

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 – August 7, 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

*Let them extol Him in the congregation of the people,
and praise Him in the assembly of the elders. Psalm 107:32*

Call to Worship and Preparation from the Psalms

Psalm 11:7

All: For the Lord is righteous; He loves righteous deeds;
the upright shall behold His face.

Prelude and Time of Meditation and Confession

"If God Be For Us Who Can Be Against Us" Romans 8:31

Laura Looper, Soloist

(Please come forward for the Ten-Minute Choir)

*O Great I am, I acknowledge and confess that all things come of You—life, breath, happiness, advancement, sight, touch, hearing, goodness, truth, beauty—all that makes existence amiable. In the spiritual world also I am dependent entirely upon You. Give me grace to know more of my need of grace; Show me my sinfulness that I may willingly confess it; Reveal to me my weakness that I may know my strength in You. adapted from *The Valley of Vision**

Choral Introit

"Like a River Glorious" Hymn 494

Ten-Minute Summer Choir

Invocation

Gospel Word of Salvation

Greeting of Grace and Peace*

Hymn of Ascents*

"Our Great Savior" Hymn 89 (vv. 1, 5)

The Confession of Truth*

Galatians 2:20

All: I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Leader: *The Word of the Lord.*

All: Thanks be to God!

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

*Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness!
Come into His presence with singing! Psalm 100:1-2*

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

Singing of Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs*

*"Only a Holy God"
"Lord, I Need You"*

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*†

Romans 6:1-4

Exposition of God's Word

Pastor Reeder

XXXIX. Romans in Biblical Perspective

The Gospel of God

"Paul's Theological Response to Gospel Heresy"

Romans 6:1-4

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*

"The Doxology with Alleluias"

Postlude

"Trust and Obey"

*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

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

Prelude

Welcome

Ray Tucker

Call to Worship

Psalm 119:4–6

Leader: *You have commanded Your precepts to be kept diligently.*

All: Oh that my ways may be steadfast in keeping Your statutes! Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all Your commandments.

Prayer of Invocation

Songs of Praise*

“Christ Our Hope in Life and Death”

“There Is One Gospel”

Shane Davis, Assistant Leader of Worship

Announcements

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

“Only Jesus / Calvary’s Love”

Korey Cox, Soloist

Scripture and Sermon

Pastor Reeder

XXVI. God’s Blueprint in Biblical Perspective

Foundations From Genesis

The Family: Parenting – Part 3

Ephesians 6:1–4

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

International Friendship Partner Orientation — Tuesday, August 9. Join Friendship Partners this Fall! It's a great way to use your spiritual gifts and build cross-cultural friendships. Contact Caroline at cbrown@briarwood.org for information and to apply.

Special Needs Resource Fair — Monday, August 15, 6:30–8:30 p.m. The Special Connections Ministry will host a Special Needs Resource Fair to connect people with special needs and their families to services in their city, county, and state. Free and open to anyone who has a disability and their parents/caretakers. For details contact Michael Johnson at mjohnson@briarwood.org.

Join the Choir! — Beginning Wednesday, August 17. For info, go to signupforchoir.com.

“Wait No More” — Saturday, August 20 at Valleydale Church. Join Focus on the Family, in conjunction with Lifeline Children's Services, for this free event where you can learn about foster care and adoption, and practical ways you can support foster and adoptive families. For details go to “Events” on the Briarwood App.

Mad Hatter Tea Party — Saturday, August 27. Briarwood Women, come enjoy each other's company around a cup of tea. We will have an opportunity to reacquaint ourselves with our Briarwood sisters; some giveaways and a special guest! Sign up at briarwood.org/women.

Briarwood Soccer Registration — Soccer registration is open for boys and girls age 5–15, register and find info at briarwoodsoccer.com or call 205.776.5114.

Children's Sunday School New Year — If you plan to hold your child back for the 2022–23 school year, please let us know so we can place him/her in the appropriate Sunday School class for the fall. Email Raleigh at rmacoy@briarwood.org.

Short-Term Spain Mission Trip — Prayerfully consider joining the 6th Annual Mission Work Team to Camp L'Arcada on October 2–9 or 2–14. If interested, please contact Ken Kirby at rkkirby@samford.edu or Dave Wood at dwood35216@gmail.com.

Post-Abortive Small Groups — Are you struggling with past hurts relating to an abortion experience? There is hope and healing through the “Forgiven and Set Free” Bible study. Small groups are forming now. Contact Heather Payne, post-abortive facilitator, at 205-529-8875.

Attendance Sheet Collection Volunteers Needed — Membership needs volunteers to help gather attendance sheets after each Sunday service. Volunteers are assigned to a monthly off/on rotation and it only takes about 5–10 minutes. If you are interested in helping, contact Angie at 205-776-5387 or aneugent@briarwood.org.

Job Openings — See the current job opportunities for Briarwood ministries and ministry partners at briarwood.org/employment as well as how to apply:

Pastor of Pastoral Care — Candidate will provide pastoral care, leadership, and resources to ensure the proper pastoral care for our members and their families. An interested candidate should inquire with resume to Patti Claud at pclaud@briarwood.org.

Administrative Assistants & Part-time Staff — There are a number of full and part-time positions open in the following ministries: Board Directed Ministries, YBL Ministries, Music Worship, Nursery, Special Connections Ministry, and Church Facilities.

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! *Preserve me, O God, for in You I take refuge. I say to the LORD, "You are my LORD, I have no good apart from You."* Psalm 16:1, 2

Pray this week for the participants of our Youth Ministry Impact Weekend. Pray for them to remember what they learned at the Retreat. Pray for opportunities to share their faith with friends and for much growth in their lives this year. Pray for their protection, direction, wisdom and courage.

Praise the Lord for our growing Lampstand Teaching Team. Drs. Tom Hawkes and Sandy Willson will lead sessions at our 2023 Lampstand Conference in January. Lampstand now features two additional ministry tracks, Church Planting (Dr. Hawkes) and Church Acceleration (Dr. Willson). Pray for their preparation and interaction with conference attendees. (The flag of Birmingham is featured in today's worship service.)

Opportunities *for* Ministry *and* Growth

"Fools for Christ" Ligonier Conference — August 12–13. Join us for "Fools for Christ," a Ligonier conference here at Briarwood. Join us as we consider God's perfect wisdom in the gospel and in the Christian life, we can be better prepared to withstand opposition with courageous faith. Though serving the Lord may cost us everything in this world, compromise will cost immeasurably more. Speakers will include Dr. Harry L. Reeder III, Dr. Burk Parsons and Dr. Derek Thomas. For additional information and to register with the discounted Briarwood Member rate, go to briarwood.org/Ligonier.

Our Church Family

Hospitalized — Bob Hand, Terry Chase, Mary Sue McClurkin

Our love and sympathy — to the family of member Peggy Fortier on her death on July 28; and to Jess Merkle and family on the death of her grandmother, Marilyn Merkle, on July 28.

The flowers in the Worship Center are given to the glory of God in memory of Jeff Travis and Debbie Muir from the wedding of Claire Travis and Loring Muir on Saturday, July 9.