



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 – September 14, 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 103:1, 10–12, selected

Pastor: *Bless the LORD, O my soul and all that is within me, bless His holy Name.
He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to
our iniquities.*

All: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love
toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does
He remove our transgressions from us.

Prelude & Time of Meditation & Confession

“What Wondrous Love is This?”

Korey Cox, Soloist

*O my Savior, I thank You from the depths of my being for Your wondrous grace and love in bearing my
sin in Your body on the tree. By Your cross crucify my every sin; use it to increase my intimacy with
You; make it the ground of all my comfort, the liveliness of all my duties, the sum of all Your gospel
promises, the comfort of all my afflictions, the vigor of my love, thankfulness, graces, the very essence
of my religion; and by it give me that rest without rest. adapted from The Valley of Vision*

Invocation

Gospel Word of Salvation

Welcoming of New Members (10:55)

Sacrament of Baptism (10:55)

Greeting of Grace & Peace*

Hymn of Ascents*

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” Hymn 92

The Confession of Truth*

Deuteronomy 7:7–13, selected

Pastor: *You are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen
you to be a people for His treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on
the face of the earth. It was not because you were more in number than any
other people that the LORD set His love on you and chose you, for you were the
fewest of all peoples.*

All: But it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that He swore to
your fathers. He will love you, bless you, and multiply you.

THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE
O LORD, in the morning You hear my voice... Psalm 5:3

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 *"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus"*
Sanctuary Choir & Bonnie Furuto, Violinist

Psalms, Hymns & Spiritual Songs* *"Here is Love, Vast as the Ocean"*
The Sing! Hymnal #155
Connor Weide, Seminary Worship Intern

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 3:14–21

Exposition of God's Word Dr. Scott Redd, Pastor

Ephesians: The One Body of Christ
"Love That Surpasses Knowledge"
Ephesians 3:14–21

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

Pastoral Benediction*

Congregational Affirmation* *"My Jesus, I Love Thee"* The Sing! Hymnal #190

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 "signed" each week in the Worship Center.

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

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FELLOWSHIP OF WORSHIP

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

Prelude

Timothy Asbeck, Pianist

Welcome

Rob Genin, Executive Director of YBL Ministries

Call to Worship

Psalms 7:17

All: I will give to the LORD the thanks due to His righteousness, and I will
sing praise to the name of the LORD, the Most High.

Prayer of Invocation

Songs of Praise*

“How Great Is the Greatness Of God”

“Come People of the Risen King”

“It Was Finished Upon That Cross”

Shane Davis, Worship Associate

Announcements

Offertory Prayer

The Offertory

Daniel Cason

Scripture & Sermon

Dr. Scott Redd, Pastor

“The Shepherd of Tekoa”

Amos 1:1

Pastoral Benediction*

Congregational Affirmation*

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

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! Learn more and register for projects at briarwood.org/impact.

Local & National Ministries Conference — Briarwood Missions | October 19–20 *

Join us Sunday, October 19 and Monday, October 20 to hear from guest speaker Dr. Sandy Willson and our National ministry partners who will share during Sunday School and breakout sessions on Sunday and Monday nights. Find additional details and see how you can volunteer at briarwood.org/nmc.

* 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 — Give thanks for those serving in our LOVE Ministry, an outreach to Briarwood members who are no longer able to attend regular services at the church due to mobility or health-related issues. Praises for the joy, love, and flowers they bring to these church members every Monday.

Birmingham Prayer Focus — Pray for UnBound 2:16, a faith-based transitional care ministry dedicated to preparing incarcerated individuals for successful reentry into society by guiding them to discover their God-given purpose. Pray for God's guidance as they offer transitional housing and vital support services, including case management, job training, job placement, and Biblical discipleship through committed volunteer mentors.

Missions Prayer Focus — Pray for Urban Hope Community Church, as they gather to worship, study Scripture, pray, and encourage one another in the hope of Jesus Christ. Pray for their commitment to serving urban communities facing spiritual, social, and economic challenges, faithfully sharing the gospel and spreading hope in their neighborhoods. The flag of Birmingham is featured this morning.

Church Family — Pray for our hospitalized members Joan Bell, Linda Cobb, Bert Mullis, Teresa Holloway, Carol Lee, and Susan Johnson.

Our love and sympathy to Al Worthington and family on the death of his wife, member Nancy Worthington, on September 6; and to the family of member Dick Baker who died on September 8; and to Dale Sitton and family on the death of his sister, Lynne King, on September 9.

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

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Prayer for the Persecuted Church — This evening at 5:00 p.m. in G-103. The Persecuted Church Prayer Team will meet for prayer. All are welcome to attend.

Youth Choirs — Beginning this evening. All 7th–12th graders, please join us at The Barn each Sunday at 4:30 p.m. You are welcome to hang out at The Barn after choir dismisses. Please contact Chris Neugent for more information at 205.401.2623.

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.

WBL Event for Single Women — Wednesday, September 24, from 6:00–7:30 p.m. featuring a special Q&A session with the author of *Women, Work and Calling* and Director of the Denver Faith and Work Institute, Joanna Meyer. Register at wblbirmingham.org

Youth Communicants Class — This September & October we will have a class for teens who are ready to become members of Briarwood. Please pray and discuss with your teenager. Email Jay Shaw at jshaw@briarwood.org if interested.

Children's Choirs — 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.

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

Men's Fall Studies — 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.

MidWeek at Briarwood — 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. Find additional information at briarwood.org/midweek.

Job Openings: Kitchen Assistant — Part-time position available to assist in the Briarwood kitchen. Send inquiries and resumes to sblahnik@briarwood.org.

Job Openings: CMMA Administrative Assistant — The ideal candidate will be proactive, organized, adept at managing multiple tasks, and have a ministry mindset with great communication skills. Send resumes to mday@briarwood.org.

Job Opening: Grounds Manager — Must be familiar with irrigation repair and lawn equipment. Salary plus benefits. Contact Steve at sgoebel@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.