



*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 11, 2024

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## Worship Leaders

Dr. Dan Doriani, Interim Pastor

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 & Preparation from the Psalms

Psalm 103:23

All: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits, who forgives all  
your iniquity, who heals all your diseases.

## Prelude & Time of Meditation & Confession

*“Prelude in Classic Style”*

Briarwood Orchestra

*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 & Peace\*

## Hymn of Ascents\*

*“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”* Hymn 59

## The Confession of Truth\*

1 Peter 2:24

All: He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and  
live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed.

Leader: *The Word of the Lord.*

All: Thanks be to God!

THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE  
*Call to Me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and  
hidden things that you have not known. Jeremiah 33:3*

**Pastoral Prayer of Intercession**

THE ADORATION OF GOD'S GLORY  
*Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for He has done marvelous things! Psalm 98:1a*

**Presentation & Consecration of God's Tithe & Our Offerings**

**The Offertory** *"To the Lamb on the Throne"*

**Singing of Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs** *"Come to Jesus (Rest in Him)"  
"Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King"*

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\***

**The New Testament Reading\*†** Matthew 8:1–13

**Exposition of God's Word** Dr. Dan Doriani

*"Jesus Is the Compassionate Healer"*  
Matthew 8:1–13

THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE  
*And now I commend you to God and to the Word of His grace... Acts 20:32a*

**Congregational Affirmation\***

**Pastoral Benediction\***

**Postlude** *"Jesus Shall Reign"*

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\*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](http://briarwood.org/livestream).

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# FELLOWSHIP OF WORSHIP

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

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**Prelude** Hannah Brennan

**Welcome** Rob Looper

**Call to Worship** Psalm 45:17

All: I will cause Your Name to be remembered in all generations; therefore  
nations will praise You forever and ever.

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Songs of Praise\*** “Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery”  
“I Surrender All”  
“Jesus, Your Mercy”  
Hannah Brennan, Worship Associate

**Announcements**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Offertory** “With All Creation”  
Ron and Laney Philley, duet

**Scripture & Sermon** Rev. Byron West

“The God Who Cleans House”  
Luke 15:8–10

**Benediction\***

**Doxology\***

**Postlude**

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## WELCOME TO BRIARWOOD

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. We 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.

– The Briarwood Church Family

## FEATURED EVENTS

### **Global Ministries Conference — Briarwood Missions | February 25 – March 3 \***

This year we will be focused on “Making the Most of Every Opportunity” in our evangelistic ministry to others and in our personal walks with the Lord. Our keynote speaker will be Dr. Neil Stewart, and we will have the opportunity to hear and learn from our supported global ministry partners. Find additional information at [briarwood.org/gmc](http://briarwood.org/gmc).

### **GLOW — Children’s Missions | February 25–28**

During the Global Ministries Conference, children will have the opportunity to hear from ministry partners from all around the world. There will be fun, games, trivia and music each night along with great missions teaching. Bring your child to the Children’s Auditorium Sunday night through Wednesday night. No registrations are required.

### **Women’s Missionary Coffee — Briarwood Women | February 27 \***

Women, join us Tuesday, February 27 from 9:30–11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a time of fellowship and prayer for our visiting ministry partners. Register for the coffee at [briarwood.org/women](http://briarwood.org/women). Nursery available by reservation.

### **Faith Promise Sunday — Briarwood Missions | March 3 \***

During the Morning Worship Services, we will have the opportunity to place our Faith Promise Pledges at the feet of our ministry partners as they go back out into the world to spread the gospel and make disciples. Be in prayer, asking the Lord what He would have you pledge by faith to the Global Missions Fund. Return Sunday evening as we close out the conference in worship and hear the report of our Faith Promise giving.

\* Nursery is available for select events upon reservation at [briarwood.org/nursery](http://briarwood.org/nursery).  
Stay up-to-date with upcoming events on the Briarwood App.

