



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 – July 21, 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

*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 73:26

All: My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

Prelude & Time of Meditation & Confession

“Jesus Cast a Look on Me”
Shane Davis, Worship Associate

O Lord, I come to You to acknowledge and confess that I have sinned in thought and word and deed; I have not loved You with all my heart, soul, mind and strength. Grant to me godly sorrow for the wrong I have done and for the good I have left undone. I rejoice in the knowledge that I have forgiveness through Christ, my Lord, and accept His sacrifice on Calvary's cross on my behalf. Free me now to worship You with heart and soul and mind and strength!

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

Choral Introit

“The Solid Rock” Hymn 404
Ten-Minute Summer Choir

Invocation

Gospel Word of Salvation

Greeting of Grace & Peace*

Hymn of Ascents*

“My Hope Is in the Lord” Hymn 406

The Confession of Truth*

Romans 8:18–19, 22–24

Leader: *For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God.*

All: For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved.

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

Praise the LORD! It is good to sing praises to our God... Psalm 147:1a

Presentation & Consecration of God's Tithe & Our Offerings

The Offertory

"I Set My Hope on Jesus"
Shane Davis, Worship Associate

Singing of Psalms, Hymns & Spiritual Songs*

"My Soul Will Wait (Psalm 62)"

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

Blessed are you, O LORD; teach me Your statutes! Psalm 119:12

Prayer of Illumination*

The Old Testament Reading*†

Psalm 13

Exposition of God's Word

Dr. Dan Doriani

"Psalms of Lament: Hope in Sorrow"
Psalm 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*

"I Will Wait for You (Psalm 130)"

Pastoral Benediction*

Postlude

"He Leadeth Me"

*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 John Haines

Welcome Joel Richards

Call to Worship Psalm 8:3–5, 9

Leader: *When I look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have set in place, what is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You care for him?*

All: Yet You have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your Name in all the earth!

Prayer of Invocation

Songs of Praise* *“The Solid Rock”* Hymn 404
“This Is My Fathers World” Hymn 58
Ron Philley, Volunteer Worship Assistant

Announcements

Offertory Prayer

Offertory *“Psalm 8 (How Majestic Is Your Name)”*

Scripture & Sermon Dr. Dan Doriani

“Biblical Theology of Creation Care”

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

YBL Summer Series #2 — Young Business Leaders | August 1

Thursday, August 1 from 7:00–8:00 a.m. at Samford's Regions Room. Join us to hear panelists Jared Hudson, CEO of The Shooting Institute, Dion Watts, Dir. of Ministries with Urban Hope, and Chuck Welden, CEO of Weldenfield Development discuss purpose, identity, and the image of God. Register at ybl.org/Birmingham/events/.

ESL Teacher Training — Briarwood Missions | August 2–3

Join us for ESL Volunteer Teacher Training to equip you to reach the nations right here in Birmingham through Briarwood ESL. The training is free, but you must register. Registration and details at briarwood.org/esltraining or to find out how to get involved with Briarwood ESL, contact cmcgregor@briarwood.org.

Youth IMPACT Weekend — Briarwood Youth | August 2–4

All 9th–12th grade students, come and allow the Lord to Impact your life and learn how to have an impact on others! Join us for IMPACT Weekend with speakers and discipleship groups at students' homes. Register at briarwood.org/youth.

Special Needs Resource Fair — Special Connections | August 22

Come to the Special Needs Resource Fair hosted by Briarwood in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, August 22 from 6:00–8:00 p.m. You have the opportunity to learn about over 100 agencies that serve people with Special Needs and their families. Registration required at briarwood.org/specialneedsresourcefair.

* 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 Prayer Focus — Pray for the Trailblazer ministry and their upcoming events for summer and fall. Give thanks for the Trailblazer leadership team, Michael Wichlan and Sharon Johnston, as they plan events for our senior adults.

Missions Prayer Focus — Pray for Paul and Elizabeth Sanduleac who serve with International Exchange Organization in Moldova. Pray for God's grace that they not only can plant a strong Reformed church, but be an encouragement and resource for existing churches and for events with area Protestant church leaders would reaffirm their common directives. (The flag of Moldova is featured in today's worship service.)

Hospitalized — Al Black, Jim Cofer, Roy Costner, John Russom, Florence Salmer, Lydia Austin

Our love and sympathy — to Jack Boyle and family on the death of his father, John Walsh Boyle, on July 8; and to Margaret Mugg and family on the death of her brother, Julian Motes, on July 10.

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MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Communion Service — The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated on Sunday, July 28 in the morning services. An alms offering for the Mercy Ministry will be received. Elements are gluten-free.

Friendship Partner Program — Impact the nations by welcoming internationals through Friendship Partners. Share a meal, introduce them to Birmingham, or take them out for coffee. It doesn't take much to begin a friendship that could have an eternal impact. Contact Courtney at cmcgregor@briarwood.org for more information.

YBL Summer Study — Mondays from 7:00–8:15 p.m. at the home of Mark Edwards, 2022 Country Ridge Place. Join us for a six-week YBL Summer Study titled Christian Manhood: Character Studies from 1 Samuel. Go online for information and to sign up at bit.ly/YBLChristianManhood.

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.

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 at bit.ly/wbl-summer-series.

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 ibuprofen (200mg), antifungal cream, and 1% hydrocortisone cream for a Dominican Republic mission trip in October. Donations can be left in the CMMA box in the Mailroom. Call 205-776-5470.

Job Opening: Senior Staff Administrative Assistant — Seeking a full-time administrative assistant for Briarwood's senior staff. Applicants need excellent communication and organizational skills and proficiency with Microsoft Office. Previous experience as an executive assistant is preferred. Send résumés to Matt Moore at mmoore@briarwood.org.

Job Opening: Social Media / Writing Assistant — Part-time position for a Briarwood member who is proficient in various social media platforms and a skillful writer. Submit resume to lmckee@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.