

FOR GOD'S GLORY,

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



CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Morning Services of Divine Worship - August 31, 2025

Worship Leaders

Dr. Scott Redd, Pastor Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor Mr. Hunter Goff, Organist Rev. Daniel Cason, Pianist

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

...in the great assembly I will bless the LORD. Psalm 26:12

Call to Worship & Preparation from the Psalms

Psalm 118:22-24

Pastor: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the

LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

All: This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Prelude & Time of Meditation & Confession

"Trumpet Processional in D"

Almighty and Holy Father, I confess that I am unworthy of Your gift of salvation. I have not loved You as I ought; I have not always been loving to my brothers and sisters in Christ, kindhearted and forgiving, even as You, for Christ's sake, have forgiven me. I have lived in selfishness and worldly pride, and the good gifts You have bestowed upon me have not been used to relieve the burdens of others. Pardon and blot out my offenses, I pray. Grant me grace to feel and lament my share in the evil that took my Savior, Jesus Christ, to the cross. And give me a true longing to be free from sin, through the deliverance offered by Your Son, my Redeemer. Amen.

Choral Introit

"How Sweet and Awesome is the Place" Briarwood Choir, Winds & Strings

Invocation

Gospel Word of Salvation

Greeting of Grace & Peace*

Hymn of Ascents*

"Worship Christ, the Risen King!" Trinity Hymnal #286

The Confession of Truth*

Isaiah 6:1-5

Pastor: In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the LORD sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of His robe filled the temple. Above Him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!" And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke.

All: And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

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

"My Worth is Not in What I Own" The Sing! Hymnal #285 Connor Weide, Seminary Worship Intern

Psalms, Hymns & Spiritual Songs*

"All Sufficient Merit" The Sing! Hymnal #838

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*†

Ephesians 2:11–22

Exposition of God's Word

Dr. Scott Redd, Pastor

Ephesians: The One Body of Christ "A Dwelling Place for God" Ephesians 2:11–22

THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE For the Love of Christ controls us... II Corinthians 5:14a

Pastoral Benediction*

Congregational Affirmation*

"The Church's One Foundation" Hymn 277

Postlude

"Blessed Assurance"

*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 "signed" each week in the Worship Center.

Morning services are available live on WLJR 88.5 FM. and online at briarwood.org/livestream.

Texts used with permission granted through CCLI License agreement 124545.

email: info@briarwood.org — website: briarwood.org 2200 Briarwood Way — Birmingham, Alabama 35243 — 205-776-5200

FELLOWSHIP OF WORSHIP

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

Prelude Rev. Daniel Cason, Pianist

Welcome Rev. Max Bunn, Mobilization Pastor

Call to Worship Psalm 22:27–28

All: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall worship before You. For kingship belongs to the LORD, and He rules over the nations.

Prayer of Invocation

Songs of Praise* "His Mercy Is More"

Shane Davis, Worship Associate
Announcements

Offertory Prayer

The Offertory Daniel Cason

Scripture & Sermon Rev. Jay Shaw, Family Pastor

"Repent, Rejoice, Restored" Psalm 51

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER Do this in remembrance of Me. Luke 22:19

Congregational Affirmation* "Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed?" Hymn 208

Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor

Confession of Sin Psalm 51

The Receiving of the Elements

The Bread "Amazing Grace"

Shane Davis

The Cup Daniel Cason

Closing Hymn* "Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed?" Hymn 208

Benediction*

Postlude

FEATURED EVENTS

MidWeek at Briarwood — Church Wide | September 3 - November 12 *

Join us for dinner, classes and activities for the entire family each Wednesday evening in the Fellowship Hall. Dinner begins at 5:15 p.m. and classes and activities start at 6:30 p.m. You can find additional class information and register for dinners at briarwood.org/midweek.

BTS Fall Semester — Birmingham Theological Seminary | September 2

Birmingham Theological Seminary is offering a wide array of classes this fall. If you desire to fulfill God's calling in your life with accessible and affordable seminary options through a quality reformed theological education, you're going to love BTS. To view the class schedule and apply for admissions, go to bts.education.

