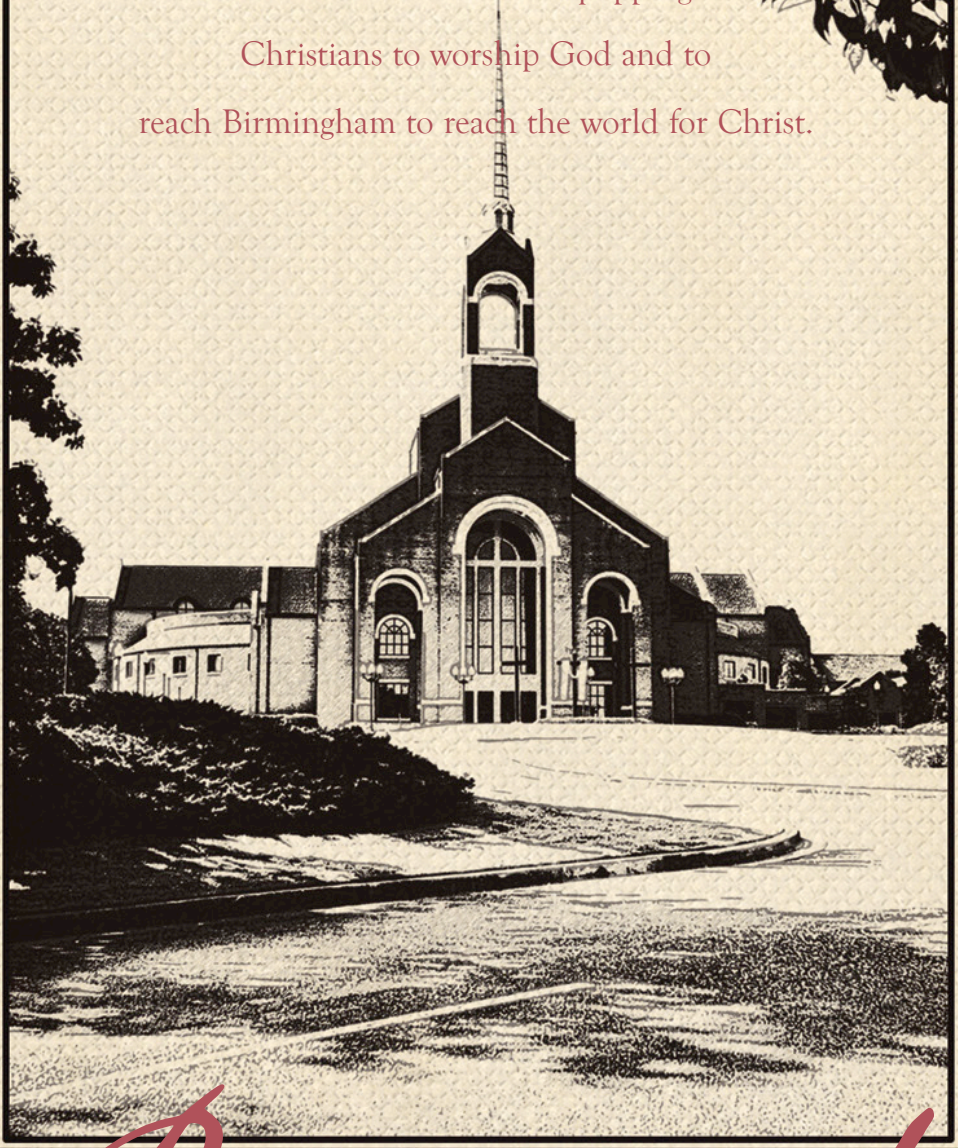




For God's glory,
we are committed to equipping
Christians to worship God and to
reach Birmingham to reach the world for Christ.



Briarwood
Presbyterian Church, PCA



Celebration of Worship

Morning Services of Divine Worship – April 3, 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

...not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. Hebrews 10:25

Call to Worship and Preparation from the Psalms

Psalm 136:26

All: Give thanks to the God of heaven, for His steadfast love endures forever.

Prelude and Time of Meditation and Confession

“Psalm 19” (Marcello)

Hunter Goff, Organist

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.

Invocation

Gospel Word of Salvation

Sacrament of Baptism

Greeting of Grace and Peace*

Hymn of Ascents*

“And Can It Be” Hymn 203 vv. 1, 3, 5

The Confession of Truth*

Psalm 68:18

All: You ascended on high, leading a host of captives in Your train and receiving gifts among men, even among the rebellious, that the LORD God may dwell there.

THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE

...do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. Philippians 4:6

Pastoral Prayer of Intercession

THE ADORATION OF GOD'S GLORY

...addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart... Ephesians 5:19

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

Musical Offering of Worship

"To God Be the Glory" Hymn 66 (arr. Berg)
Sanctuary Choir

Singing of Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs*

"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death" (Papa / Boswell)

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness... II Timothy 3:16

Prayer of Illumination*

New Testament Reading*†

Ephesians 4:1-16

Exposition of God's Word

Pastor Reeder

VIV. Spiritual Gifts in Biblical Perspective

Discovering, Developing and Deploying Our Spiritual Gifts
"Spiritual Gifts, Unity in Diversity – Part 2"
Ephesians 4:1-16

THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. Romans 15:13

Pastoral Benediction*

Congregational Affirmation*

"All for Jesus" Hymn 368 (vv. 1, 4)

Postlude

"Once to Every Man and Nation" (Williams)

*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.

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Fellowship of Worship

Evening Service of Praise and Proclamation – 6:00 p.m.

Prelude	Daniel Cason
Choral Introit	“Follow Me” Chamber Ensemble
Welcome	Seth Richardson
Call to Worship	Psalm 138:2
All:	I bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for your steadfast love and Your faithfulness, for You have exalted above all things Your name and Your word.
Prayer of Invocation	
Songs of Praise*	“O Worship the King” Hymn 10 “Indescribable” (Story) • “Behold Our God” (Baird / Altrogge) Shane Davis, Worship Leader
Announcements	
Offertory Prayer	
Offertory	“It Is Well with My Soul” Hymn 493 Aimee Weaver, Soloist
Sermon and Scripture	Pastor Reeder
	XVIII. God’s Blueprint in Biblical Perspective <i>Foundations From Genesis</i> “Biblical Masculinity and Femininity and Singleness – Part 3” I Corinthians 7
Benediction*	
Doxology*	
Postlude	John Haines

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

Palm Sunday Children's Triumphant Entry—Next Sunday in the morning worship services, all K4–6th grade are invited to take part in the palm branch entry and sing “*Jesus Loves Me.*” Children will line up at the ramp, between the Worship Center Lobby and Chapel, 15 minutes before each service. After the processional, they will go to children’s worship.

Young Business Leaders invite you 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.

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.

VBS 2022—Make plans to attend June 6–10. Register at briarwood.org/vbs. 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.

Trailblazers Day Trip—Friday, April 8 at 10:30 a.m. Meet us for a tour of Petals From The Past. Cost is \$12 for lunch and the program. Details at briarwood.org/trailblazers. Contact Sharon at 205-776-5320 or sjohnston@briarwood.org.

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.

Free Pickleball Clinic—Saturday, April 9 from 10:00 a.m.–noon in the Gym. Clinic taught by Landon Gray. Reserve your spot at questrecreation.org.

Donate to Briarwood's Ukraine Relief Fund—Write a check payable to Briarwood Presbyterian Church with “Ukraine Relief” in the memo line. Through Briarwood’s Disaster Relief Fund, donations will go directly to provide aid to those in 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.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study—Dave Matthews leads a study of Nehemiah in A-105-A on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

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.

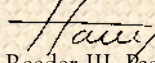
New Direction Ministry Thrift Store Manager. Part-time position for a Briarwood member with a heart to share the Gospel, recruit volunteers and manage the retail aspects of the Fairfield store. Send an inquiry or resume to pclaud@briarwood.org.

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.

For Christ, His Cross and His Crown,



Harry L. Reeder III, Pastor/Teacher

Prayers *and* Praises

Praise the Lord! *Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths.* Proverbs 3:5, 6

Pray for the protection and safety of all those throughout the world who are struggling. Pray for God to cover them with His grace and lead them to Himself.

Pray for our International Women's Tea on April 7 as we welcome women from around the world. Pray that we will connect, serve, and build friendships during this outreach event. *(The flag of Birmingham is featured in today's worship service.)*

Opportunities *for* Ministry *and* Growth

This is the final week to participate in what God is doing around the globe through Briarwood! 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.

Women's Spring Brunch registration deadline is today! Join other women at Briarwood on Saturday, April 9, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the FH. Don't miss this time of food, fellowship and the opportunity to hear Elizabeth Ellerbee share about "Finding Balance for Busy Women." Register at briarwood.org/springbrunch. Cost is \$8.

Holy Week is a special time at Briarwood. From Palm Sunday on April 10 through Easter Sunday on April 17, we have worship services to recognize this sacred time of celebration. Go to briarwood.org/easter to see the Holy Week schedule.

Easter Lily sales end today! Dedicate a lily to be placed in the Worship Center in memory or honor of someone special for Easter Sunday. Order online at briarwood.org/lily. We must have your order by midnight tonight!

Our Church Family

Hospitalized: Mary Sue McClurkin, Eric Messer, Buddy Runnels, Phyllis Walton

Welcome these new members who joined last week: Nathan and Danae Lloyd.