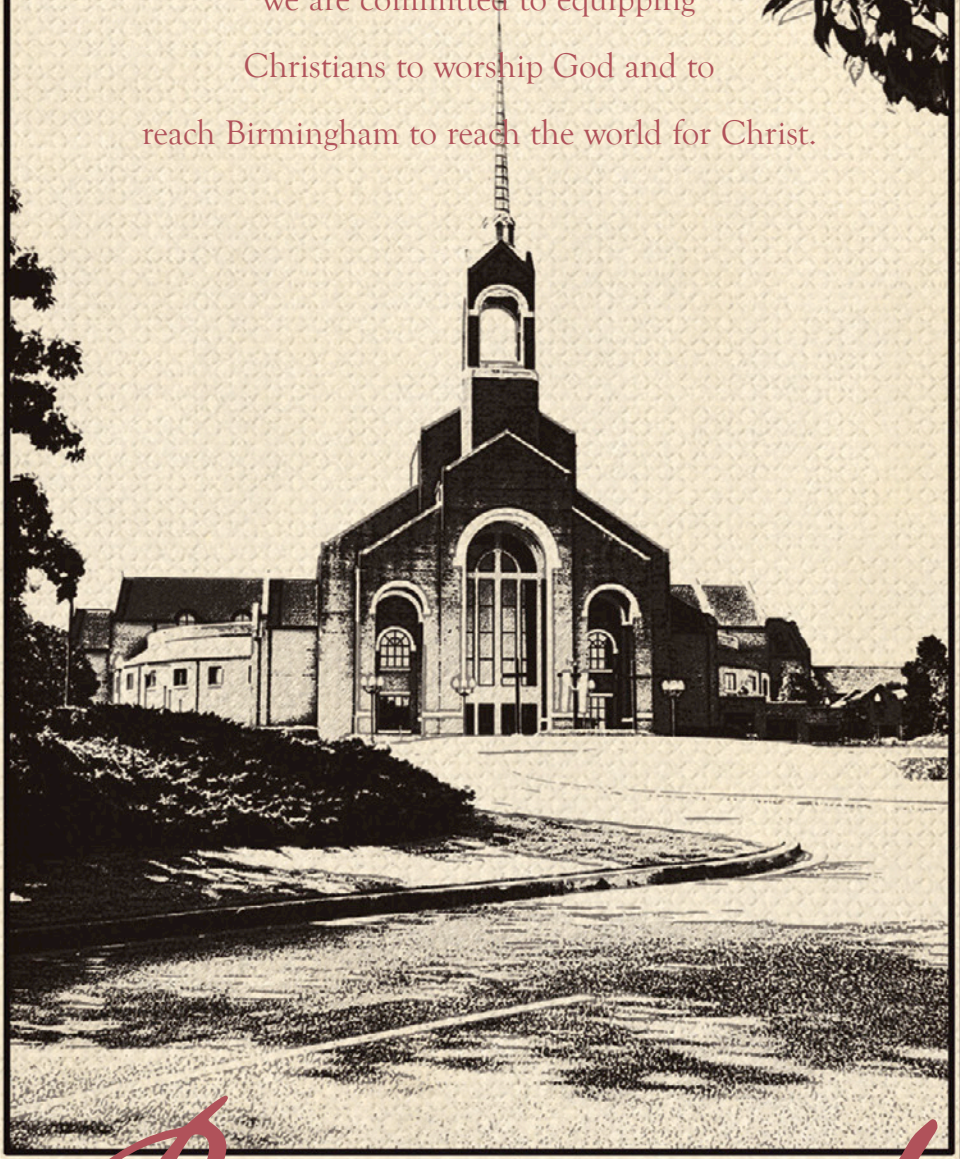




For God's glory,
we are committed to equipping
Christians to worship God and to
reach Birmingham to reach the world for Christ.



Briarwood
Presbyterian Church, PCA



Celebration of Worship

L.E.A.D.