IMPACT Birmingham — Church Mobilization | October 18 *

On the morning of October 18, we will have the opportunity to work together on a wide range of service projects that will help support several of our local ministries. This day of service will kick off our Local and National Ministries Conference as we seek to IMPACT Birmingham for the glory of God! Find additional information and register for projects at briarwood.org/impact.

* 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 — Father, we pray for our Sunday School teachers, those teaching in our adult, youth, and children classes. We ask You to fill them with Your steadfast love and keep them faithful to Your Word.

Missions Prayer Focus — Pray for Sav-a-Life Ministries as they celebrate 45 years of ministry to women in unplanned and crisis pregnancies and the hope of Christ that is shared with each one. We celebrate and honor Sav-a-Life founder, Mr. Wales Goebel and his wife Jean, as they celebrate 75 years of marriage this week! The flag of Birmingham and Sav-a-Life is featured in the Worship Center this morning.

Church Family — Pray for our hospitalized members Ken Bailey, Hugh Brindley, Gene Cole, Gene Head Sr., Ashok Mujumdar, Brittney Thompson, Wendy Handley, and Ashley Ponter.

Our love and sympathy to Barbara Matthews and Martha Dobnikar on the death of their husband and father, member Bill Matthews, on August 26; and to Shelle and Ashton Henderson and family on the death of their father and grandfather, Wayne Knight, on August 23.

Receive each day's prayer as a notification through the Briarwood App. In your Briarwood App settings, enable "Weekly Prayer Guide" notifications.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Women's Fall Studies — Beginning September 2. Women, pick from classes meeting Monday—Thursday. See class topics and information at briarwood.org/women.

Youth Wednesday Nights — Beginning September 3. Students gather for dinner at 5:30 p.m. at The Barn. Raiders (7th–8th graders) meet 6:30–8:00 p.m. BYG (9th–12th graders) meet 7:00–8:30 p.m. For information, contact Kristin Smith at k.smith@briarwood.org.

Children Wednesday Nights — Beginning September 3 at 6:30 p.m. Children K4–3rd grade will meet in the Children's Auditorium for CONNECT and 4th–6th grade in the Church Gym for IGNITE. Contact Jake Stallings at 205-776-5305.

GriefShare MidWeek Class — Beginning September 3. Wednesdays from 6:30–8:00 p.m. in W203. Begin your journey from mourning to joy. Join our 12-week program designed to offer comfort and encouragement. Call 205-776-5227 to sign up.

Children's Choirs — Beginning September 7. Our Children's Choirs (preschool and elementary age children) meet Sunday evenings during the worship hour at 6:15 p.m. For more information, please contact Shanna Phillips at 205-222-1062.

Youth Sunday Night D-Groups — Beginning September 7 from 6:00–7:30 p.m. at The Barn. All 7th – 12th graders are invited to come for discipleship groups with their peers. For information, contact Kristin Smith at k.smith@briarwood.org.

Men's Fall Studies — Beginning September 8. Mondays at 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, Tuesdays at 11:45 a.m. at Cajun Seafood House, Thursdays at 7:00 a.m. and Fridays at 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. See additional information at briarwood.org/men.

YBL Fall Breakfast — Friday, September 12 from 6:30 to 7:45 a.m. at the Vestavia Country Club. Come hear from one of Alabama's top entrepreneurs, Shegun Otulana. Tickets are \$30, tables for 8/\$240. Register at ybl.org/events.

Trailblazer's Lunch — Sunday, September 14 at 12:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Fellowship together and hear from U.S. Congressman Gary Palmer. Register online at briarwood.org/trailblazers or email sjohnston@briarwood.org.

Children's Passport Night — Friday, September 19 from 6:00–8:30 p.m. K4–6th graders, come and learn about a foreign country through food and fun! Register online at briarwood.org/children. The Children's Ministry needs ministry safe volunteers to help with crowd control. Email Emily Baker if interested at ebaker@briarwood.org.

WBL Faith & Work Luncheon — Wednesday, September 24. Join Women Business Leaders for their annual Faith & Work Luncheon featuring speaker, Joanna Meyer of the Denver Institute for Faith & Work. Register online at wblbirmingham.org.

BIO Campus Ministry Director – Full-time position available to provide leadership in reaching international students and scholars at UAB for the purpose of evangelism and discipleship. Send inquiries and resumes to cnorfleet@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.