

Presbyterian Church, PCA



#### Morning Services of Divine Worship - March 27, 2022

#### Worship Leaders

Dr. Harry L. Reeder III, Pastor/Teacher Mr. Bruce Stallings, Executive Pastor Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor

Mr. Hunter Goff, Organist Rev. Daniel Cason, Pianist

#### THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*I will thank You in the great congregation; in the mighty throng I will praise You. Psalm* 35:18

#### The Call to Worship and Preparation from the Psalms Psalm 18:30

[All:] This God – His way is perfect; the Word of the Lord proves true; He is a shield for all those who take refuge in Him.

 The Prelude and Time of Meditation and Confession
 "Be Still, My Soul" (Sibelius)

 Hunter Goff, organ

Gracious Heavenly Father, we acknowledge this day that You are the Giver of every good and perfect gift, and the Sustainer of our lives. We humbly come before You, recognizing the presence of sin in our hearts, and knowing that You have graciously given Your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to pay the price and bear the penalty for our sin. We confess our sin before You now, and gratefully accept Your full and complete pardon. Free us to worship You now in Spirit and Truth, with joy and celebration, and tune our hearts and fit our lives to live to the praise of Your glory and the advancement of Your Kingdom.

#### The Invocation

The Gospel Word of Salvation

The Reception of New Members (10:55)

The Greeting of Grace and Peace\*

The Hymn of Ascents\* "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" Hymn 477 (arr. Berg)

#### The Confession of Truth\*

- [Leader:] For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned.
- [All:] For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them.

Romans 12:3-6

#### THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE

Seek the LORD while He may be found; call upon Him while He is near... Isaiah 55:6

#### The Pastoral Prayer of Intercession

#### THE ADORATION OF GOD'S GLORY

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD! Psalm 150:6

#### The Presentation and Consecration of God's Tithe 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 Musical Offering of Worship

Sanctuary Choir

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

"Living Hope" (Johnson / Wickham)

#### 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\*†

The Exposition of God's Word

VIII. Spiritual Gifts in Biblical Perspective Discovering, Developing and Deploying Our Spiritual Gifts "Spiritual Gifts - Unity in Diversity" Ephesians 4:1-16

#### THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I Corinthians 1:3

The Pastoral Benediction\*

The Congregational Affirmation\*

"We Will Feast in the House of Zion" (McCracken / Moore)

\*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. The 8:00 a.m. service is also "signed" each week in the Worship Center.

> Sunday morning services are broadcast live on WLJR 88.5 FM. The 8:00 and 10:55 a.m. services are available online at briarwood.org/livestream. Texts used with permission granted through CCLI License agreement 124545. Scripture quotations are from the Holy Bible, English Standard Version.

"The Doxology with Alleluias"

Ephesians 4:1-16

Pastor Reeder

Postlude

"At the Name of Jesus" (Jernigan / Berry)

Fellowship of Worship

	Evening Service of Praise and Proclamation – 6:00 p.m.
Prelude	Daniel Cason
Welcome	Stephen King
Call to Worshi	p Psalm 18:46
[All:]	The Lord lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation.
Prayer of Invo	cation
Songs of Praise Announcemen	<i>"King of Kings"</i> (Ligertwood / Ingram) • <i>"All I Have Is Christ"</i> (Kauflin) Chris Neugent, Worship Leader
Offertory Pray	er
Offertory	<i>"Hymn of Heaven"</i> (Johnson / Wickham)
Scripture	I Corinthians 7
Sermon	Pastor Reeder
"B	XVII. God's Blueprint in Biblical Perspective <i>Foundations From Genesis</i> iblical Masculinity and Femininity and Singleness – Part 2" I Corinthians 7
Benediction*	
Doxology*	John Haines
Postlude	

**Morning Worship** – The Lord's Day morning worship services are live and in person at 8:00 and 10:55 a.m. They are also streamed on the Briarwood Website, Facebook Live, Apple TV, Roku and the Briarwood App. For more info go to briarwood.org/watch.

**Sunday School Communities** – Sunday School for all ages is at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday. For a complete list of classes go to briarwood.org/sundayschool.

**Evening Worship** – Evening worship is at 6:00 p.m., and is also streamed on the Briarwood Website, Facebook Live, Apple TV, Roku and the Briarwood App.

### Announcements

Women's Spring Brunch registration deadline is today! Join us Saturday, April 9, from 9:30–11:30 a.m. in the FH for food, fellowship and to hear Elizabeth Ellerbee share with us about "Finding Balance for Busy Women." Register at briarwood.org/springbrunch. Cost is \$8.

You are invited to a Farewell Dinner Reception for Associate Pastor Phil Reddick on Thursday, April 7, at 6:30 p.m. at The Club. Registration and information can be found at ybl.org/events. Hosted by Young Business Leaders.

