



*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

Reformation Sunday – October 27, 2024

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## Worship Leaders

Dr. Dan Doriani, Interim Senior Pastor

Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor

Mr. Hunter Goff, Organist

Rev. Daniel Cason, Pianist

## THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation... Psalm 40:9*

## Call to Worship & Preparation from the Psalms

Psalm 46:6–7

Leader: *The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; He utters His voice, the earth melts.*

All: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

## Prelude & Time of Meditation & Confession

*"Our Foundation"*  
Briarwood Orchestra

*"This grace of God is a very great, strong, mighty and active thing. It does not lie asleep in the soul. Grace hears, leads, drives, draws, changes, works all in man, and lets itself be distinctly felt and experienced. It is hidden, but its works are evident." –Martin Luther*

## The Piper Presentation

*"Amazing Grace"*  
Thomas Caucutt, bagpipes

## Invocation

## Gospel Word of Salvation

## Greeting of Grace & Peace\*

## Hymn of Ascents\*

*"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"* Hymn 26

## The Confession of Truth\*

The Solas of the Reformation

Leader: *Sola Scriptura:*

All: The Scripture alone is our only authoritative rule for faith and life.

Leader: *Sola Gratia:*

All: We are saved from our sins by Grace Alone.

Leader: *Sola Fide:*

All: We are saved from our sins by Grace Alone through Faith Alone.

Leader: *Solus Christus:*

All: We are saved from our sins by Grace Alone through Faith Alone in Christ Alone.

Leader: *Soli Deo Gloria:*

All: We are saved from our sins by Grace Alone through Faith Alone in Christ Alone that we might Glorify God and enjoy Him forever.

## Remembrance of God's Saints

John Sterling Robertson, Gaston White, Ann Leopard, Betty Mason, Charlotte Walker, Phyllis Walton, Lester Mason, Sharon Lockhart, Jamie Ulch, Larry Rooker, Terry Chase, Wayne Dutt, Tony Poelt, Peggy Devane, Herbert Osborne, Sandy O'Brien, Kendall Reaves, Donna Wall, Bill Beacham, Harriette Morgan, Chuck DeWitt, Linda Keffer, Sheryl Francis, Julie Childs, Joe Morgan, Denis Devane, Jennie Stone, Janice Hamil, Bingham Carlson, Manuel Zuniga, John Brennecke, John Murphy, Jay Whitt, Samuel Luke Cawood, Anne Stowe, Sharon Mason, Mabel Donaldson, Rita Richards, John Russom, Richard Condrey, Julie Elmer

## Hymn of Remembrance

*"For All the Saints"* Hymn 546

### THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE

*...do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. Philippians 4:6*

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

### The Offertory

*"It Was Finished on the Cross"*  
Sanctuary Choir & Briarwood Orchestra  
Audrey Jowers, Korey Cox, Alonza Jones, Soloists

### Singing of Psalms, Hymns & Spiritual Songs\*

*"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"*

### THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

*...and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit,  
which is the Word of God... Ephesians 6:17*

### Prayer of Illumination\*

### The New Testament Reading\*†

Romans 3:21-26; 4:1-8

### Exposition of God's Word

Dr. Dan Doriani

*"The Heart of the Reformation is Justification by Faith"*

Romans 3:21-26; 4:1-8

### 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*

### Congregational Affirmation\*

*"The Doxology with Alleluias"*

### Pastoral Benediction\*

### The Piper Recessional

*"Highland Cathedral"*  
Thomas Caucutt, bagpipes

### Postlude

# FELLOWSHIP OF WORSHIP

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

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**Prelude** Rev. Daniel Cason, pianist

**Welcome** Rev. Benny Parks, Ministries Team Pastor

**Call to Worship** Psalm 119:12–14

Leader: *Blessed are You, O LORD; teach me Your statutes!*

All: With my lips I declare all the rules of Your mouth. In the way of Your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches.

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Songs of Praise\*** “Our Great God”  
“In Christ Alone”  
Shane Davis, Worship Associate

**Announcements**

**Comments on the Reformation**

**Offertory Prayer**

**The Offertory** Connor Weide, Seminary Worship Intern

**Scripture & Sermon** Dr. Dan Doriani

“Always Reforming: Prayers for Healing”  
James 5:13–20

**Doxology\*** Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor

**Benediction\***

**Postlude**

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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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## FEATURED EVENTS

### **EMC Convocation Service — All Members | October 27**

On Every Member Commitment Convocation Sunday, members are encouraged to attend the Convocation Service in the Worship Center at 9:30 a.m. during the Sunday School hour. Learn more at [briarwood.org/emc](http://briarwood.org/emc).

### **EMC Pledge Sunday — All Members | November 3**

On Every Member Commitment Pledge Sunday, members will turn in their pledge cards during the morning services or make pledges online at [briarwood.org/giving](http://briarwood.org/giving).

### **EMC Canvass Sunday — All Members | November 10**

Members have their final opportunity to submit their pledges during morning worship. Church officers will reach out to those who have yet to made a commitment.

