

FOR GOD'S GLORY, WE ARE COMMITTED TO EQUIPPING CHRISTIANS TO WORSHIP GOD AND TO REACH BIRMINGHAM TO REACH THE WORLD FOR CHRIST.



CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Morning Services of Divine Worship - August 11, 2024

Worship Leaders

Dr. Dan Doriani, Interim Pastor 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 & Preparation from the Psalms

Leader: Make me to know Your ways, O LORD; teach me Your paths.

All: Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; for You I wait all the day long.

Prelude & Time of Meditation & Confession

Life-giving God, quicken me to call upon Your Name, for my mind is ignorant, my thoughts vagrant, my affections earthly, my heart unbelieving and only Your Spirit can help my infirmities. I approach You as Father and Friend, my portion forever, my exceeding joy, my strength of heart. I believe in You as the God of nature, the ordainer of providence, the sender of Jesus my Savior. My guilty fears discourage an approach to You, but I praise You for the blessed news that Jesus reconciles me to You.

(Please come forward for the Ten-Minute Summer Choir)

Choral I		"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" Hymn 97 Ten-Minute Summer Choir
Invocati	on	
Gospel	Word of Salvation	
Greeting	g of Grace & Peace*	
Hymn of Ascents*		"Jesus Shall Reign" Hymn 231
The Confession of Truth*		Hebrews 1:2-3
Leader:	eader: Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets,	

All: But in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son, whom He appointed the heir of all things, through whom also He created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of His nature, and He upholds the universe by the Word of His power.

Psalm 25:4-5

"Praise Medley"

THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE Call to Me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known. Jeremiah 33:3

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 the Sure and Steady Anchor" Hannah Brennan, Worship Associate

Singing of Psalms, Hymns & Spiritual Songs*

"In Christ Alone" "His Glory and My Good"

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD ... but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on His law he meditates day and night. Psalm 1:2

Prayer of Illumination*

The Old Testament Reading*†

Exposition of God's Word

"Wounded, Healed" Psalm 69:1-21

THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE The LORD bless you and keep you... Numbers 6:24

Congregational Affirmation*

Pastoral Benediction*

Postlude

"The Church's One Foundation"

"The Doxology with Alleluias"

*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. Texts used with permission granted through CCLI License agreement 124545. Scripture quotations are from the Holy Bible, English Standard Version.

Psalm 69:1-21

Dr. Dan Doriani

FELLOWSHIP OF WORSHIP

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

Prelude		Hunter Goff	
Welcome		Benny Youngblood	
Call to Worship		Psalm 16:5–6	
Leader: The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; You hold my lot.			
All:	The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.		
Prayer o	of Invocation		
U U	f Praise*	"Praise to the Lord, The Almighty" Hymn 8 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Hymn 185	
Announcements			
Offertory Prayer		Dr. Dan Doriani	
Offerto	ry	"O, What a Beautiful City"	
Scriptu	re & Sermon	"In a Manner Worthy" Ephesians 4	
Prayers for the Stallings			
Hymn of Response*		"Take My Life and Let it Be" Hymn 379	
Doxology*		John Haines	
Benedic	tion*		
Postlud	e		

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.

- The Briarwood Church Family

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Persecuted Church Prayer — Today at 5:00 p.m. in G103. All are invited to this time of prayer for our persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ.

Bruce & Sonya Stallings Reception — Tonight after the evening Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall. All are invited to honor Bruce and Sonya Stallings for their many years of service at Briarwood.

Become a Briarwood Member — August 14, 17 and 18. All newcomers and prospective members are invited to attend our Briarwood Inquirers' Classes. Attending these classes does not obligate you to join. To sign up, email Wendy at wlong@briarwood.org.

Canned Food Drive — Sunday, August 18. Begin gathering your canned goods and non-perishables for Grace Klein. That Sunday, you will leave your donations behind your vehicle for the Mercy Ministry Team to pick up while you are in church.

Trailblazers Ice Cream Social — August 19 from 2:30–4:30 p.m. at Club 55 Clubhouse (8145 Annika Drive). Come enjoy a time of fellowship and the sounds of Jay and The Elders Quartet. Sign up at briarwood.org/trailblazers.