**Briarwood Golf Fellowship and Outreach**—Invite a friend to join you at the Bent Brook Golf Course on Wednesday, April 27. Register at questrecreation.org or call 205-776-5237.

**Mission Trip to Spain**—Help assist the set up for the summer season at Camp L'Arcada. Openings are still available for two mission trips: April 29–May 7 or May 6–14. All ages welcome! Text or email Dave Wood at 205-306-0504 or dwood35216@gmail.com.

VBS 2022–June 6–10. We are busy making plans for this summer! If you are interested in volunteering, email Raleigh Macoy at rmacoy@briarwood.org. Nursery also needs volunteers. For more info and to sign up, go to briarwood.org/nursery. Mark your calendar and make plans to attend. Registration will open mid-April at briarwood.org/vbs.

**Trailblazers Travel**—June 13–15 to The Cove in Asheville, North Carolina. The guest speaker will be Voddie Baucham, Jr., author of *Fault Lines* and *Expository Apologetics*. For more information, contact Sharon at sjohnston@briarwood.org or 205-776-5320.

**Nursery Volunteer Team**—The nursery needs church members to volunteer to be part of the new Nursery Volunteer Team. If you are interested, contact Alison at acraig@briarwood.org.

**Donate to Briarwood's Ukraine Relief Fund** to send help in this time of great need. Write a check payable to Briarwood Presbyterian Church with "Ukraine Relief" in the memo line. Through the use of Briarwood's Disaster Relief Fund, your donation will go directly to provide aid and support to those affected by the Ukrainian crisis.

The Peddler is back for pick up at one of several kiosks around the church. Submit your ad to briarwood.org/peddler. Contact Wendy Long at wlong@briarwood.org or 205-776-5208.

Join your Briarwood family for the Spring quarter of MidWeek with new opportunities for the entire family. Come together on Wednesdays for a Fellowship Dinner and to take part in a class or activity. See all the offerings for spring 2022, as well as sign up for dinner and Nursery reservations on the Briarwood App or at briarwood.org/midweek. Make Wednesday evenings a time your family looks forward to every week!

### New Job openings-

**Director of Accounting.** Seeking a qualified accountant with a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting, CPA preferred. Experience and knowledge of generally accepted accounting principles and procedures, budgeting, and personnel procedures required. Strong communication and interpersonal skills a plus. Send résumé to Matt Moore at mmoore@briarwood.org.

**High School Summer Employment.** Church Grounds position for Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Great fellowship, atmosphere, and a tan! Contact Robert Clifton at 205-776-5234 or relifton@briarwood.org for an application.

See all the current job opportunities for Briarwood ministries and ministry partners at briarwood.org/employment to find details on open positions as well as how to apply.

# 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.

Prayers and Praises

Praise the Lord! He who dwells in the shadow of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord "He is my refuge and fortress, my God, in whom I trust." Psalm 91:1, 2

Pray for people throughout the world who are being oppressed and for their courage, wisdom, safety and strength. Pray especially for those in Ukraine-may God's hand be upon them and protect them.

Pray for Grace House Ministries as several girls have run away from the home. Pray for these girls to see the hope found in Christ and for the Lord to sustain those called to minister to these young ladies. (The flag of Birmingham is featured in today's worship service.)

## Opportunities for Ministry and Growth

Dedicate an Easter Lily in memory or honor of someone special. Purchased lilies will be placed in the Worship Center on Easter Sunday and may be picked them up after the 10:55 a.m. service. Order now online at briarwood.org/lily or drop by the Membership Office (A101). The deadline for all orders is Sunday, April 3.

Prayerfully consider how you can participate in what God is doing around the globe through Briarwood! You can still make your Faith Promise pledge by turning in your card during today's services, emailing it to faithpromise@briarwood.org, sending it by mail, or giving online at briarwood.org/faithpromise.

### Our Church Family

Hospitalized: Charles Crabbe, Terry Chase, Buddy Runnels, Phyllis Walton, Gay Wright

We rejoice with French and Bethany Forbes on the birth of their son, Colin French, on Mar. 17, and with grandparents John and Jenny Haines and French and Lauren Forbes and great-grandfather French Forbes, Jr.

Our love and sympathy to Brian Whittier and family on the death of his mother, Audrey Whittier, on Mar. 13; and to Linda Smedley, Sarah Boyd and family on the death of their mother and grandmother, Linda Gardner, on Mar. 16.

The flowers in the Worship Center are given to the glory of God in celebration of the 70th wedding anniversary of Doug and Neal Askew.

Welcome these new members: Ryan and Laura Church, Sonny Isbell, Dexter McFarlin, Matthew and Taylor Michel, James and Jamie Robinson, Minda Widich.