



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 28, 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 68:18–19

Pastor: *You ascended on high, leading a host of captives in Your train and receiving gifts among men, even among the rebellious, that the LORD God may dwell there.*

All: Blessed be the LORD, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation.

Prelude & Time of Meditation & Confession

“Who Shall Ascend the Mountain of the Lord” Briarwood Sanctuary Choir

O Great I Am, I acknowledge and confess that all things come of You—life, breath, happiness, advancement, sight, touch, hearing, goodness, truth, beauty—all that makes existence amiable. In the spiritual world also, I am dependent entirely upon You. Give me grace to know more of my need of grace; Show me my sinfulness that I may willingly confess it; Reveal to me my weakness that I may know my strength in You. adapted from The Valley of Vision

Invocation

Gospel Word of Salvation

Greeting of Grace & Peace*

Hymns of Ascents*

“Revive Us Again” Hymn #295

“Across the Lands” The Sing! Hymnal #849

The Confession of Truth*

Jeremiah 3:14–15

Pastor: *Return, O faithless children, declares the LORD; for I am your master; I will take you, one from a city and two from a family, and I will bring you to Zion.*

All: And I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding.

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

*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

Psalms, Hymns & Spiritual Songs*

"Only a Holy God" The Sing! Hymnal #11
Shane Davis, 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*†

Ephesians 4:7-16

Exposition of God's Word

Dr. Scott Redd, Pastor

Ephesians: The One Body of Christ
"Toward Christian Maturity"
Ephesians 4:7-16

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Do this in remembrance of Me. Luke 22:19

Hymn of Preparation*

"The Power of the Cross" The Sing! Hymnal #821

Presentation of the Table

Corporate Confession of Sin

Psalm 51

All: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin! For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Against You, You only, have we sinned and done what is evil in Your sight, so that You may be justified in Your words and blameless in Your judgment. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Cast us not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit.

Receiving of the Elements

"Behold the Lamb (Communion Hymn)"
The Sing! Hymnal #315, Shane Davis

THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts
and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:7*

Pastoral Benediction*

Congregational Affirmation*

"The Power of the Cross" The Sing! Hymnal #821

Postlude

"I Set My Hope on Jesus"

FELLOWSHIP OF WORSHIP

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

Prelude

Welcome

Bob McGregor, Membership Pastor

Call to Worship

Psalm 81:1–2

All: Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob!

Prayer of Invocation

Songs of Praise*

“Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery”

“Jesus Paid it All”

Connor Weide, Seminary Worship Intern

Announcements

Offertory Prayer

The Offertory

“I Set My Hope on Jesus”

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Connor Weide

Scripture & Sermon

Dr. Scott Redd, Pastor

“The Transgressions of Israel”

Amos 2:6–16

Pastoral Benediction*

Congregational Affirmation*

Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor

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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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 — Lord, we praise You and thank You with all our hearts for who You are and for all You have done for us. Please bless us today as we worship You and speak to us through Your servant, Rev. Scott Redd as he preaches Your Word.

Birmingham Prayer Focus — Pray for Blanket Fort Hope, a ministry serving child survivors of human trafficking. Pray for God's guidance as it provides housing, trauma care, counseling, education and the hope found in Christ.

Missions Prayer Focus — Please pray for protection for Deddy and Desta Simanjuntak in Papua, New Guinea where there have been volatile attacks from armed groups who have taken the lives of some teachers and civilians. They serve as dorm parents to 300+ Papua students with Deddy as pastor. Deddy is an ordained pastor and also assists the senior pastor at Christ Chapel Karawaci. The flag of Indonesia will be in the Worship Center this Sunday.

Church Family — Pray for our hospitalized members Joanne Cofer, Nina DeWitt, Banks Farris, Jim Griffin, Beth Hendrix, Teresa Holloway, Joby Hurst, Carol Payne, JoAnn Weston, Sam Mooney, David Mugg, Carrie Turner, Gabrian Turner, Debbie Little, and Danese Knott-Craig.

Our love and sympathy to Sam Mooney and family on the death of his brother, Ken Mooney, on September 18.

...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

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

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Special Connections Respite Care Night — Tuesday, October 14 at 6:00 p.m. in N-110. Parents with special needs children, enjoy an evening off! Register on the Briarwood App or contact Michael Johnson at mjohnson@briarwood.org.

Trailblazers Tailgate Lunch — Friday, October 17 at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Wings and drinks provided. Register online at briarwood.org/trailblazers.

SHINE — Sunday, October 19 and Monday, October 20. Children grades K4 – 6th, join us during our National Ministries Conference in the Children's Auditorium. There will be missionaries speaking, fun and games! No registration is required.

BTS Fall Theology Conference — October 23–25 at Urban Hope Community Church. Join BTS for their Fall Theology Conference, hosting the Center for Biblical Unity Team on Biblical Views on Justice in Society. Register online at bts.education.

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.

ESL Volunteers Needed — Do you have a passion for internationals? Do you speak English? Then you would make a great addition to our ESL ministry! All necessary training will be provided. Contact cmcgregor@briarwood.org for more information.

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.

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

Job Opening: Scheduling Coordinator — This position works under the facilities dept of the church, and maintains a detailed room scheduling process. Must be proficient in computer operations. Salary plus benefits. Contact Steve Goebel at 205.776.5230 or 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.