MORNING SERVICES OF DIVINE WORSHIP - November 10, 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

"We Will Glorify" (arr. Winkler)

Briarwood Orchestra

Merciful God, You pardon all who truly repent and turn to You. I humbly confess my sins and ask Your mercy. I have not loved You with a pure heart, nor have I loved my neighbor as myself. I have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with You, my God. Have mercy on me, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Do not cast me from Your presence, or take Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation and sustain me with Your bountiful Spirit, for the sake of Your Son, my Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Invocation

The Gospel Word of Salvation

The Sacrament of Baptism (8:00)

*The Greeting of Grace and Peace

*The Hymn of Ascents

"Jesus Saves" Hymn 306

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 Tithe and Our Offerings

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits 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 Music

"Father, We Adore Thee" (Cymbala)

*The Confession of Truth “Go, Tell It on the Mountain” Hymn 138 v.1 · Isaiah 40:9

*The Singing of Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

“Behold Our God” · “My Jesus, I Love Thee” Hymn 364 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

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

The Exposition of God’s Word

Pastor Reeder

XXXI. L.E.A.D. in Biblical Perspective

Lifestyle of Evangelism and Discipleship

“Everyone Evangelizing Everybody Everywhere Everyday”

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

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

“To God Be the Glory” Hymn 66 v. 1

The Postlude

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” (Hopson)

* The congregation is requested to stand, if able.

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

† 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.

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.

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Fellowship of Believers

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

VIII. Biblical Biographies from the Bible

Biblical Biographies: Who? Why? How?

“Portrait #7: Samson”

Judges 13-17; Hebrews 11:32-40

Dr. Harry L. Reeder III

Prayers *and* Praises

Praise the Lord. *Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of His name, give to Him glorious praise! (Psalm 66:1, 2)*

Pray that Daniel Cason's "I Cared Enough" event on Tues., Nov. 26 would have all the resources needed to minister to and reach those in need.

Mission Prayer Focus: Steve and Eva Long serve with Sports Outreach using youth soccer to share the Gospel, build trusting relationships, disciple, and deploy the next generation of servant leaders. Pray for opportunities to share the Gospel with students and for God to work through them to build a Christ-centered culture in the rapidly growing charter school network in Dallas. *(The flag of Texas is featured in today's worship service.)*

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

Opportunities *for* Ministry *and* Growth

Join us today in the Chapel at 4:30 p.m. for the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church. We will have a special time of prayer for our brothers and sisters who are being persecuted for their love for Jesus. Be prepared to be challenged and strengthened in your faith.

"Angels" and shoeboxes are still available today. Pick your "angel" from the tree in the Chapel Lobby and get your boxes to fill in the Ministries Lobby. Return your "Angel" Tree gifts to the Worship Center Lobby and Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes to the Children's Auditorium Hallway next Sun., Nov. 17.

Don't miss Christmas at the Caroline House on Tues., Nov. 19 at 6:30 p.m. and Wed., Nov. 20 at 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. in the FH. Tickets are \$15 and available for all sessions in the Bookstore or at briarwood.org/cch. If you are able to serve as a volunteer or would like to provide a table centerpiece, please sign up via the link at briarwood.org/cch.

Our Church Family

Duty Elders for Anointing Services: Class of 2019

Serving in the Nursery today: Encounter/Mtn View

Hospitalized: Michelle Wall, Rebecca Haynes

Our love and sympathy to David Neel, Hadden Smith III and family on the death of their mother and sister, Betty Smith Neel, on Oct. 31; to Jan Scruggs and family on the death of her mother, Marnita Crow, on Nov. 4; and to Sarah Pate and family on the death of her sister, Susan Hart, on Oct. 30.

The flowers in the Worship Center are given to the glory of God in memory of Bill Thames from wife, Vangie. The flowers in the Worship Center Lobby are given to the glory of God from the wedding tea of Anna Mace.

The Walk Through Nativity is looking for you—actors, costumers, parking attendants, scene builders and more! We need 900 volunteers to serve Dec. 11, 12, and 13 from 6:45–8:45 p.m. Sign up by Nov. 20 by calling 205-776-5251; drop by the Membership Office (A101) to fill out a form; visit briarwood.org/nativity; or use the Briarwood App under More About Briarwood/Online Forms. There's a place for everyone!

Announcements

Caroline Circle—This Tues., Nov. 12 in the Caroline House. Fellowship at 10:00 a.m. with the lesson beginning at 10:30 a.m. Come join us for fellowship and our continued study on heaven from the Word!

Operation Christmas Child Testimony—Nov. 15 at 9:00 a.m. in the FH. Kim Henson will tell her life-changing story of a 1999 shoebox recipient who recently contacted her. Enjoy a biscuit breakfast while we also pack boxes! Free event, but reservations are requested by emailing sjohnston@briarwood.org.

Briarwood Fine Arts Academy—Briarwood Christian School presents “Romeo & Juliet,” Nov. 14 and 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the Barbara B. Barker Auditorium. For tickets, go to briarwoodchristianschool.org/fine-arts.

