



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 – Sunday, January 15, 2023

Worship Leaders

Dr. Harry L. Reeder III, Pastor/Teacher

Mr. Bruce Stallings, Executive Pastor

Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor

Mr. Hunter Goff, Organist

Rev. Daniel Cason, Pianist

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*Let them extol Him in the congregation of the people, and
praise Him in the assembly of the elders. Psalm 107:32*

Call to Worship and Preparation from the Psalms

Psalm 98:3

All: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Prelude and Time of Meditation and Confession

“Amazing Grace”
Briarwood Orchestra

O Lord, I come to You to acknowledge and confess that I have sinned in thought and word and deed; I have not loved You with all my heart, soul, mind and strength. Grant to me godly sorrow for the wrong I have done and for the good I have left undone. I rejoice in the knowledge that I have forgiveness through Christ, my Lord, and accept His sacrifice on Calvary's cross on my behalf. Free me now to worship You with heart and soul and mind and strength!

Invocation

Gospel Word of Salvation

Greeting of Grace and Peace*

Hymns of Ascents*

“God of Grace and God of Glory” Hymn 292

The Confession of Truth*

I Thessalonians 2:8

All: So, being affectionately desirous of you, we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us.

Leader: *The Word of the Lord.*

All: Thanks be to God!

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

...addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart... Ephesians 5:19

Presentation and Consecration of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine. Proverbs 3:9-10

Musical Offering of Worship

"At the Name of Jesus"

Singing of Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

"It Was Finished Upon that Cross"

"Near the Cross" Hymn 385

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

...and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God... Ephesians 6:17

Prayer of Illumination*

New Testament Reading*†

John 1:29-42

Exposition of God's Word

Pastor Reeder

I. Project Andrew:

Bring Them to Him

"Andrew Bringing His Brother... and More"

John 1:29-42

THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Romans 12:1

Pastoral Benediction*

Congregational Affirmation

"Rescue the Perishing" Hymn 299

Cindy Reeder and Hunter Goff, Soloists

Postlude

"Psalm 19"

*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 also "signed" each week in the Worship Center.

Sunday morning services are broadcast live on WLJR 88.5 FM.

The 8:00 and 10:55 a.m. services are available online at briarwood.org/livestream.

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FELLOWSHIP OF WORSHIP

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

Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 78:1–4

Leader: *Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth! I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us.*

All: We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and His might, and the wonders that He has done.

Prayer of Invocation

Songs of Praise

*“His Mercy Is More”
“Grace Greater Than All Our Sin”
“O Come All You Unfaithful”*
Shane Davis, Worship Leader

Announcements

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

Daniel Cason, Soloist

Scripture and Sermon

Pastor Reeder

VII. Zechariah In Biblical Perspective
Zechariah 2:1–13

Benediction

Doxology

Postlude

GREETING FROM THE PASTOR

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. I 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.

–Harry L. Reeder III, Pastor/Teacher

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Your 2023 Quiet Time — The Bookstore has many materials available to lead your quiet time this year. Here are some of Pastor Reeder's recommendations: *ESV Every Day Bible: 365 Readings through the Whole Bible*, *One Year Chronological Bibles* (large print available), *Truth for Life Vol. Two* by Alistair Begg, *Tabletalk* subscription from Ligonier Ministries, and *Daily Bread* podcast by Pastor Reeder. Contact the Bookstore for help with any of these resources at 205-776-5210 or bookstore@briarwood.org.

Pastor's Inquirers' Class — This class for newcomers and prospective members meets January 18, 21, and 22. Attending does not obligate you to join. A luncheon for those joining will be held on January 29. For information or to sign up, email wlong@briarwood.org, call 205-776-5208, or go to briarwood.org/newmembers.

Men's and Women's Winter/Spring Studies — Men of the Covenant and Women's studies offer both morning and evening classes for men and women this quarter. View men's classes at briarwood.org/men and women's studies at briarwood.org/women.

