

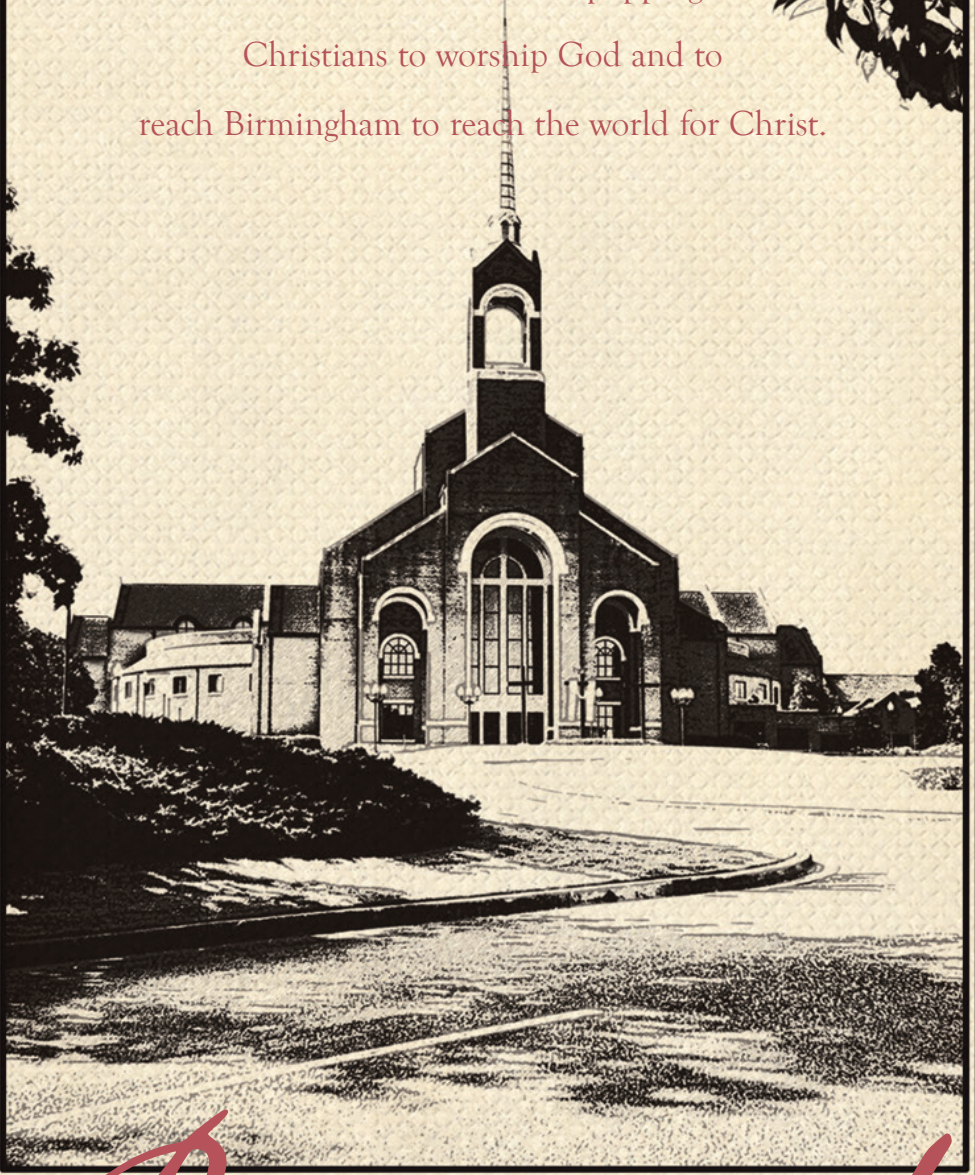


For God's glory,

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 – March 21, 2021

Worship Leaders

Dr. Harry L. Reeder III, Pastor/Teacher

Mr. Bruce Stallings, Executive Pastor

Rev. Daniel Cason, Pianist

Dr. John Haines, Worship Pastor

Mr. Hunter Goff, Organist

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*"I will tell of Your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation
I will sing Your praise." Hebrews 2:12*

The Call to Worship and Preparation from the Psalms

Psalm 99:5

[All:] Exalt the LORD our God; worship at His footstool! Holy is He!

