



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 – November 3, 2024

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 119:36–37

Leader: *Incline my heart to Your testimonies, and not to selfish gain!*

All: Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things; and give me life in Your ways.

Prelude & Time of Meditation & Confession

"Nothing But the Blood"
Briarwood Youth Choir (10:55)

Holy Lord, I have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, of failure to find Your mind in Your Word, of neglect to seek You in my daily life. My transgressions and short-comings present me with a list of accusations, but I bless You that they will not stand against me, for all have been laid on Christ. Go on to subdue my corruptions, and grant me grace to live above them. Let not the passions of the flesh nor lustings of the mind bring my spirit into subjection, but rule over me in liberty and power. adapted from The Valley of Vision

Invocation

Gospel Word of Salvation

Greeting of Grace & Peace*

Hymn of Ascents*

"O Worship the King" Hymn 10

The Confession of Truth*

Psalm 112:1–6

Leader: Praise the LORD!

All: Praise the LORD!

Leader: *Blessed is the man who fears the LORD, who greatly delights in His commandments! His offspring will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.*

All: Wealth and riches are in His house, and His righteousness endures forever.

Leader: *Light dawns in the darkness for the upright; he is gracious, merciful, and righteous. It is well with the man who deals generously and lends; who conducts his affairs with justice.*

All: For the righteous will never be moved; he will be remembered forever.

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

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

“Order My Steps”
Briarwood Sanctuary Choir

Singing of Psalms, Hymns & Spiritual Songs*

“Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor”
“His Glory and My Good”
Hannah Brennan, Worship Associate

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD’S WORD

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

Prayer of Illumination*

The New Testament Reading*†

Luke 12:13–21, 1 Timothy 6:17–19

Exposition of God’s Word

Dr. Dan Doriani

“Rich Toward God”

Luke 12:13–21 & 1 Timothy 6:17–19

THE CONSECRATION OF GOD’S PEOPLE

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

Receiving of Pledges

Congregational Affirmation*

“Be Thou My Vision” Hymn 382

Pastoral Benediction*

Postlude

*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 Rev. Daniel Cason, pianist

Welcome Pastor Saeyoung Park, Singles Pastor

Call to Worship Psalm 27:11

All: Teach me Your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path.

Prayer of Invocation

Songs of Praise* *“His Mercy Is More”*
“Who Is Like The Lord (Psalm 113)”
Shane Davis, Worship Associate

Announcements

Offertory Prayer

The Offertory Daniel Cason

Scripture & Sermon Dr. Dan Doriani

“Faithful Stewards”
1 Corinthians 4:1–7

Closing Hymn* *“Break Thou the Bread of Life”* Hymn 274
Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor

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

EMC Pledge Sunday — All Members | November 3

Turn in your pledge cards in the morning services today. Every Member Commitment allows members to declare support in the work of the Lord with their gifts and service for the coming year. Learn more and make pledges online at briarwood.org/emc.

EMC Canvass Sunday — All Members | November 10

EMC Canvass Sunday is the final opportunity for members to submit their pledges during morning worship. Church officers will reach out to those who have yet to make a commitment unless they have already contacted the church.

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 prepare our hearts for the Christmas season. Speaker Ashley McMakin, owner of Ashley Mac's, will share with us her story of faith and how she prepares her heart for Christmas. Tickets are \$20 at briarwood.org/women and in the Bookstore. Nursery available by registration.

* 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 — Thank you to our Heavenly Father for being our King, Lord, and leader. May the Lord give us wisdom, discernment, and knowledge as we vote for the leaders of our country. Continue praying for the Pulpit Search Committee as they gather input from various congregational sources this month. As information is gleaned, may God grant them the ability to honor Him through their ongoing efforts.

Missions Prayer Focus — Pray for Joel Richards, the recent Briarwood International Outreach director, and his family, who have just moved to Győr, Hungary, to focus on discipleship and church planting. Pray for our search for a new BIO Director at Briarwood to lead this ministry. *The flag of Hungary is featured in today's service.*

Hospitalized — Pam Alexander, Sandy Bell, Connie Livingston, Cynthia Glover, Genar Reed, Eric Stephens, Steve Smith

Our love and sympathy — to Tim Morrison and family on the death of his brother, Rick Morrison, on October 22; to Michelle Wright and family on the death of her mother, Cynthia Whalen, on October 24; and to Bruce Herrington and family on the death of his father, Mark Herrington, on October 25.

Worship Flowers – The flowers in the Worship Center are given to the glory of God from the wedding of Madison Murphy and Rigo Banegas on November 2 and the flowers in the Worship Center Lobby are given to the glory of God in memory of Julie Elmer from her celebration of life on October 28.

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MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Submit Your EMC Pledge — You can turn in your pledge online at briarwood.org/emc, mail or bring your Pledge Card to the Church Accounting Office, or turn in your Pledge Card during the worship services today.

Pulpit Committee Survey — Take a few minutes and complete the pulpit committee survey which was emailed to all members on October 27. If you did not receive the email, contact Leigh Ann Reese at lreese@briarwood.com. If you are having difficulty with the survey tool, contact Bob Bradshaw at bob@mcgowanglobal.com. Survey ends on November 10.

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.

Operation Christmas Child Boxes — Shoeboxes are available in the Ministries Lobby. 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.

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

Election Day Prayer Service — Tuesday, November 5 from noon–1:00 p.m. in the Chapel. All are invited to join us for an Election Day Prayer Service to pray for our nation and elected officials. The Prayer Room will also be available all day to drop in for prayer.

Portraits of Hope with WBL — Thursday, November 7 from 6:00–7:30 p.m. at Beverly B. McNeil Portraits. Join other working women to see beautiful portraits and hear the story of God's remarkable transformation of one woman. Register at 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 and bring items to share!

Angel Trees — Sundays, November 10 and 17 in the Chapel and Ministries Lobbies. Gifts will benefit children in need from the Birmingham area. If you are available to work gift tables or for more information, please contact Amy Wood apwood@briarwood.org.

K4–6th grade Passport Night — Friday, November 15 from 6:00–8:30 p.m. Come and explore the Middle East through food and fun! Drop-off is in the Ministries Lobby and pickup in the Children's Auditorium. Register online at briarwood.org/children.

"I Cared Enough" Gospel Thanksgiving Feast — Tuesday, November 26. Donate and help Daniel Cason Ministries distribute food to feed 20,000 homeless, special needs and elderly individuals in the Birmingham area. Find details for volunteering and contributing canned goods or hot food (cooked turkeys/ham, vegetables and desserts) at icaredenough.com.

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.