Foster Parent Interest Lunch — Sunday, August 18 in G103 following the second service. Join others interested in learning about fostering a child in need. Cost is free but we need you to register for meal planning. Register at briarwood.org/fostering.

Congregational Meeting — Sunday, August 25 from 8:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. In accordance with the Book of Church Order, the Session has called a congregational meeting for the purpose of electing the Pulpit Committee.

YBL Summer Study — Mondays from 7:00–8:15 p.m. at the home of Mark Edwards, 2022 Country Ridge Place. Join us for a six-week YBL Summer Study titled Christian Manhood: Character Studies from 1 Samuel. Register at bit.ly/YBLChristianManhood.

Men's Summer Study — Men, come this summer for a Wednesday study in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 a.m. We will be over-viewing *Work: Its Purpose, Dignity, and Transformation* by Dan Doriani. See details at briarwood.org/men.

WBL Summer Series — Every other Wednesday at noon at Grace Church. Join us for six lunch-hour studies on "Jesus Through the Eyes of Women" by Rebecca McLaughlin. Find details at bit.ly/wbl-summer-series.

Job Opening: Senior Staff Administrative Assistant — Seeking a full-time administrative assistant for Briarwood's senior staff. Applicants need excellent communication and organizational skills, proficiency with Microsoft Office and previous experience as an executive assistant is preferred. Send résumés to Matt Moore at mmoore@briarwood.org.

Job Opening: CMMA Administrative Assistant — Christian Medical Ministry of Alabama is looking for a full-time Administrative Assistant. If you are interested, contact CMMA at 776-5470/5471 or cmmaadmin@briarwood.org.

FEATURED EVENTS

Men's Fall Football Kickoff – Men's Ministry | August 14

Wednesday, August 14 from 6:00–8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Come hear how local high school head coaches Matthew Forester, Robert Evans, and Chris Yeager model their Christian faith and have success at the highest divisions. Tickets are available for \$10 at briarwood.org/men.

Special Needs Resource Fair — Special Connections | August 22

Come hear from over 100 agencies that serve people with Special Needs and their families in the Fellowship Hall on August 22 from 6:00–8:00 p.m. There is no cost to attend, but registration is required at briarwood.org/specialneedsresourcefair.

Women's Fall Kickoff – Women's Ministry | August 24 *

Women, join us for our Women's Fall Kickoff on Saturday, August 24 from 10:00 a.m. to noon in the Fellowship Hall. This Olympic-themed event will focus on fellowship, food and fun! There is no cost, but registration helps us in our planning. For more details and to register go to briarwood.org/women.

Foster Parent Class Orientation — National Ministries | Tuesday, August 27

Lifeline Children's Services offers Foster Parent Training Classes (10 weeks at 6:00 p.m. in G101) that teach the state curriculum from a biblical perspective. Orientation is required to attend classes. Email cade.smith@lifelinechild.org with questions.

* 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 — Pray for our men's and women's fall Bible studies teachers as they plan and prepare. Pray for the fellowship time at the Men's Kickoff this week and at the Women's Kickoff on August 24.

Missions Prayer Focus — Pray for the curriculum details being finalized for the October Lampstand mentoring training in Pennsylvania. Also, pray for Pastor Rob Looper as he follows up on connections with pastors and church leaders from General Assembly about their interest in Briarwood's Lampstand Conference. (The flag of Pennsylvania is featured in today's worship service.)

Hospitalized — Debbie Doriani, Debbi Gazzini, Claudia Hawkins, Merle Howard, Jo Taylor

Our Love and Sympathy — to Michael and Miles Stewart and family on the death of their mother and grandmother, Kathryn Stewart, on July 23; to Bob Shaw and family on the death of his stepmother, Margaret Shaw, on July 28; Cathy Craig and family on the death of her mother, Mary Jo Williams, on July 31; to Jim and Grace Ragland, Lindsey Shaver and family on the death of their mother and grandmother, Cloris Ragland Fuchs, on August 4; and to Ken Austin and family on the death of his father, James Austin, on August 5.