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# **CELEBRATION** OF WORSHIP

Global Ministries Conference – Sunday, March 3, 2024

#### 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 "I will tell of Your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing Your praise." Hebrews 2:12

#### Call to Worship & Preparation from the Psalms

All: Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol Him, all peoples! For great is His steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!

#### Prelude & Time of Meditation & Confession

"O God of grace, You have imputed my sin to my Substitute, and His righteousness to my soul. But in my Christian walk my best prayers are stained with sin; my confessions of wrong are so many; my receiving the Spirit is tainted with selfishness. I am always going into the far country, returning home a prodigal, crying, Father, forgive me, and You always bringing forth the best robe. May I never lose sight of the exceeding sinfulness of sin, the vast righteousness of salvation, the exceeding glory of Christ, and the exceeding wonder of grace." –from The Valley of Vision

Solo Introit (8:00)

Choral Introit (10:55)

Invocation

**Gospel Word of Salvation** 

Greeting of Grace & Peace\*

Hymn of Ascents\*

"Christ for the World We Sing" Trinity Hymnal

#### The Confession of Truth\*

Leader: I will extol You, my God and King, and bless Your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless You and praise Your name forever and ever.

- All: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and His greatness is unsearchable. One generation shall commend Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts.
- Leader: On the glorious splendor of Your majesty, and on Your wondrous works, I will meditate.

*"Here I Am, Lord"* Hunter Goff

Carrie Turner, Soloist

"This Little Light of Mine" Children's Choirs

Psalm 117:1-2

"How Beautiful are the Feet"

Psalm 145:1-7

All: They shall speak of the might of Your awesome deeds, and I will declare Your greatness. They shall pour forth the fame of Your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of Your righteousness.

> THE TESTIMONY OF GOD'S GRACE Let the redeemed of the LORD say so ... Psalm 107:2

#### **Testimony of Kingdom Ministry**

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

#### **Ministry Opportunities for Prayer**

#### **Pastoral Prayer of Intercession**

THE ADORATION OF GOD'S GLORY Sing praises to the LORD, for He has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. Isaiah 12:5

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

**Musical Offering of Worship** 

Singing of Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs\*

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD ... but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on His law he meditates day and night. Psalm 1:2

Prayer of Illumination\*

The New Testament Reading\*†

#### **Exposition of God's Word**

"Faith Living" Hebrews 11:1, 6 & Philippians 4:14-17

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

Prayer & Meditation for Faith Promise	
Reception of Faith Promise Pledges	<i>"Getting Ready"</i> Hannah Brennan, Worship Associate
Pastoral Benediction*	
Congregational Affirmation & Flag Recessional*	"Lift High the Cross" Hymn 304
Postlude	"In Christ Alone"

"Be Still and Know"

Hebrews 11:1, 6

Rev. Randy Pope

"Across the Lands"

from Psalm 46, Sanctuary Choir

## **FELLOWSHIP** OF WORSHIP

Global Ministries Conference – Evening Worship • 6:00 p.m.

Prelude	Youngmi Shin	
Welcome	Bryan Wintersteen	
Call to Worship	Psalm 96:1-4	
Hymn of Adoration*	"Far and Near the Fields Are Teeming" Korean Congregation Choir	
Prayer of Invocation	Sunghoon Shin	
Announcements		
Song of Praise*	<i>"Te Pido la Paz" (I Cry Out for Peace)</i> Hispanic Congregation Praise Team	
Offertory Prayer	Kotaro Hamamatsu	
Offertory	"O Jesus, I Have Promised" Japanese Congregation Choir	
Scripture & Sermon "Making the Mo Ephesians 5:1		
THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER Do this in remembrance of Me. Luke 22:19		
Hymn of Preparation*	"There Is a Redeemer" Hymn 206	
Corporate Confession of Sin		
Receiving of the Elements	Denise Wichlan, Soloist	
Closing Hymn*	"There Is a Redeemer" Hymn 206	
Faith Promise Announcement	Bryan Wintersteen	
Benediction in Multiple Languages*	Matthew 28:19-20	
Postlude		

\*The congregation is requested to stand, if able. †K4–3rd grade dismiss to the Children's Auditorium for Children's Worship.