The Prelude and Time of Meditation and Confession *"Come, Thou Fount"* (arr. Bish)

Sovereign God, Your cause, not my own, engages my heart, and I appeal to You with greatest freedom to set up Your kingdom in every place where Satan reigns; Glorify Yourself and I will rejoice, for to bring honor to Your name is my sole desire. I adore You that You are God, and long that others should know it, feel it, and rejoice in it. O that all men might love and praise You, that You might have all glory from the intelligent world! Let sinners be brought to You for Your dear name! Lord, use me as You will, do with me what You will; but, O, promote Your cause, let your kingdom come, let Your blessed interest be advanced in this world!

from *The Valley of Vision*

The Invocation

The Gospel Word of Salvation

*The Greeting of Grace and Peace

The Hymn of Ascents

"Holy, Holy, Holy" Hymn 262

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints adore Thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,

Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,

Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;

Only Thou art holy—there is none beside Thee,

Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth, and sky, and sea;

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

[Leader:] *Christians, what do you believe?*

[All:] I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. *universal

THE PETITIONING OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE

O LORD, in the morning You hear my voice... Psalm 5:3

The Pastoral Prayer of Intercession

THE ADORATION OF GOD'S GLORY

Let the heavens praise Your wonders, O LORD, Your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones! Psalm 89:5

The Presentation and Consecration of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. II Corinthians 9:7

The Musical Offering of Worship

"Build My Life" (Younker/Martin)

Worthy of every song we could ever sing.

Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring.

Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe. We live for You.

Jesus, the name above every other name.

Jesus, the only One who could ever save.

Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe. We live for You, we live for You.

[Chorus:]

Holy, there is no one like You, there is none beside You.

Open up my eyes in wonder.

Show me who You are and fill me with Your heart,

And lead me in Your love to those around me.

Worthy, worthy of every song we could ever sing.

Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring.

Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe. We live for You, we live for You.

Jesus, the name above every other name.

Jesus, the only One who could ever save.

Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe. We live for You, oh, we live for You. (Chorus)

I will build my life upon Your love, it is a firm foundation.

I will put my trust in You alone and I will not be shaken. (Repeat x2) (Chorus)

*The Singing of Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs "Revelation Song" · "Agnus Dei"

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Holy, holy is He.

Sing a new song to Him who sits on Heaven's mercy seat.

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Holy, holy is He.

Sing a new song to Him who sits on Heaven's mercy seat.

[Chorus:]

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come.
With all creation I sing,
Praise to the King of kings.
You are my everything and I will adore You.

Clothed in rainbows of living color,
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder.
Blessing and honor, strength and glory, and power be
To You, the only wise King! (Chorus)

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder
At the mention of Your name.
Jesus, Your name is power, breath and living water.
Such a marvelous mystery. (Chorus x2)

Alleluia! Alleluia! For the Lord, God almighty reigns.
Alleluia! Alleluia! For the Lord, God almighty reigns.
Alleluia! Holy, holy are you Lord God, almighty.
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb. (Repeat)

For You are holy, holy are You, Lord God, almighty.
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb. Amen.

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*

*The Prayer of Illumination

*†The New Testament Reading

Isaiah 6:1-3

The Exposition of God's Word

“Holy, Holy, Holy!”
Isaiah 6

THE CONSECRATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*...that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 15:6*

*The Pastoral Benediction

*The Congregational Affirmation

“The Doxology with Alleluias”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Postlude

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past” (Croft)

* The congregation is requested to stand, if able.

The 8:00 and 11:00 Sunday morning services are broadcast live on WLJR 88.5 FM, and are also available online at briarwood.org/livetv. Watch the recording anytime at briarwood.org/archivetv.
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Scripture quotations are from the Holy Bible, English Standard Version.

Prayers *and* Praises

Praise the Lord! *I love You, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.* Psalm 18:1, 2

Pray for Christians around the world to share their faith in Jesus as Easter Sunday draws near and for those who hear of His love for us to receive Him as Lord and Savior.

