

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

Morning Services of Divine Worship – Resurrection Lord’s Day, April 17, 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

And all who believed were together and had all things in common. Acts 2:44

Call to Worship and Preparation from the Psalms

Psalm 16:10–11

All: **For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let Your holy one see corruption. You make known to me the path of life; in Your presence there is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

Prelude and Time of Meditation and Confession

“See, What a Morning” (Getty / Townend)

Praise Team and Orchestra

Life-giving God, quicken me to call upon Your Name, for my mind is ignorant, my thoughts vagrant, my affections earthly, my heart unbelieving and only Your Spirit can help my infirmities. I approach You as Father and Friend, my portion forever, my exceeding joy, my strength of heart. I believe in You as the God of nature, the ordainer of providence, the sender of Jesus, my Savior. My guilty fears discourage an approach to You, but I praise You for the blessed news that Jesus reconciles me to You.
adapted from *The Valley of Vision*

Invocation

Gospel Word of Salvation

Greeting of Grace and Peace*

Hymn of Resurrection*

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” (Rutter)

The Confession of Truth*

The Apostles’ Creed

Leader: *Christian, what do you believe?*

All: **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From there He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy *catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE

They will call upon My name, and I will answer them. Zechariah 13:9

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

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

Musical Offering of Worship

"Yahweh" (Stefanovich)
Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra

Singing of Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs*

"Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed" (Cash / Getty)

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*†

I Corinthians 15

Exposition of God's Word

Pastor Reeder

V. Holy Week in Biblical Perspective

Resurrection Lord's Day

"Resurrection – Reality – Redemption"

I Corinthians 15

THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

For the Love of Christ controls us... II Corinthians 5:14a

Pastoral Benediction*

Congregational Affirmation*

"The Day of Resurrection" Hymn 226 v. 1

Postlude

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" (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.

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.

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Fellowship of Worship

Resurrection Evening Worship Recital – 6:00 p.m.

Prelude Daniel Cason

Welcome John Haines

Call to Worship Psalm 149:1–2

Leader: *Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song, His praise in the assembly of the godly!*

All: **Let Israel be glad in his Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!**

Prayer of Invocation

Greeting

Resurrection Worship Recital

Ron Philley, Volunteer Assistant Worship Leader

Elizabeth Jordan, Volunteer Assistant Worship Leader

Shane Davis, Volunteer Assistant Worship Leader

Angie and Chris Neugent;
Chris Neugent, Orchestral Director

Hunter Goff, Organist

Daniel Cason and Guest Artists;
Daniel Cason, Pianist

Kimberly Cater Jones, Soprano
Janis Nichol, Flutist

Benediction* Pastor Reeder

Congregational Response* “*He Lives*” Hymn 220 v. 1

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

Officer Nominations—Deacon and Elder nominations for the Class of 2025 will be accepted from the congregation during the month of May. Nominating forms will be available on Sunday, May 1, at the various information stations throughout the church. The deadline for nominations is Tuesday, May 31, 2022.

Trailblazers—Tuesday, April 26, join us for a free showing of *American Underdog*, the Kurt Warner story, at Cahaba Ridge in the Theatre at 1:00 p.m. Contact Sharon at 205-776-5320 or sjohnston@briarwood.org for more information.

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.

Vacation Bible School will be June 6–10 from 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. each day and is open to Briarwood members and visitors. Come learn each day about being a new creation in Christ from II Corinthians 5:17. Register 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.

High Schoolers job opportunity—Briarwood Grounds Department is looking for summer help. The schedule is Monday–Friday from 7:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m. Contact Robert Clifton at 205-776-5234 or rclifton@briarwood.org.

Christian Medical Ministry Mission Trip Needs—Donate new ibuprofen (200 mg), acetaminophen (500 mg), and cough+cold medicine for a medical trip to the Dominican Republic. Contact CMMA with questions at 205-776-5470.

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.

Briarwood Christian School Teachers. Full-time positions available in the Lower School Elementary (3rd–6th grades). Send a cover letter and resume and/or questions to bcsemployment@bcsk12.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.

email: info@briarwood.org — website: briarwood.org

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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! *The angel said to the women. "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for He has risen, as He said..."* Matthew 28:5, 6

Welcome and pray for our many visitors today as we rejoice and praise our Lord for His completed promise, His resurrection.

Pray for the international students in Birmingham who are experiencing their first Easter service today. Pray for God to powerfully use the love of His people and the proclamation of His Gospel to bring many of them to Him. (*The flag of Birmingham is featured in today's worship service.*)

Opportunities *for* Ministry *and* Growth

Make plans to attend the Gospel Reformation Network National 2022 Conference on Wednesday, May 4 through Thursday, May 5. This two-day conference, here at Briarwood, will be a wonderful time of worship, teaching, and fellowship. Members get a reduced ticket price of \$10. Find information and the link to purchase tickets at briarwood.org/grn22.

Join the Briarwood Ballet this spring for two great presentations. The Junior Ballet will perform "Praise Him All You Little Children" on April 23 in the Worship Center with K4/K5 at 1:30 p.m., and 1st/2nd grade at 3:30 p.m. This is a free event. On May 7-8, the Briarwood Ballet will perform "The Promise" at Briarwood High School. Tickets will go on sale Friday, April 15. Go to briarwood.org/balletevents for more information and ticket purchases.

Volunteer for VBS this summer June 6-10! There are still many spots open for volunteers and helpers. If you are interested, please email Raleigh Macoy at rmacoy@briarwood.org. To sign-up as a Nursery volunteer go to briarwood.org/nursery.

Our Church Family

Hospitalized: Mary Sue McClurkin, Buddy Runnels, Phyllis Walton, Laura Comoglio, Bob Hand, Bob Stallings

Our love and sympathy to Joyce Scott and family on the death of her husband, member Bill Scott, on Apr. 6; and to Clete Hux and family on the death of his sister, Debra Hux Sills, on Apr. 6.