### **Countdown to Christmas — Women's Ministry | November 20 \***

Women, join us at 9:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall as we hear from Ashley McMakin, owner of Ashley Mac's, and prepare our hearts for the Christmas season. Tickets are available for \$20 in the Bookstore or at [briarwood.org/women](http://briarwood.org/women).

\* Nursery is available for select events upon reservation at [briarwood.org/nursery](http://briarwood.org/nursery).

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## PRAYERS & CHURCH FAMILY

**Briarwood Prayer Focus** — We rejoice in Christ on this Reformation Day. Praise the Lord for His glorious work through Godly leaders in ages past who stood firm in the Word. May this reminder cause a fire for the Gospel of Christ to burn bright in us. Pray for the Pulpit Committee to gain insight from the information they will gather from the congregational survey, the Discovery Weekend and the interviews with elders, deacons and staff over the next several weeks.

**Missions Prayer Focus** — Praise the Lord for the over 200 members who faithfully served our ministry partners at IMPACT Birmingham this past Saturday, October 19. Pray the Lord will guide our members to engage with these ministries throughout the year, sharing Christ's love and bringing hope and transformation to Birmingham.

**Hospitalized** — Margery Birdsong, Genar Reed, Kathy Smith, Eric Stephens, Sandy Bell, Brenda Harris

**We rejoice** — with Hank and Maddie Abbott on the birth of their daughter, Frances Lynn, on October 18.

**Our love and sympathy** — to Pam and Annamarie Thompson and family on the death of their mother and grandmother, Dorcas Oliver, on October 16; to Rebecca Haynes and family on the death of her mother, Mary Corley, on October 17; to Jim Selkirk and family on the death of his brother, David Selkirk, on October 17; to Mandy Miller and family on the death of her mother, Theresa Aday, on October 19; to Jean Condrey and family on the death of her husband, member Richard Condrey, on October 22; and to Ken Elmer and family on the death of his wife, member Julie Elmer, on October 22.

# MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**Donate Hygiene Items** — UnBound216 needs hygiene items for their local jail ministry. Bring items the next two Sundays to the bins in the Ministries and Chapel Lobbies; or to the Missions Office by November 14. List of items at [briarwood.org/mobilization](http://briarwood.org/mobilization).

**Operation Christmas Child Boxes** — Shoeboxes will be available in the Ministries Lobby beginning Sunday, November 3. Pack a shoe box with small toys, hygiene items, and prayers to touch a needy child's life! Turn in boxes at the Children's Auditorium Hallway by November 17. Include \$10 for shipping. Build a shoebox online at [briarwood.org/occ](http://briarwood.org/occ).

**YBL Annual Golf Tournament** — November 4 from 9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. at Inverness Country Club. Registration and warm up begins at 9:30 a.m. Coffee, pastries, and lunch will be provided. Find more information at [ybl.org/events](http://ybl.org/events).

**Portraits of Hope with WBL** — Thursday, November 7 from 6:00–7:30 p.m. at Beverly B. McNeil Portraits (2801 6th Ave S). Come fellowship with other working women to see beautiful portraits as you hear the story of God's remarkable transformation in the life of one woman. Light refreshments will be served. Register at [wblbirmingham.org](http://wblbirmingham.org).

**Trailblazers Shoe Box Packing Party** — November 8 at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Join the Trailblazers, Oak Mountain Forerunners, and Valleydale Legacy to pack Operation Christmas Child boxes. Register at [briarwood.org/trailblazers](http://briarwood.org/trailblazers) and bring items to share!

**"I Cared Enough" Thanksgiving Meal** — Tuesday, November 26. Donate and help distribute food to the needy in downtown Birmingham with Daniel Cason KIDS Ministry. For information, contact Daniel Cason at 205-365-1800 or go to [danielcason.org](http://danielcason.org).

**Nursery Teacher Needed** — Do you have a heart for teaching God's children about His love? Teacher is needed for the 2-year-old class. All the materials are provided—just bring your enthusiasm and love of children! Contact Melanie at [nurseryss@briarwood.org](mailto:nurseryss@briarwood.org).

**MidWeek at Briarwood** — Wednesday evening from 5:15–8:00 p.m. Join us for dinner in the Fellowship Hall starting at 5:15 p.m. Classes and activities begin at 6:30 p.m. Sign up for dinners, nursery, and classes at [briarwood.org/midweek](http://briarwood.org/midweek).

**Briarwood Youth Choir** — Sundays from 4:30–5:30 p.m. in M208. Youth grades 7–12, can you make it this week? If not, just come when you can. For more information, email Penny Philley at [pphilley@briarwood.org](mailto:pphilley@briarwood.org).

**Daily Prayer Notification** — Receive a daily prayer notification through the Briarwood App. In your Briarwood App settings, enable "Weekly Prayer Guide" notifications.

**Job Openings: Nursery Ministry Director** — This position will implement, lead, and oversee the nursery ministry to serve our young parents by creating a safe and nurturing environment. Contact Jay Shaw at 205-776-5389 or send resume to [jshaw@briarwood.org](mailto:jshaw@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](http://briarwood.org/employment).