Praise the Lord for his provision and faithfulness within the Aspire Movement during 2020. Pray for God to not only sustain the mentors/student matches but take them deeper, save the youth and begin a process of maturity in their lives. Pray for potential collaboration with Elevate Birmingham as they seek to establish a ministry at Huffman High School. (*The flag of Birmingham is featured in today's worship service.*)

"Continue steadfastly in prayer..." Colossians 4:2a

Opportunities *for* Ministry *and* Growth

In order to facilitate services of Divine Worship for all who desire to attend in person, reservations will be required for the April 1, 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday service as well as the five worship services on Easter Sunday at 6:30, 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Please register for the service(s) you desire to attend, and also for the Children's Worship and Nursery. All services will also be available via livestream at briarwood.org/livetv, and on Facebook, Roku, AppleTV and the BriarwoodPCA App.

Easter Lily sales end today! Dedicate a lily to be placed in the Worship Center in memory or honor of someone special for Easter Sunday by ordering online at briarwood.org/lily. We must have your order by midnight tonight!

Please continue bringing non-perishable foods for the Community Food Drive by dropping off donations to the marked trailer located in Parking Lot-B, Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., and Sundays 7:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The Mercy Ministry/Christian Service Mission are grateful for your support.

Our Church Family

Hospitalized: Murdoch McRae, Barbara Pierce, Betsy Ryan, John Schoppert

Our love and sympathy to Brian, Mary Glynn, David and Daniel Scharf and family on the death of their mother and grandmother, Betty Scharf, on Mar. 14; and to Jim Gewin, Anne Marie Runnels and family on the death of their brother and uncle, Robert Gewin, on Mar. 15.

Announcements

Children's Worship will be provided for all Holy Week services except Good Friday. When reserving your space for the worship service of your choice, please be sure and reserve your child(ren) space by clicking the link at briarwood.org/easter.

The Briarwood Nursery will provide childcare for all Holy Week services, with reservations. When reserving your space for the worship service of your choice, please be sure and reserve your child(ren) nursery space by clicking the link at briarwood.org/easter or going to briarwood.org/nursery.

Holy Week Devotional—To assist you in your walk with the Lord during the Week of Passion, Briarwood will provide a Holy Week Devotional Guide that will be delivered daily through the BriarwoodPCA App, and also be available at briarwood.org/holyweek. Confirm you allow push notifications on the app to be sure you receive the daily devotions.

A reminder that the Briarwood Christian Bookstore and Church Library are both open on Sunday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Or you may make purchases by calling 205-776-5210, emailing bookstore@briarwood.org, or shopping online by going to briarwood.org/webstore. The Bookstore can either mail your orders to you or provide convenient pickup at the church.

Calling all BYG and College Graduating Seniors! To effectively minister and recognize your senior it is critically important that you take a moment to visit the website and fill out the information form by Mon., Apr. 26. High school seniors go to briarwood.org/seniors. College seniors go to briarwood.org/college.

College Monday Night Gatherings at the Barn—Join us at 8:00 p.m. as we look at Gospel Living taught by various teachers.

College Small Group Bible Studies are available. For more information, email Max Bunn at mbunn@briarwood.org or Jenna Viets at jviets@briarwood.org.

The Men's Saturday morning prayer group is meeting at 7:00 a.m. in the Mountain View Building. Contact Dave Matthews for information at dmatthews@briarwood.org.

Briarwood continues to provide streaming online of our Sunday morning worship at 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. and the evening service at 6:00 p.m. Both morning worship services are available on WLJR-FM 88.5, and you can watch all live services at briarwood.org/livety, on the BriarwoodPCA App, Facebook, Roku and AppleTV. Recorded services are available online anytime at briarwood.org/archivety, on the BriarwoodPCA App, Facebook and Vimeo.

Worship Center Roof Replacement—Pray for the safety of all involved in the replacing of our Worship Center Roofing System. For your protection, please do not enter the fenced areas around the Worship Center. We appreciate your patience during this season of renovation.

If you are interested in infant Baptism in our Sunday morning services, contact Marie Gathings at 205-776-5204 or mgathings@briarwood.org for future available dates. Also if you are interested in a "New Believer" baptism, contact Wendy Long in the Membership Office at 205-776-5208.

Job opportunities are currently available with several Briarwood ministries. See the listing at briarwood.org/employment with details on the positions as well as how to apply.