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
LIFESTYLE STEWARDSHIP
MORNING SERVICES OF DIVINE WORSHIP - January 12, 2020

Worship Leaders
Dr. Harry L. Reeder III, Pastor/Teacher
Mr. Bruce Stallings, Executive Pastor
Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor
Rev. Daniel Cason, Pianist
Mr. Hunter Goff, Organist

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

THE GATHERING OF GOD’S PEOPLE
For where two or three are gathered in My name, there am I among them. Matthew 18:20

The Call to Worship and Preparation from the Psalms

The Prelude and Time of Meditation and Confession

“Living Hope” (arr. Kirkland)
Briarwood Orchestra

Lord God Almighty, You have made known to me that my salvation is Christ’s work, but to cleave to Him by faith is my work, and with this faith is the necessity of my daily repentance as a mourning for the sin which Christ by grace has removed. Continue, O God, to teach me that faith apprehends Christ’s righteousness not only for the satisfaction of justice, but as unspotted evidence of Your love to me. Help me to make use of His work of salvation as the ground of peace, and of Your favor to, and acceptance of me the sinner, so that I may live always near the cross.

adapted from The Valley of Vision

The Invocation

The Gospel Word of Salvation

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” Hymn 51 vv. 1, 2
“O God, Our Help in Ages Past” Hymn 52 vv. 1, 2, 6

THE PETITIONING OF GOD’S PROVIDENCE
...I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions and thanksgivings be made for all people... 1 Timothy 2:1

The Pastoral Prayer of Intercession

THE ADORATION OF GOD’S GLORY
Praise the LORD! It is good to sing praises to our God... Psalm 147:1a

The Presentation and Consecration of God’s Tithe and Our Offerings
Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. II Corinthians 9:7

The Choral Offering of Worship
“At the Name of Jesus” (Berry)
**The Confession of Truth**

The Apostles’ Creed

**The Singing of Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs**

“Behold Our God”

**THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD’S WORD**

*The Prayer of Illumination*

*I Timothy 4:13*

**The New Testament Reading**

*I Corinthians 4:1–5*

**The Exposition of God’s Word**

Pastor Reeder

I. Christian Stewardship in Biblical Perspective

Lifestyle Stewardship

“Christian Stewardship: An Identity and a Vocation”

I Corinthians 4:1–5

**THE CONSECRATION OF GOD’S PEOPLE**

*The Pastoral Benediction*

**The Congregational Affirmation**

“The Doxology with Alleluias”

**The Postlude**

“Blessed Assurance” (Knapp)

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

I. Eternity in Biblical Perspective

If I Should Die Before I Wake...

“The Bible and Death?”

Genesis 2:15–17

Dr. Harry L. Reeder III

Officer Ordination and Installation Service
Prayers and Praises

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart; I will recount all of Your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and exult in You; I will sing praise to Your Name, O Most High. (Psalm 9:1, 2)

Pray for the Young Business Leader’s Second Half Rally with Rick Burgess on Thurs., Jan. 23. Pray many will come and hear the good news of Jesus Christ.

Mission Prayer Focus: Pastors and church leaders will attend the Embers to a Flame Conference at Briarwood Jan. 16–19. Pray for their safe travel and the support of their congregations. Ask the Lord to prepare their hearts to learn from God’s word and embrace the strategies for church health. (The flag of Alabama is featured in today’s worship service.)

“Continue steadfastly in prayer...” Colossians 4:2a

Opportunities for Ministry and Growth

It’s not too late to join a study for the new year! The Women of the Covenant and Men of the Covenant study groups have just started. See the list of all the studies on the Briarwood App or online at briarwood.org/women and briarwood.org/men.

Come back to MidWeek this winter at Briarwood. There are opportunities for the entire family to come together on Wednesday evenings for a Fellowship Dinner and to take part in a class or activity. See all the offerings for winter/spring 2020, as well as sign up for dinner and Nursery reservations at briarwood.org/midweek or on the Briarwood App. Make Wednesday a time your family looks forward to every week!

Our Church Family

Duty Elders for Anointing Services: Class of 2021

Serving in the Nursery today: Family Matters/In One Accord

Hospitalized: Sharon Dierks, Jerry Minor, Sally Scott, Marvin Keffer, Tyler Drummond

We rejoice with Jed and Kendall Duke on the birth of their son, James Michael, on Dec. 17; with Justin and Kristin Goebel on the birth of their son, David Alexander, on Jan. 8, grandparents Steve and Tina Goebel and great-grandparents Wales and Jean Goebel.

Our love and sympathy to Rebecca Dugal, Harry Reeder, Beth Thomas and family on the death of their mother and sister, Amy Reeder Martin, on Jan. 2; to Bud Trammel and family on the death of his brother, Alan Trammel, on Jan. 3; to Lynn Smith and family on the death of her father, Claude McWhorter, on Jan. 4; to Barbara Gwaltney, Anna Olin and family on the death of their mother and grandmother, Dorothy McGee, on Jan. 5; and to Marc Dobson and family on the death of his mother, Lynne Laney Dobson, on Jan. 6.

