**—July 13, 7:00 p.m. at UAB’s BBVA Stadium. Call 205-776-5114 or email [soccer@briarwood.org](mailto:soccer@briarwood.org) if you would like tickets or more information.

**Briarwood Ballet Summer Showcase—*You Alone***, July 12 at 7:00 p.m. and July 13 at 2:30 p.m. in the Barbara B. Barker Fine Arts Auditorium. Reserved seating tickets, \$10, at [briarwood.org/ballet](http://briarwood.org/ballet).

**ESL Teacher Training**—Briarwood is offering ESL teacher training on Tues., July 16. If you or someone you know would like to attend, contact Laura at 205-776-5343 or [ldanner@briarwood.org](mailto:ldanner@briarwood.org).

**Greece Missions Trip Report**—Ladies, join us July 18 at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel as the Short Term Missions Team to Greece shares about their trip and ways we can continue to pray for the work in that country.

**Briarwood Art Show**—July 24 at 5:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m. in the FH. Mark your calendars to join us for an evening of art and fellowship.

**ESL teachers needed**—Two teachers for Wednesday night classes (Sept. to Nov.). We will train you. Contact Laura at [ldanner@briarwood.org](mailto:ldanner@briarwood.org) or 205-776-5343.

**Befriend an international student or scholar**—Friendship Partner applications are available. Contact Laura at 205-776-5343 or [ldanner@briarwood.org](mailto:ldanner@briarwood.org).

**2019–20 School Year**—Are you planning to hold your child back? Please let Raleigh Macoy know so we can make sure to place him or her in the appropriate Sunday School class for the fall. Email [rmacoy@briarwood.org](mailto:rmacoy@briarwood.org).

**BCS summer reading books** for 7th–12th grades are now at the Bookstore at discounted prices. Call 205-776-5210 for availability.

**Travel with Pastor Reeder**—July 22–24. Experience the Ark Encounter and Creation Museum with a personalized tour of the Ark and hear from creationist Ken Ham. Contact Sharon Johnston at [sjohnston@briarwood.org](mailto:sjohnston@briarwood.org) or 205-776-5320 to register. See the details of the trip at [briarwood.org/travel](http://briarwood.org/travel).

**Job Openings**—*See a complete listing with details at [briarwood.org/employment](http://briarwood.org/employment).*

**Youth/College Admin Assistant.** Full-time position responsible for office management, event planning, and anticipating/initiating the ministries’ needs. Email Max Bunn at [mbunn@briarwood.org](mailto:mbunn@briarwood.org) with inquiries and résumé.

**Briarwood Christian School:**

**Junior High Choir Teacher.** Part-time position requiring a music degree and choreography experience for a few show choir classes. Submit cover letter and résumé to [bcsemployment@bcsk12.org](mailto:bcsemployment@bcsk12.org). See complete details online.

# Welcome, Guest

We're delighted you are worshipping with us today. The entire Briarwood family is eager to greet you, answer any questions you may have and minister to you in any way. After the service, please stop by the foyer so that we may offer you a small gift to acknowledge your presence with us. I pray that this morning's worship will be all about Him and not about us, and that it will draw you close to the Lord of the universe.

For Christ, His Cross and His Crown,

*Harry*

Harry L. Reeder III, Pastor/Teacher

## Calendar *of the* Week

For a full listing of calendar events, visit our website at [briarwood.org/calendar](http://briarwood.org/calendar).

\* Nursery provided - please make weekday reservations at [briarwood.org/nursery](http://briarwood.org/nursery).  
Special needs care available - call June Cork, 776-5291.

SUNDAY \* 8:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service - Worship Center  
\* 8:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer - Prayer Room  
\* 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages  
\* 10:55 a.m. Morning Worship Service - Worship Center  
\* 10:55 a.m. Intercessory Prayer - Prayer Room  
1:30 p.m. Japanese Worship Service - G101  
\* 6:00 p.m. Christianity in America - Worship Center

MONDAY 9:30 a.m. L.O.V.E. Ministry - Flower Room

TUESDAY No scheduled activities

WEDNESDAY 10:00 a.m. Dr. Barker's Bible Study - A105  
10:00 a.m. Knitting Ministry - A205

THURSDAY Fourth of July  
Church and School offices closed

FRIDAY No scheduled activities

SATURDAY 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfasts - Giddens', Thomases'

Come tonight at 6:00 p.m. to the Christianity in America Celebration  
as we honor our veterans, active military and first responders.

Our guest speaker will be Congressman Gary Palmer.

Veterans are invited to wear their uniforms or parts thereof.

Please make Nursery reservations at [briarwood.org/nursery](http://briarwood.org/nursery).

