



Briarwood
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Morning Services of Divine Worship – Sunday, February 12, 2023

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

Call to Worship and Preparation from the Psalms

Psalm 59:16

All: I will sing of Your strength; I will sing aloud of Your steadfast love
in the morning.

Prelude and Time of Meditation and Confession

"This Is My Song"

Audrey Jowers, Kellie Stewart and Denise Wichlan, Trio

To You, O Lord, I lift up my soul; in You alone do I trust, O my God. Remember, O Lord, Your great mercy and love, for they are from of old. Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; according to Your love remember me, for You are good, O Lord. For the sake of Your name forgive my iniquity, for it is great. Look upon my affliction and my distress and take away all my sins. Guard my life and rescue me; let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in You. These things I ask in the strong name of Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Invocation

Sacrament of Baptism

Gospel Word of Salvation

Greeting of Grace and Peace*

Hymns of Ascents*

"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" Hymn 280 (vv. 1, 5)

The Confession of Truth*

Acts 1:8

All: But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

Leader: *The Word of the Lord.*

All: Thanks be to God!

THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE

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

Ministry Opportunities for Prayer

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

Musical Offering of Worship

"O Word of God Incarnate"

Singing of Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

"My Soul Will Wait (Psalm 62)"
Shane Davis, Worship Assistant

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*†

Matthew 9:35–38

Exposition of God's Word

Pastor Reeder

IV. Project Andrew:

Bring Them to Him

"Project Andrew and Earnest Prayer"

Matthew 9:35–38

Song of Response

"It Is No Secret What God Can Do"
Daniel Cason, Soloist

THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*...to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations,
forever and ever. Amen. Ephesians 3:21*

Pastoral Benediction*

Postlude

*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

“Lord, You’re Holy”
Briarwood Youth Choir

Welcome

Chad Escue

Call to Worship

Psalm 93:5

All: Your decrees are very trustworthy; holiness befits Your house,
O LORD, forevermore.

Prayer of Invocation

Songs of Praise*

“He Will Hold Me Fast”
“Blessed Be Your Name”
Shane Davis, Worship Leader

Announcements

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

“The Lord Is My Light and My Salvation”
Ruth Beenken and Daniel Cason, Soloists

Scripture and Sermon

Pastor Reeder

X. Zechariah In Biblical Perspective
“Vision 6: The Flying Scroll”
Vision 7: A Woman in the Basket”
Zechariah 5

Benediction*

Doxology*

John Haines

Postlude

GREETING FROM THE PASTOR

We’re delighted you are worshiping 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.

–Harry L. Reeder III, Pastor/Teacher

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Persecuted Church Prayer — Today at 5:00 p.m. in G103. All are welcome to join the Persecuted Church Prayer Team for prayer.

Global Ministries Conference Volunteering — February 26–March 5. There are numerous ways you can help, including housing, transportation, baking, volunteering and praying. Contact Heather at 205-776-5279 or hmcDougall@briarwood.org.

Cards for Missionary Coffee — Tuesday, February 28. Write an encouragement card with a favorite verse or two to give to our visiting missionaries. Cards can be dropped off in the Women's Ministry Office (A106) between February 1–24.

Pastor's Inquirers' Class — This class for newcomers and prospective members begins March 8. It includes one Wednesday night class (March 8), one Saturday morning class (March 11), one Sunday morning class (March 12) and a luncheon, (March 19) for those who are joining. By attending, you are not obligated to join. For more information or to sign up for the class, call 205-776-5208 or email wlong@briarwood.org.

Graduate Information Needed — Attention, BYG and College graduating seniors, we want to effectively minister and recognize you! Please take a moment to fill out the information form on the website. High school seniors go to briarwood.org/seniors. College seniors go to briarwood.org/college.

Camp Briarwood Counselors — Camp Briarwood is looking for counselors for the 2023 Day and Overnight Camps this summer. Go to campbriarwood.org for information.

Briarwood Soccer — The spring soccer season is coming! Register boys and girls ages 5–14 at briarwoodsoccer.com or 205-776-5114.

Mission Trip Needs — Christian Medical Ministry is collecting donations of ibuprofen (adult, children and infant) and acetaminophen for its mission trips to the Dominican Republic this spring. Contact CMMA with questions at 205-776-5470.

Men's and Women's Winter/Spring Studies — Men of the Covenant and Women's studies offer both morning and evening classes for men and women this quarter. View men's classes at briarwood.org/men and women's studies at briarwood.org/women.

Midweek at Briarwood — Join us for dinner in the Fellowship Hall each Wednesday evening from 5:15–6:30 p.m. Classes and activities for the entire family start at 6:30 p.m. Find a list of classes and opportunities at briarwood.org/midweek.

EMPLOYMENT & JOB OPENINGS

Director of Counseling Ministry — The Director needs to be an experienced counselor with experience leading a counseling ministry and a commitment to counsel and train others in Biblical Counseling. He will either be ordained or ordainable in the PCA. Send resume to Patti Claud at pclaud@briarwood.org or call at 205-776-5282.

See all employment and job openings at briarwood.org/employment.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Global Ministries Conference — Briarwood Missions | February 26–March 5

At this year's Global Ministries Conference: "Tell the Wonderful Story," we will hear from speaker Dr. Sandy L. Willson, host missionary partners from all over the world and hear ministry stories from our International staff. The conference will conclude on March 5 with Faith Promise Sunday, when Briarwood members can turn in their Faith Promise commitment cards. See the full conference schedule online at briarwood.org/gmc.

GLOW — Children's Missions | February 26 – March 1

During the Global Ministries Conference, children will have the opportunity to hear from Ministry Partners from all around the world. There will be plenty of fun, games, trivia and music each night along with the great missions teaching. Bring your child to the auditorium Sunday night through Wednesday night. No registrations are required.

Women's Missionary Coffee — Briarwood Women | February 28

February 28 from 9:30–11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Register for the coffee at briarwood.org/women. Nursery available by reservation.

Men's Sporting Clay Outing — Men's Ministry | March 11

Men, come test your aim and join us for a time of brotherhood and fellowship Saturday, March 11 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Selwood Farm. The registration cost is only \$25, but space is limited. Register at briarwood.org/events.

Make nursery reservations for events at briarwood.org/nursery.

Stay up-to-date with upcoming events on the Briarwood App.

PRAYERS & CHURCH FAMILY

Local and Missions Prayer — Pray that those who make the world their first love will see the truth and come to our Heavenly Father through Jesus the Lord, our first love. Pray for the international students in Birmingham who are reading the Bible one-on-one with Briarwood members each week. Many of them have never heard the Gospel. As they read His Word, pray that Jesus would be revealed to them, and that they would have faith to believe. (The flag of Birmingham is featured in today's worship service.)

Hospitalized: Frank Barker III, Glenn Hodge, Patricia Putman, Shirley Turpin, Joy Blazer

We rejoice — with Steven and Laura Giddens on the birth of their daughter, Ruth Anne, on February 3, and with grandparents Barney and Regina Sims and Dave and Aileen Giddens.

Our love and sympathy — to Ryan Leib and family on the death of his grandmother, Kathryn Hartman Leib, on February 1; to Henry Drake and family on the death of his wife, member Anne Drake, on February 6; to Jan Clark and family on the death of her husband, member Hal Clark, on February 8; and to JoAnn Weston and family on the death of her husband, member Pete Weston, on February 8.

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