



*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 – March 15, 2026

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## Worship Leaders

Dr. Scott Redd, Pastor

Rev. Jay Shaw, Family Pastor

Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor

## THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*...not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. Hebrews 10:25*

## Call to Worship & Preparation from the Psalms

Psalm 19:7–8

All: The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple. The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.

## Prelude & Time of Meditation & Confession

*"The Wondrous Cross"*

Briarwood Orchestra

*"Sovereign God, Your cause, not my own, engages my heart, and I appeal to You with greatest freedom to set up Your kingdom in every place where Satan reigns; Glorify Yourself and I will rejoice, for to bring honor to Your name is my sole desire. I adore You that You are God, and long that others should know it, feel it, and rejoice in it. O that all men might love and praise You, that You might have all glory from the intelligent world! Let sinners be brought to You for Your dear name! Lord, use me as You will, do with me what You will; but, O, promote Your cause, let your kingdom come, let Your blessed interest be advanced in this world!" –from The Valley of Vision*

## Choral Introit

*"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"*

Briarwood Sanctuary Choir

## Invocation

## Gospel Word of Salvation

## Sacrament of Baptism

## Greeting of Grace & Peace\*

## Hymn of Ascents\*

*"O Worship the King"* The Sing! Hymnal 9

## Confession of Truth\*

James 1:22–25 (selected)

Pastor: *But be doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.*

All: The one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres... will be blessed in his doing.

## 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

**The Offertory** "Only a Holy God" The Sing! Hymnal 11

**Psalms, Hymns & Spiritual Songs\*** "Our Great God" The Sing! Hymnal 61

#### THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

*All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof,  
for correction, and for training in righteousness... II Timothy 3:16*

### Prayer of Illumination\*

**New Testament Reading\*†** Deuteronomy 4:1-31

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

*Deuteronomy: Wholehearted Love*  
"Listen, Take Care, and Watch"  
Deuteronomy 4:1-31

#### 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*

### Pastoral Benediction\*

**Congregational Affirmation\*** "The Doxology with Alleluias"

**Postlude** "Blessed Assurance"

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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 "signed" each week in the Worship Center.

Morning services are available live on WLJR 88.5 FM. and online at [briarwood.org/livestream](http://briarwood.org/livestream).

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# FELLOWSHIP OF WORSHIP

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

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**Prelude**

*“Revelation 19”*  
Briarwood Youth Choir

**Welcome**

Max Bunn, Local Missions and Mobilization Pastor

**Call to Worship**

Psalm 63:1–2

Pastor: *O God, You are my God; earnestly I seek You; my soul thirsts for You;  
my flesh faints for You, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.*

All: So I have looked upon You in the sanctuary, beholding Your power and glory.

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Song of Praise\***

*“His Glory and My Good”*  
*“This is My Father’s World”*  
Hannah Darlington, Worship Associate

**Announcements**

**Offertory Prayer**

**The Offertory**

*“We Will Feast in the House of Zion”*

**Scripture & Sermon**

Dr. Scott Redd, Pastor

*Mark: The Words of Eternal Life*  
*“Those Who Follow”*  
Mark 3:7–21

**Pastoral Benediction\***

**Doxology\***

Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor

**Postlude**

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## 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.

– Dr. Scott Redd & the Briarwood Church Family

## FEATURED EVENTS

### **Holy Week 2026 — Worship Services | March 29 – April 5 \***

Remember the death and celebrate the resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ with us during this year's Holy Week. We will have Worship Services on Palm Sunday (March 29), an evening Communion Service on Maundy Thursday (April 2), a Service of Reflection at noon on Good Friday (April 3), and a Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m. and Worship Services on Easter Sunday (April 5). Find details at [briarwood.org/events](http://briarwood.org/events).

### **IMPACT Birmingham — Church Mobilization | April 25 \***

On the morning of April 25, we will partner with local ministries to do service and repair projects, ranging from yard work and painting to distributing food. This will be an opportunity to serve together as the body of Christ and IMPACT Birmingham for Christ! Find additional information and register for projects at [briarwood.org/impact](http://briarwood.org/impact).

\* Nursery is available for select events upon reservation at [briarwood.org/nursery](http://briarwood.org/nursery).  
Stay up-to-date with upcoming events on the Briarwood App.

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## PRAYERS & CHURCH FAMILY

**Briarwood Prayer Focus** — Pray for Pastor Bryan Wintersteen and his team as they will soon depart for a short-term mission trip to L'Arcada Camp in Spain. Pray for success in their construction work on the campground and for faithfulness in their evangelism efforts.