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## FEATURED EVENTS

#### 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 prepare to go back out into the world to spread the gospel and make disciples. Return Sunday evening as we close out the conference in worship and hear the report of our Faith Promise giving.

#### Holy Week 2024 — Worship Services | March 24-31 \*

Remember and celebrate the death and resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ with us during this year's Holy Week at Briarwood. We will have Worship Services on Palm Sunday (March 24), an evening Communion Service on Maundy Thursday (March 28), a Service of Reflection at noon on Good Friday (March 29), and a Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m. and Worship Services on Easter Sunday (March 31). Find additional details and service times at briarwood.org/holyweek.

**"Raising Up a Sexually Faithful Generation"** — **Parenting Conference** | **April 13 \*** This Harvest USA conference hosted here at Briarwood is designed to help give parents insight, practical help, and principles in raising children as they face the sexual confusion of our culture. This is for soon-to-be parents, grandparents, and parents who have children of all ages. Register at briarwood.org/parentingconference.

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

### **PRAYERS & CHURCH FAMILY**

Praise the Lord! *Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.* Ephesians 5:15–16

**Briarwood and Missions Prayer Focus** — Pray for a fresh focus on world-wide ministry. Continue to pray for our missionaries as they return to the field as well as for those whom He is calling. May the Lord bless their ministries for Him. Pray that all members of the congregation will gain an increased understanding about participation in the Faith Promise through the Global Ministries Conference and prayerfully choose to be a part of reaching the world for Christ through our missionaries. Pray God will cause us to trust Him to enable us to pledge and give as He provides.

**Hospitalized** — Bill Beacham, Richard Condrey, Annie Hall, Janice Hamil, Sandy Bell, Walter Leveille

**Our Love and Sympathy** — to the family of member Herbert Osborne on his death on February 20; to Kim and Taylor Stearns and family on the death of their mother and grandmother, Mary Williams Nash, on February 22; and to Hayley Pate and family on the death of her grandmother, Dora Wilson, on February 23.

## **MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

**Daylight Savings** — Sunday, March 10. Don't forget to move your clocks ahead one hour before going to bed this Saturday. Spring forward so you won't be late for church!

**YBL Sporting Clay Event** — Friday, March 8 from 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. at Selwood Farm in Alpine, Alabama. Join us for a great day of skeet shooting and fellowship. Breakfast, lunch, and ammo will be provided. Register at ybl.org/birmingham/events.

**Persecuted Church Prayer Time** — Sunday, March 10 at 5:00 p.m., in G103. Come join the Persecuted Church Prayer Team to pray for our persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ. All are invited to join us for this special time of prayer.

**Foster/Adoption Connection Meeting** — Wednesday, March 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the Brides Room. This group for Foster and Adoptive parents, and anyone interested in fostering/ adopting! This is a time to be encouraged, equip one another, and meet with other like-minded families. Contact Carter Ralph at w.carter.ralph@gmail.com.

**Become a Briarwood Member** — March 13, 16 and 17. All newcomers and prospective members are invited to attend our Briarwood Inquirers' Classes. Attending these classes does not obligate you to join. To sign up, email Wendy at wlong@briarwood.org.

**Women Business Leaders Event** — Thursday, March 14 from 6:30–8:00 p.m. at Samford University. WBL will host *You're Starting What? An Evening with Entrepreneurs*. Five successful Christian women panelists discuss starting their businesses and keeping Christ central. Register at wblbirmingham.org.

**Easter Lily Dedication** — Purchase a lily to be placed in the Worship Center in memory or honor of someone special for Easter Sunday. Order now online at briarwood.org/lily or drop by the Membership Office (A101). Order deadline is Sunday, March 17.

**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. Child registration will open in April at briarwood.org/vbs.

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

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

**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: Facilities Set-Up Assistant** — 2nd shift facilities (Monday–Friday from 2:00–10:30 p.m.) assisting to set up/break down rooms. This position includes dental and health insurance. Contact Dale Keller at 205-776-5231, or dkeller@briarwood.org.

**Job Openings: Full-time & Part-time Staff** — There are a number of ministry positions open. See all employment and job openings at briarwood.org/employment.