



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 – August 23, 2026

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 96:9–10

Pastor: *Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before Him, all the earth!*

All: Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!"

Prelude & Time of Meditation & Confession

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Briarwood Sanctuary Choir

"Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against You, You only, have I 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 me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise." from Psalm 51

Invocation

Gospel Word of Salvation

Greeting of Grace & Peace*

Hymn of Ascents*

"Immortal, Invisible" Hymn 25

Confession of Truth*

Westminster Shorter Catechism #4; 1 Timothy 1:17

Pastor: *What is God?*

All: God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in His being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth.

Pastor: *What do the Scriptures declare concerning God?*

All: The Scriptures declare, "To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen."

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
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 *"Christ Our Wisdom"*
Hannah Darlington, Worship Associate

Singing of Psalms, Hymns & Spiritual Songs* *"His Glory and My Good"*

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD
*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*

Prayer of Illumination*

Scripture Reading*† Psalm 93

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

"The Lord Who Reigns"
Psalm 93

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

Pastoral Benediction*

Congregational Affirmation* *"The Doxology with Alleluias"*

Postlude *"Majesty"*

*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 11:00 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

Rev. Daniel Cason, Pianist

Welcome

Rev. Ben Weber, Campus Outreach Birmingham Director

Call to Worship

Psalm 47:6–7

Pastor: *Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!*

All: For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm!

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise*

“Crown Him with Many Crowns” Hymn 234

Announcements

Offertory Prayer

The Offertory

Rev. Daniel Cason, Pianist

Scripture & Sermon

Dr. Scott Redd, Pastor

“The Herald’s End”

Mark 6:14–29

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Do this in remembrance of Me. Luke 22:19

Hymn of Preparation*

“Hallelujah, What a Savior” Hymn 175

Presentation of the Table

Corporate Confession of Sin

Jeremiah 17:4–9

Receiving of the Elements

The Bread

“There is Hope”

Shane Davis, Worship Associate

The Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastoral Benediction*

Closing Hymn*

“Hallelujah, What a Savior” Hymn 175

Postlude

FEATURED EVENTS

BTS Fall Semester — Birmingham Theological Seminary | September 8

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.

MidWeek at Briarwood — Church Wide | September 9 – November 11

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. All are welcome, don't miss out on the fun and fellowship! Find additional information and register for dinners at briarwood.org/midweek.

* 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 together. We ask You to guide us in putting today's sermon into action this week. Show us how to turn our knowledge into walking by faith.

Missions Prayer Focus — Pray for our ministry partners who serve with Cru in Iraq, Maher and Sahar, Salam and Mouna, and Saad and Maral. During this time of war and conflict in their area, pray for God's divine protection and safety. Pray for strength, wisdom, and a shepherd's heart as they mentor students and train new disciples to serve the Lord Jesus. Pray the Lord would reveal Himself and personally encounter each non-believer. The flag of Iraq is featured in the Worship Center this Sunday.

Church Family — Pray for hospitalized members Sandy Bell, Bruce Bush, Barbara Cartledge, Eric Evans, Carol Lee, Gary Palmer, Paul Whitcomb, Beth Wintersteen, Barbara Grill, Don Appleby, Wayne Pate.

We rejoice with Graham and Hayley Travers on the birth of their son, Roger Henry, on August 12, and grandparents Mark and Darby Travers.

Our love and sympathy to Leesa Carter and family on the death of her mother, Lois Martin, on August 13; and to the family and friends of member Kim Vandergriff, on her death on August 16, and to Terry Grill and family on the death of his wife, member Barbara Grill, on August 18.

The flowers in the Worship Center are given to the glory of God in remembrance of Mary Douglas by her loving family.

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

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Youth Wednesday Nights — Beginning August 26. 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, email mmills@briarwood.org.

Foster Parenting Classes — Orientation meeting on August 26 at 6:00 p.m. in G101. Classes begin September 9 at 6:00 p.m. in G103. Register online at lifelinechild.org/upcoming-event/al-foster-parent-training-orientation-2/.

Reformed Forum Fall Conference — August 28–29 at Cahaba Park Presbyterian Church. Dive into deep discussions and fresh insights at this year's conference with Birmingham Theological Seminary. Register online at briarwood.org/events.

Children's Promotion Sunday — August 30. Be on the lookout for an email and postcard this week with your child's new Sunday School room number. If you have any questions, please email rmacoy@briarwood.org.

Women's Fall Studies — Beginning September 8. Women, pick from classes meeting Monday–Thursday. See class topics and information at briarwood.org/women.

YBL Fall Breakfast — September 11 from 6:30 to 7:45 a.m. at the Harbert Center. Join us for “Faithful Men, Strong Communities” with speaker Alton Hardy, Pastor of Urban Hope Community Church. Register online at ybl.org/events.

Youth Sunday Night D-Groups — Beginning September 13 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, email mmills@briarwood.org.

Children's Choirs — Beginning September 13. 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.

Men's Fall Studies — Beginning September 14. Men will be meeting for fellowship and spiritual growth this fall on Mondays at 6:30 a.m., Tuesdays at 6:45 a.m., and Fridays at 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. See additional information at briarwood.org/men.

Adoption & Foster Connection — September 16 at 6:30 p.m. in the Bride's Room. Current and interested foster and adoptive parents are invited to meet with other like-minded families to encourage and equip one another. Email w.carter.ralph@gmail.com.

Trailblazers “The Vietnam Experience” — September 18 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. in FH–A. Come hear testimony from Ty Dodge who served as second lieutenant and platoon leader with the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment in Vietnam. Register online.

Trailblazers Tour of New Orleans — October 5–9. Travel with the Briarwood Trailblazers for a guided tour of New Orleans. Register online at briarwood.org/trailblazers.

Father Son Retreat — October 9–11, Calling all rising 3rd–6th graders and fathers! This retreat at Shocco Springs will be a great time for fathers and sons to connect with each other and together connect to their Creator. Register online at briarwood.org/events.

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