**Missions Prayer Focus** — Please pray for the internationals in Birmingham who are reading the Bible one-on-one with Briarwood members each week. Pray that the Lord would reveal Himself and give them faith to believe, that they might come to know Him. The flag of China is featured in the Worship Center this morning.

**Church Family** — Pray for hospitalized members Frank Barker III, Janet Greer, Brooke Hunt, Curtis Terry, Aimee Weaver, Frank Wright, Sandy Bell, Mark Rose, Denise Whitworth, and Joy Jager.

Our love and sympathy to Jim Bradford, Holly Nichols and family on the death of their father and grandfather, member Tom Bradford, on March 4; to Sarah Frances Wilson and family on the death of her brother, member Jerry Wilson, on March 4; to Amy Duffey, Stacy Moore and family on the death of their father, Robert Cross, on March 5; and to Leta Sue Bone and family on the death of her father, Lee Trinkle III, on March 5.

We rejoice with Jonathan and Jackie Kalehoff on the birth of their son, Nathan Robert, on March 6.

The flowers in the Worship Center are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Tom Bradford from the Sojourners Sunday school class.

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

# MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**Local Ministry Prayer** — This evening at 5:00 p.m. in the Prayer Room. All are invited to come and pray for our local ministry partners and mobilization opportunities.

**BTS & Calvin Studies Society** — March 19–21 at Covenant Presbyterian Church and Beeson Divinity School. This colloquium features plenary speakers presenting papers on the topic “Calvin and Creation”. To register, go to [calvinstudiessociety.org/colloquium](http://calvinstudiessociety.org/colloquium).

**Easter Lily Dedication** — Sunday, March 22 ordering deadline. Purchase a lily to be placed in the Worship Center in memory or honor of someone special for Easter Sunday. Order now online at [briarwood.org/easter](http://briarwood.org/easter) or call Patti at 776-5282.

**Easter Basket Donations** — Sunday, March 22 through March 29. The Women’s Ministry is collecting Easter baskets for Daniel Cason Ministries’ evangelistic children’s event. Cellophane wrapped baskets can be dropped off in the Women’s Ministry Office.

**DRT Sheds of Hope Build Days** — March 23–25. Help Lake Oconee Presbyterian Church construct sheds that will be delivered to a disaster site affected by a hurricane, fire, tornado, or flood. Learn more and register at [briarwood.org/events](http://briarwood.org/events).

**Easter Gifts for Inmates** — Partnering with UnBound216, we will collect hygiene items and snacks for inmates at Bibb County Correctional Facility. Donations can be dropped off in the Missions Office. For a list of accepted items, email [cbono@briarwood.org](mailto:cbono@briarwood.org).

**VBS 2026** — Mark your calendar and plan to attend this summer June 1–5! Registration and teen helper sign-ups will begin in April. To volunteer, go to [briarwood.org/vbs](http://briarwood.org/vbs). Email Raleigh Macoy at [rmacoy@briarwood.org](mailto:rmacoy@briarwood.org) if you have any questions.

**MidWeek at Briarwood** — Through April 29. Join us for Wednesday dinner in the Fellowship Hall from 5:15–6:30 p.m. then attend a class or activity for the entire family. Find information and register for dinners at [briarwood.org/midweek](http://briarwood.org/midweek).

**Women’s Winter / Spring Studies** — Ladies join one of our six studies this winter/spring. We have opportunities in person and online; in the morning and during the evening; and studies in the Old Testament and New Testament. Go to [briarwood.org/women](http://briarwood.org/women).

**Men’s Spring Studies** — Mondays at 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, Tuesdays at 11:45 at Cajun Seafood House, Thursdays at 6:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, and Fridays at 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. See additional information at [briarwood.org/men](http://briarwood.org/men).

**Family Ministry Administrative Assistant** — Role supports the Family Pastor, G&C, and Children’s Ministries and requires a broad understanding of family ministry and a proactive approach to administrative support. Send resume to [jshaw@briarwood.org](mailto:jshaw@briarwood.org).

**Nursery Hallway Supervisor** — Briarwood is looking to hire a Briarwood member to supervise the nursery hallway during Sunday evening services and during some special church events. Send resume to [aneugent@briarwood.org](mailto:aneugent@briarwood.org).

**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).

Stay up-to-date with events and opportunities with the Briarwood B-Mail newsletter.