Midweek at Briarwood — Join us for dinner in the FH each Wednesday evening from 5:15–6:30 p.m. Classes and activities for the entire family start at 6:30 p.m. Find a list of classes and opportunities at briarwood.org/midweek.

Trailblazers Sunday Lunch — January 22 at 12:15 p.m. in the FH. Keith Pugh, former University of Alabama National Championship wide receiver and Briarwood Stampede Staff, will share. Tickets are \$10 in the Bookstore and at briarwood.org/trailblazers.

GriefShare — Wednesdays from 6:30–8:00 p.m. in W202. Begin your journey from mourning to joy. Join our video/small group program that offers comfort and encouragement. Workbook \$15. Call 205-776-5227.

Ballet Classes — Starting January 18. Come dance with us! Briarwood Ballet is offering 8-week Adult Ballet and "Mommy and Me" classes. Register at briarwood.org/balletclasses.

Trailblazers Travel — March 27–31, Charleston, South Carolina. Trip includes historic home, plantation, Charleston City Market, Middleton Place, and cruise. Cost is \$715 and deposit is due by January 20. Contact sjohnston@briarwood.org or 205-776-5320.

Trailblazers Trip Meeting — February 6 at 4:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Come learn about the trip to Tuscany this September 27–October 5. Contact Sharon Johnston at sjohnston@briarwood.org for details.

EMPLOYMENT & JOB OPENINGS

Mail Room/Print Services Clerk — Full-time position with benefits. Clerk will manage shipping, receiving, and copy room printing for Briarwood ministries. Position requires a quick learner who can work independently, adapt to technology changes, be a problem-solver, and have a helpful and friendly attitude. Contact Landon McKee at lmckee@briarwood.org.

See all employment and job openings at briarwood.org/employment.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Working Women Fellowship Dinner — Briarwood Women | January 19

Thursday, January 19 from 6:00–7:30 p.m. in the FH. Join us for an evening of fellowship, engagement and encouragement from those with shared experiences. Our guest will be Sharon Head, Director of Women's Business Leaders. Register at briarwood.org/women. Dinner is \$8 at the door.

Sanctity of Life Sunday — National Ministries | January 22

Join us in worship as we celebrate the Sanctity of Life. Our supported Sanctity of Life Ministry Partners will be recognized during the morning services and you can visit with them in the Fellowship Hallway after the services. Find a list of these ministries at briarwood.org/sanctity. Briarwood is hosting a Diaper and Wipe Drive to support Bundles of Hope Bring your bags of diapers and wipes to leave behind your car that morning so they can be picked up while you are in church.

In-Town Women's Retreat — Briarwood Women | February 3–4

Join us to "Journey Together Briarwomen" hosted by Women's Ministry. Find details and register by January 23 at briarwood.org/women.

Sportsman's Blast — Men's Ministry | February 10

February 10 from 6:00–8:30 p.m. in the FH. Bring a friend for a BBQ dinner and to hear a gospel message from Jerry Leachman, former University of Alabama football player and chaplain for Fox News. For additional information go to briarwood.org/blast. Tickets are available for purchase in the Briarwood Bookstore.

Make nursery reservations for events at briarwood.org/nursery.

PRAYERS & CHURCH FAMILY

Local and Missions Prayer — Pray for those who will hear the Gospel this week as our evangelism teams share with people in the Birmingham area. May these lives be changed. Pray for Foundations Early Learning and Family Center as they partner with families around the Fairfield community to support education and spiritual growth for both children and their parents. Pray they may all succeed and be effective witnesses for Christ. (The flag of Birmingham is featured in today's worship service.)

Hospitalized: Frank Barker III, John Brennecke, Phillip Coker, Donna Evans, Bob Hand, Jennie Stone

Our love and sympathy — to Ken and Chip Elmer, Leigh Ann Tufts and family on the death of their mother and grandmother, Ruth Elmer, on January 6; to Sarah Lumpkin, Julie Sasse and family on the death of their husband and father, member Eddie Lumpkin, on January 7; and to Bill Zabel and family on the death of his wife, member Chris Zabel, on January 10.

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