



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 6, 2026

Worship Leaders

Dr. Scott Redd, Pastor

Rev. Saeyoung Park, Singles Ministry 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*

Welcome and Time of Meditation and Confession

Almighty and Holy Father, I confess that I am unworthy of Your gift of salvation. I have not loved You as I ought; I have not always been loving to my brothers and sisters in Christ, kindhearted and forgiving, even as You, for Christ's sake, have forgiven me. I have lived in selfishness and worldly pride, and the good gifts You have bestowed upon me have not been used to relieve the burdens of others. Pardon and blot out my offenses, I pray. Amen.

Choral Prelude

"O Word of God Incarnate"

Bonnie Furuto, Violinist & the Briarwood Sanctuary Choir

Call to Worship

Psalm 119:89

All: Forever, O LORD, Your Word is firmly fixed in the heavens.

Prayer of Invocation

Gospel Word of Salvation

Greeting of Grace & Peace*

Hymn of Ascents*

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" Hymn 51

Confession of Truth*

Westminster Larger Catechism #18

Colossians 1:7; 2 Thessalonians 3:3

Pastor: *What are God's works of providence?*

All: God's works of providence are His most holy, wise, and powerful preserving and governing all His creatures; ordering them, and all their actions, to His own glory.

Pastor: *For the Scriptures say, "He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together."*

All: The Scriptures further say that "The Lord is faithful. He will establish us and guard us against the evil one."

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

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

"Jesus, There's No One Like You"

Singing of Psalms, Hymns & Spiritual Songs*

*"The Lord is My Salvation"
"I Will Wait for You (Psalm 130)"*

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

Blessed are You, O LORD; teach me Your statutes! Psalm 119:12

Prayer of Illumination*

Scripture Reading*†

Psalm 121

Exposition of God's Word

Dr. Scott Redd, Pastor

"A Pilgrim Song"

Psalm 121

THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. II Corinthians 13:14

Pastoral Benediction*

Congregational Affirmation*

"The Doxology with Alleluias"

Postlude

"The Church's One Foundation"

*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. Max Bunn, Local Missions & Mobilization Pastor

Call to Worship

Psalms 46, selected

Pastor: *God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.*

All: Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth give way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, the Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Prayer of Invocation

Songs of Praise*

“All I Have is Christ”

“Sovereign Over Us”

Connor Weide, Worship Seminary Intern

Announcements

Offertory Prayer

The Offertory

“It Is Well”

Luke Philley, Soloist

Scripture & Sermon

Dr. Scott Redd, Pastor

“Take Heart”

Mark 6:45–56

Pastoral Benediction*

Congregational Affirmation*

“The Doxology”

Postlude

Ginger Collins, Pianist

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

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.

Local & National Ministries Conference | October 17–19 *

Join us on Sunday, October 18 and Monday, October 19 to hear from guest speaker Alistair Begg and the various ministry partners during the Sunday School and breakout sessions on Sunday and Monday night. Our conference kicks off on October 17 with IMPACT Birmingham Day. Find additional details and see how you can volunteer to help during this conference at briarwood.org/lnmc.

* 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 — Praise the Lord for the many children who are involved in our Sunday School Communities. May God grant the Sunday School teachers the humility to exemplify a deep dependence on Christ as their Good Shepherd. “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep” (John 10:11).

Birmingham Prayer Focus — Pray for Blanket Fort Hope, a ministry serving child survivors of human trafficking. Praise the Lord for the new Restoration Home! Pray for the new residents as they settle into their home, and for God's guidance as the ministry provides care, education, and the hope found in Christ.

Missions Prayer Focus — Please pray for ministry partners Gary and Jackie Burnett, serving in Colombia through Mesa Global. Following the recent earthquake, pray for those who have lost loved ones or homes, especially in impoverished communities with limited resources. Pray for God's comfort and healing, opportunities to share Christ's hope through trauma-healing resources, and financial provision for unexpected expenses. The flag of Colombia is featured in the Worship Center this Sunday.

Church Family — Tom Blair, Bruce Bush, Barbara Cartledge, Vera Cull, Susan Dunn, Leland Eaton, Linda Forbes, Pat Gordon, Joan Porter, Ashley Sanders, Priscilla Tester, Dan Thompson, Carl Wiggins.

Our love and sympathy to George Whaley and family on the death of his brother, Frank Whaley, on August 27; to David Franks, Kellie Stewart and family on the death of their wife and mother, member Karen Franks, on August 28; and to Brenda Harris and family on the death of her sister, Kathy McKelvey, on August 29.

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

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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.

Persecuted Church Prayer Meeting — September 13 at 5:00 pm in W-202. All are invited to a special time of prayer for our persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ.

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.

Trailblazers Movie Social — September 15 at 2:30 p.m. at Cahaba Ridge Retirement Community. Join the Briarwood Trailblazers on Tuesday, as we watch “I Can Only Imagine 2” No cost. Email sjohnston@briarwood.org to sign up.

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.

Youth Choir — Beginning September 20. Our Youth Choir (grades 7-12) meets Sunday evenings from 4:30-5:30 pm in the Youth Barn - immediately before D-groups. For more information, please contact Chris Neugent at 205-401-2623.

WBL Faith & Work Luncheon — September 23 from 11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at The Club. Join us for lunch, fellowship, and hear from Dr. Ashley George of Samford University on cultivating intentional presence in a distracted world. Register at wblbirmingham.org.

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.

Job Opening: Nursery Hallway Supervisor — This position will work each week during early service and work with a team to take turns supervising during Sunday School. Must be a member of Briarwood. Contact Angie Neugent at aneugent@briarwood.org.

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