



*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 22, 2026

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## Worship Leaders

Dr. Scott Redd, Pastor

Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor

Rev. Saeyoung Park, Singles Ministry 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 18:3

All: I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.

## Prelude & Time of Meditation & Confession

*"Cross Medley"*  
Hunter Goff, Organist

*Gracious Heavenly Father, we acknowledge this day that You are the Giver of every good and perfect gift, and the Sustainer of our lives. We humbly come before You, recognizing the presence of sin in our hearts, and knowing that You have graciously given Your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to pay the price and bear the penalty for our sin. We confess our sin before You now, and gratefully accept Your full and complete pardon. Free us to worship You now in Spirit and Truth, with joy and celebration, and tune our hearts and fit our lives to live to the praise of Your glory and the advancement of Your Kingdom.*

## Vocal Introit

*"Is He Worthy?"* The Sing! Hymnal 899  
Luke and Laney Philley, Soloists

## Invocation

## Gospel Word of Salvation

## Greeting of Grace & Peace\*

## Hymn of Ascents\*

*"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"* Hymn 108

## Confession of Truth\*

1 Corinthians 8:4–6 (selected)

Pastor: *We know that 'an idol has no real existence,' and that 'there is no God but one.'*

All: Yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist."

## THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE

*...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*

## 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** "The Lord is My Salvation" The Sing! Hymnal 178

**Psalms, Hymns & Spiritual Songs\*** "This is My Father's World" Hymn 58  
"Christ is Mine Forevermore"

#### 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\*

**Scripture Reading\*†** Deuteronomy 4:32-43

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

*Deuteronomy: Wholehearted Love*  
"The Lord Alone"  
Deuteronomy 4:32-43

#### 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** "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

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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** Rev. Daniel Cason

**Welcome** Greg Norfleet, Counseling Pastor

**Call to Worship** Psalm 135:3

All: Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good; sing to His name, for it is pleasant!

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Season of Hymns of Adoration\*** Rev. Daniel Cason

**Announcements**

**Offertory Prayer**

**The Offertory**

**Scripture & Sermon** Shelby Myers, Pastoral Intern

“The Apostle, Some Exorcists, and a Book Burning”  
Acts 19:8–20

**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** — Give thanks for the opportunity to serve our community on April 25 through IMPACT Birmingham. May the Lord lead us to take part in one of these projects with our supported ministries. Pray that we will minister to many as we IMPACT Birmingham for Christ.

**Missions Prayer Focus** — Join in prayer this week for Life on Wheels. The organization is a state licensed mobile, medical clinic using ultrasound to serve women, save babies and share Jesus. Their goal is to serve abortion vulnerable women, provide alternatives to abortion, seek community resources, and provide support after the child is born. The flag of Birmingham is featured in the Worship Center this morning.

**Church Family** — Pray for hospitalized members Frank Barker III, Sandy Bell, Ric Cull, Bill Feist, and Curtis Terry.

Our love and sympathy to Shea Terry and family on the death of her father, Curtis Larry Summerlin, on March 10; to Julia, Huston and Kathleen Shirley and family on the loss of their stepfather and step grandfather, Rex McCrary, on March 11; to Ann Clarke and family on the death of her father, Guy Kaylor, on March 14; to the family of member Roberta Guthrie on her death on March 15; and to Kelly and Nathan Little and family on the death of their brother-in-law and uncle, Jamie Pugh, on March 15.

We rejoice with Jim and Katherine McPhail on the birth of their daughter, Elizabeth James, on March 11; and with Shane and Jessica Davis on the birth of their daughter, Bethany Hill, on March 14, and with grandparents Duane and Nancy Pritchett and Matt and Michele Davis.

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

# MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**Faith Promise Update** — As of the end of March, \$3,211,194.98 has been pledged to our Global Missions Faith Promise Fund, exceeding our Hallelujah goal of \$2,911,546 by \$299,648.98. Thank you to everyone who participated in this Faith Promise season!

**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 205-776-5282.

**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).

**Children on Palm Sunday** — March 29. Our Holy Week celebration begins with a palm branch procession as we remember Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. K4–6th graders meet in the Worship Center Lobby 15 minutes before each service.

**MidWeek at Briarwood** — There will be no MidWeek dinners or classes on March 25 or April 1 for Spring Break and Holy Week. MidWeek resumes April 8 and concludes on April 29. Find information and register for dinners at [briarwood.org/midweek](http://briarwood.org/midweek).

**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).

**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).

**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.

**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).

**Women Business Leaders, Director** — This role will focus on leading and managing the ministry of Women Business Leaders, focused on reaching working women within the Birmingham area. Send resume to [rgenin@briarwood.org](mailto:rgenin@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.