Deposit pocket change into wall containers around the church to be used by the Mercy Ministry to distribute food for those in need. Coin canisters are available at the Altadena House to collect at home.
**Announcements**

**Persecuted Church Prayer**—Today in G103 at 5:00 p.m. All are welcome to join us to pray for our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ.

**HONEY, STOP THE CAR...**I forgot to make my nursery reservations for 2020! Please remember to re-make your reservations on the Briarwood App or by going online to briarwood.org/nursery for your Bible Study, Wednesday Night, and weekday needs.

**New Year in the Bookstore**—We are open Monday–Friday 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., MidWeek Wednesdays 9:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m., and Sunday 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

**Women’s Precept Study**—Our study of Romans will continue till the end of January. On Thurs., Feb. 6 we begin I Samuel. Books are $20 in Women’s Ministry office.

**Mommy & Me Ballet classes**—Begins this Thurs., Jan. 16 from 9:30–10:15 a.m. (8 sessions). Toddlers, come dance with your favorite adult! To sign up, go to briarwood.org/ballet/mommy-me.

**Embers to a Flame Conference**—Jan. 16–19. Volunteers are needed to provide transportation for conference attendees and seminary students. Please contact Kim at kvice@briarwood.org to volunteer.

**Birmingham Rally and March for Life**—Sat., Jan. 18 at 10:45 a.m. at Brother Bryan Park (22nd St. S. at 10th Ave). Come march for life, rain or shine. Families are welcome!

**Diapers and Wipes Drive**—Place your bag of donations behind your car Sunday morning, Jan. 19 to benefit Bundles of Hope, a local non-profit supporting food banks, foster ministries and adoption groups. Call Amy at 205-776-5364.

**Fostering Hope** is our ministry to prospective and current foster parents and foster children. You may not be able to be a foster parent, but you can foster hope. Begins this month. Contact David Wells for info at 205-587-9553.

**Dementia Patient Caregivers Support Group**—Come Tues., Jan. 21 from 11:00 a.m.–noon in A201 for sharing concerns and practical strategies. Call Pastoral Care at 205-776-5227.

**BTS Spring semester**—Registration open; classes begin Jan. 21. Earn a degree or audit a class for your personal enrichment. Too busy to commit to class every week? Distance education and video conference courses available. Call 205-776-5356 or visit bts.education for information.

**YBL Second Half Rally with Rick Burgess**—Thurs., Jan. 23, 6:30 p.m. in the FH. Come hear the co-host of the Rick and Bubba Show. No cost; register at 205-776-5450 or online at briarwood.org/ybl.

**Special Pastor’s Inquirer’s weekend class**—Jan. 24–26 with sessions Friday from 6:00–8:00 p.m., Saturday from 8:00 a.m.–noon, Sunday from 9:30–10:30 a.m. and a required luncheon (Feb. 2) for those planning to join. Nursery available for all classes. Attending the class does not require you to join, but it is required that you attend before joining. To sign up, call 205-776-5208 or email wlong@briarwood.org.

**Sportsman’s Blast**—Exhibition/Dinner/Presentation coming Feb. 7 with guest speaker, Russell Thornberry—avid outdoorsman, noted author and ordained minister. Invite family and friends to this outstanding gospel presentation. Tickets in the Bookstore and at briarwood.org/blast.

**Trailblazers Trip**—Sept. 2–10. Explore beautiful Tuscany (touring from one hotel). Contact Dave Matthews at 205-776-5211 or dmatthews@briarwood.org.

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

**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.
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.

*S 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 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
4:30 p.m. Youth Choir - Choir Room
* 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship - Worship Center
6:00 p.m. BYG and Raiders D-Groups - The Barn

MONDAY
6:30 a.m. MOC Bible Study - FH-E&F
9:30 a.m. L.O.V.E. Ministry - Flower Room

TUESDAY
* 9:30 a.m. Women’s Studies - G101; FH-A
10:00 a.m. Caroline Circle - Caroline House
6:30 p.m. CMMA Tuesday Night Fellowship - Simpsons’
6:15 p.m. Women’s Study - G103

WEDNESDAY
6:30 a.m. MOC Bible Study - FH-F
10:00 a.m. Dr. Barker’s Bible Study - A105
10:00 a.m. Knitting Ministry - A205
5:30 p.m. Fellowship Dinner - FH
* 6:30 p.m. MidWeek Classes and Activities for all ages
6:30 p.m. Raiders Rally - The Barn
7:00 p.m. BYG @ The Barn - The Barn

THURSDAY
* 9:30 a.m. Women’s Bible Study: Worship - Caroline House
* 9:30 a.m. Women’s Precept Bible Study - A209
* 9:30 a.m. Prayer for Our Nation - Women: Prayer Rm/Men: W203

FRIDAY
6:30 a.m. MOC Bible Study - FH-F
* 9:30 a.m. Women’s Bible Study: Joshua - A209

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

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Introduction:

Stewardship – An Identity

Stewardship – A Vocation
Life Takeaways