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## PRAYERS & CHURCH FAMILY

**Briarwood and Missions Prayer Focus** — Pray for our Global Ministries Conference February 25–March 3. Pray for the final details being made, volunteers that are needed and the preparations of the ministry partners who are attending. Pray for Chris and Savannah Kitchen who serve with Mission to the World on a ministry team in southern England, where they have an outreach to Persians living in the United Kingdom. Pray for several Persians who are studying with Chris and responding to the Gospel as they learn and seek church membership.

**Hospitalized** — Rosine Feist, Annie Hall, Janice Hamil, Chuck Potter, Buddy Runnels, Den Terry, Gwen Cason, Kathy Lawrence, Chuck Potter, John Lathram

**Our Love and Sympathy** — to Charles Daniel and family on the death of his father, S. Daniel Samikanu, on February 3.

**We Rejoice** — with Charles and Shea Terry on the birth of their son, Charles ‘Den’ Roden IV, on January 29.



# MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**Cards for Missionary Coffee** — February 1–22. Write an encouragement card with a favorite verse or two to give to our visiting missionaries on Tuesday, February 27 at the Missionary Coffee. Cards can be dropped off in the Women's Ministry Office (A106).

**Special Persecuted Church Prayer** — Sunday, February 11 at 4:30 p.m. in the Chapel. You are invited to hear from a visiting missionary who serves in a country with the highest level of Christian persecution. Please join us for a time of sharing, Q & A, and prayer.

**Young Business Leaders Winter Breakfast** — Friday, February 16 from 6:30–7:45 a.m. at the Harbert Center (2019 4th Avenue North). Join us for our YBL Winter Breakfast to hear Judge Bill McCurine. To register and get more information, go to [bit.ly/YBLBreakfast](http://bit.ly/YBLBreakfast).

**Foster/Adoption Connection Meeting** — Wednesday, February 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Brides Room. Current and interested foster/adoption parents are invited to meet with like-minded families to encourage and equip one another. Email [w.carter.ralph@gmail.com](mailto:w.carter.ralph@gmail.com).

**Trailblazers Dinner** — Thursday, February 22 at 4:30 p.m. Enjoy dinner with music from Jay and the Elders, Briarwood's local band. Invite a friend. Get your tickets (\$10) online at [briarwood.org/trailblazers](http://briarwood.org/trailblazers), in the Bookstore or email [sjohnston@briarwood.org](mailto:sjohnston@briarwood.org).

**2024 College Missions Retreat** — Friday, February 23–Sunday, February 25 at The Barn. Kick off the weekend with dinner at 5:30 p.m. We will be connecting with our missionary speakers as we are challenged to spend our lives in service to Christ's Great Commission!

**VBS Volunteers Needed** — We need your help for this summer's VBS, June 3–7! If you are interested in volunteering, email Raleigh Macoy at [rmacoy@briarwood.org](mailto:rmacoy@briarwood.org). Child registration will open in April at [briarwood.org/vbs](http://briarwood.org/vbs).

**Sacrament of Baptism** — Infant Baptism is offered in our Sunday morning services. Contact Leigh Ann Reese at 205-776-5301 or [lreese@briarwood.org](mailto:lreese@briarwood.org) for available dates.

**MidWeek at Briarwood** — January 10 – April 24. Join us on Wednesdays for dinner in the Fellowship Hall from 5:15–6:30 p.m. Classes and activities start at 6:30 p.m. Find information, select an activity, and register for dinners at [briarwood.org/midweek](http://briarwood.org/midweek).

**Mission Trip Needs** — Christian Medical Ministry is collecting donations of ibuprofen (200mg), antifungal cream and 1% hydrocortisone cream for the spring, summer and fall Dominican Republic mission trips. Contact CMMA with questions at 205-776-5470.

**Job Opening: Membership Pastor** — Seeking a pastor to shepherd visitors and members into the life of our Church. Needs to relate well with people and have skills of leadership and management. Candidate must be ordained or ordainable in the PCA. Send resume to [pclaud@briarwood.org](mailto:pclaud@briarwood.org) or call 205-776-5282.

**Worship Center Flowers** – The flowers in the Worship Center are given to the glory of God in honor of the Bride's father, Lee Peed, from the wedding of Chesley Peed and Richard Kalehoff on February 10.