Dementia Caregivers Support Group—Join us Tues., Nov. 19 from 11:00 a.m.–noon in A201 to share concerns and practical strategies for dealing with the behaviors and communication difficulties of dementia patients. Call the Pastoral Care office with questions at 205-776-5227.

Trailblazers Trip—Nov. 21–22. Travel to Callaway Gardens to see the Christmas Lights, Gardens Tour, Institute 360 and Little White House. Go to briarwood.org/trailblazers or email sjohnston@briarwood.org for details.

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper—Nov. 24 in the morning services. Members of the congregation are invited to prepare their hearts to receive Communion. An alms offering for the Mercy Ministry will be received. Elements are gluten-free.

“I Cared Enough”—Daniel Cason Ministry’s annual event at the Bill Harris Arena@ Crossplex on Tues., Nov. 26. Volunteers and donations are needed to provide hot Thanksgiving meals, groceries, clothing, medical screenings and more for those in need. Go online to libertychurch.cc/ice or call 205-365-1800.

Women’s Event—Feb. 1. Tickets for the Nancy Guthrie Biblical Theology Workshop for Women are on sale! The earlybird discount is available now through Nov. 30. Purchase tickets at briarwood.org/women.

Poinsettias—Place a poinsettia in memory or honor of someone for the Worship Center at Christmas. Cost is \$20 per dedication. Order at briarwood.org/poinsettia, use envelopes at the Info Desk, visit the Membership Office (A101) or call 205-776-5208.

Briarwood Fellow Request—Carlisle Woodward is seeking members of the church willing to come into a low-income school and give presentations about their careers. If interested, email cwoodward@risinghopeacademy.org

Briarwood Mother’s Day Out—Openings are available. Email djohnson@briarwood.org or call 205-776-5206 for information.

Bookstore New Seasonal hours! We are open Mon.–Fri. from 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m., Wed. from 9:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m, and Sun. from 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. We have great gift ideas!

Job Openings—*See a complete listing with details at briarwood.org/employment.*

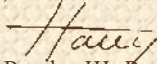
Weeknight Gym Supervisor. Briarwood member needed for church gym supervisor from 5:15–8:30 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from Nov. 11 to Feb. 14. \$20.00/night; minimum age 17 years old. If interested in all or most dates, call Scott Hannah at 205-776-5361.

Administrative Assistant for the Shepherding Team Pastor. Full-time position with benefits for an active Briarwood member. Proficient knowledge of Microsoft Office, effective organization, and excellent communication skills required. Send résumé to Benny Youngblood at byoungblood@briarwood.org or call 205-776-5321.

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 L. Reeder III, Pastor/Teacher

Calendar of the Week

For a full listing of calendar events, visit our website at briarwood.org/calendar.

* Nursery provided - please make weekday reservations at briarwood.org/nursery.
Special needs care available - call June Cork, 205-776-5291.

SUNDAY	* 8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship - 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 - Worship Center
	* 10:55 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer - Prayer Room
	1:30 p.m.	Japanese Worship Service - G101
	4:30 p.m.	Youth Worship Choir - Choir Room
* 6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship - Worship Center	
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MONDAY	6:30 a.m.	MOC Study - FH-E&F
	9:30 a.m.	L.O.V.E. Ministry - Flower Room
	6:15 p.m.	CMMA Monday Night Fellowship - Walkers'
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TUESDAY	* 9:30 a.m.	WOC Bible Studies - G101; FH-A
	10:00 a.m.	Caroline Circle - Caroline House
	11:45 a.m.	MOC Study - Cajun Seafood House (2531 Rocky Ridge Rd)
	6:15 p.m.	WOC Study - G101A
	6:30 p.m.	CMMA Tuesday Night Fellowship - Simpsons
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WEDNESDAY	6:30 a.m.	MOC Bible Study - FH-F
	10:00 a.m.	Dr. Barker's Bible Study - Chapel
	5:15 p.m.	Fellowship Dinner - FH
	* 6:30 p.m.	MidWeek Classes and Activities for all ages
	6:30 p.m.	Raiders@The Barn - The Barn
	7:00 p.m.	BYG@The Barn - The Barn
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THURSDAY	* 9:30 a.m.	WOC Bible Studies - G101; FH-A
	9:30 a.m.	Pray for Our Nation - Wmn: Brides Rm/Men: Prayer Rm
	7:00 p.m.	Barker Bible Study - Cahaba Ridge (3090 Healthy Way)
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FRIDAY	6:30 a.m.	MOC Bible Study - FH-F
	* 9:30 a.m.	WOC Bible Study - G101
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SATURDAY	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfasts - Giddens', Thomases'

