



FOR GOD'S GLORY,
WE ARE COMMITTED TO EQUIPPING CHRISTIANS TO
WORSHIP GOD AND TO REACH BIRMINGHAM TO
REACH THE WORLD FOR CHRIST.



Briarwood
Presbyterian Church, PCA

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Morning Services of Divine Worship – June 23, 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

Gather the people to Me, that I may let them hear My words... Deuteronomy 4:10

Call to Worship & Preparation from the Psalms

Psalm 95:6–7

Leader: *Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!*

All: For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand

(Please come forward for the Ten-Minute Summer Choir)

Prelude & Time of Meditation & Confession

“O Come to the Altar”

Laney Philley, soloist

O gracious God, my heart is drawn out in thankfulness to You, for Your amazing grace and condescension to me in influences and assistances of Your Spirit, for special help in prayer, for the sweetness of Christian service, for the thoughts of arriving in heaven, for always sending me needful supplies, for raising me to new life when I am like one dead. Give me special grace to fit me for special services, and keep me calm and resigned at all times, humble and solemn and conformed to Your will. –adapted from The Valley of Vision

Choral Introit

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing” Hymn 108

Ten-Minute Summer Choir

Invocation

Gospel Word of Salvation

Greeting of Grace & Peace*

Hymn of Ascents*

“May Jesus Christ Be Praised” Hymn 87

The Confession of Truth*

Ephesians 4:32, 5:1–2

Leader: *Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.*

All: Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and give Himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Leader: *The Word of the Lord.*

All: Thanks be to God!

THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE

*...I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions and thanksgivings
be made for all people... I Timothy 2:1*

Ministry Opportunities for Prayer

Pastoral Prayer of Intercession

THE ADORATION OF GOD'S GLORY

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD! Psalm 150:6

Presentation & Consecration of God's Tithe & Our Offerings

The Offertory

"Forever Jesus"
Shane Davis, Worship Associate

Singing of Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs*

"Our Great God"

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

...for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. Acts 20:27

Prayer of Illumination*

The Scripture Reading*†

Proverbs 17:17, 18:24, Eccles 4:7-12, John 15:13-15

Exposition of God's Word

Dr. Dan Doriani

II. Wisdom for Relationships: Parenting, Friendship, and Marriage
"Deep Friendship"

Proverbs 17:17, 18:24, Ecclesiastes 4:7-12, John 15:13-15

THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

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

Congregational Affirmation*

"Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners"

Pastoral Benediction*

Postlude

"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

*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 Daniel Cason

Welcome Chad Escue

Call to Worship Psalm 95:1–3

Leader: *Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!*

All: For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

Prayer of Invocation

Songs of Praise* “Lift High the Name of Jesus”
“There Is One Gospel”
Shane Davis, Worship Associate

Announcements

Mission’s Commissioning (Campus Outreach)

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Connor Weide

Scripture & Sermon Dr. Dan Doriani

II. Biblical Perspectives on Contemporary Issues
“What the Bible Says About War”

Doxology*

Benediction*

Postlude

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

Catechism Camps — Children's Super Summer | June 24–28 & July 8–12

Learn timeless biblical truth through catechism memorization while enjoying summer fun! Rising 3rd & 4th grades meet the week of June 24. Rising 1st & 2nd grades meet the week of July 8. Go to briarwood.org/supersummer or email jstallings@briarwood.org.

Christianity in America — Evening Worship Service | June 30 *

Help us fill the loft as a great Briarwood Family Choir while we celebrate America and honor our veterans! Retired U.S. Colonel Pete Sniffin will be featured as our keynote speaker. Following the evening service, join us for a time of fellowship on the church lawn. Learn more at christianityinamericachoir.com.

Barons Family Night — Church Wide Outing | July 3

Join us Wednesday, July 3 at 6:00 p.m. at Regions Field for Barons baseball and fireworks. Call 205-776-5114 or email rleib@briarwood.org with questions. Tickets are available online at briarwood.org/barons or at the Briarwood Bookstore.

Youth Impact Weekend — Briarwood Youth | August 2–4

9th–12th grade students, join us for Impact Weekend, a weekend with speakers and discipleship groups in homes. Come allow the Lord to Impact your life and learn how to have an Impact on others! Find details and register at briarwood.org/youth.

* 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

Briarwood and Missions Prayer Focus — Father, help us as a Church family to continually encourage one another to trust You in all things and to walk closely with You in every area of our lives. *But encourage one another, day after day, as long as it is still called 'today,' so that none of you will be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.* (Hebrews 3:13) Pray for the ministry of Hearts and Hands and its volunteers. They provide critical home repairs and wheelchair ramp construction to those in serious need who have little to no resources. Pray for the relationships this ministry builds through sharing God's grace and love as they serve the poor in Jefferson and Shelby County. (The flag of Birmingham is featured in today's worship service.)

Hospitalized — Tom Bradford, Sam Mooney, Mabel Donaldson, Sandy Bell, Jo Taylor

Our love and sympathy — to Sherman and Caroline Goocher and family on the death of their father and grandfather, Orin Goocher, on June 14; and to Vickie, Torrie, Jay and John Taylor and family on the death of their father and grandfather, Bill Hawkins, on June 16.

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MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Young Couples BBQ — Saturday, July 13 from 4:30–8:30 p.m. at the playground parking lot. Come fellowship! We will have BBQ, ice cream, inflatables, corn hole, and more. Spread the word and invite your friends! Email sking@briarwood.org with questions.

Super Summer 2024 — Children ages K5 through 6th grade are invited to attend Super Summer. Each weekday, select age groups will meet in the gym and then go out to a fun activity. For details, go to briarwood.org/supersummer.

Women's Summer Study — Join us this summer on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel. The study will focus on the “but God” passages where circumstances do not get the last word. Nursery is available with reservations.

Men's Summer Study — Men, come this summer for a Wednesday study in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 a.m. We will be over-viewing *Work: Its Purpose, Dignity, and Transformation* by Dan Doriani. See details at briarwood.org/men.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study — Chris Thompson leads a study of Matthew in A105 on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

WBL Summer Series — Every other Wednesday at noon at Grace Church. Join us for six lunch-hour studies on “Jesus Through the Eyes of Women” by Rebecca McLaughlin. Find details and register online at bit.ly/wbl-summer-series.

Summer Evangelism Training — Join us on Wednesday nights for dinner together and a lesson on how to share your faith in different contexts. We will split up with leaders and go out to share our faith. For details go to briarwood.org/evangelism.

Men's Prayer Group — Meets each Saturday at 7:00 a.m. in the Mountain View Building. Contact Stephen King for information at sking@briarwood.org.

Active-Duty Military — Update our Active Duty Military list of members and family members so that we can pray for them. Provide us with name, rank, branch of service, and the relationship to you. Email Patti Claud at pclaud@briarwood.org.

Children's Sunday School Promotion — If you are planning on holding your child back for the 2024-25 school year, let Raleigh Macoy know so we can make sure to place him/her in the appropriate Sunday School class for the fall. Email rmacoy@briarwood.org.

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

Job Opening: Local Missions and Mobilization Coordinator — Part-time administrative position (20 hour) for Briarwood member to serve the Mission Mobilization Team. Needs knowledge of Microsoft Office, strong communication skills, event planning, networking, and heart for missions. Send inquiries and resumes to mbunn@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.