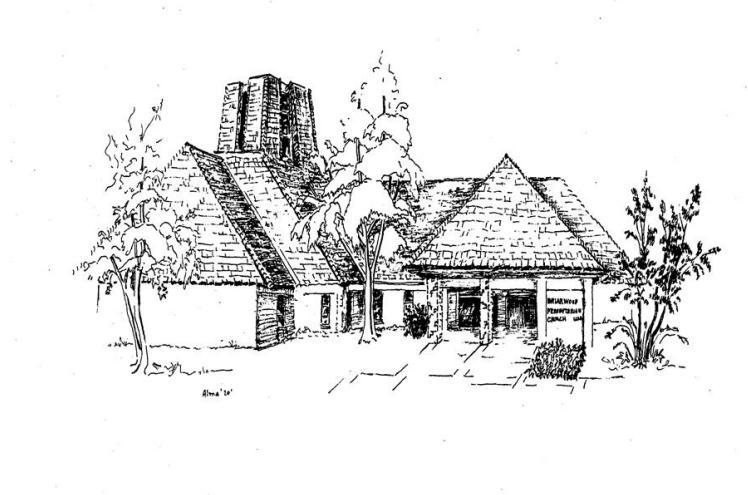


**Briarwood Presbyterian Church  
Morning Worship 10:25 a.m.  
November 14, 2021  
Liturgical Color: Green**



*Putting **God** first  
Keeping **Christ's** Commands  
Caring for People's Needs within the Church  
and the **Community***

## THE GATHERING

\*Worshippers are invited to stand, if able. +Usher will seat you.  
Please remember to turn off your cell phone while in the sanctuary.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS            Rev. Charles Bowdler  
We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in  
the worship, programs and service life of Briarwood Presbyterian  
Church.

### INVITATION TO WORSHIP

*Use this time to make the transition from getting here to being here.  
Relax your body, quiet the inner dialogue of your mind, open yourself  
to the Spirit of God moving in our midst, and prepare to worship God  
joyfully with the body of Christ gathered here today.*

VOLUNTARY    *Allegro (from Sinfonia No. 12)*    VIVALDI, arr. NORRIS

### CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

#### OPENING PRAYER

**Ever-living God, before the earth was formed and even after it  
shall cease to be, you are God. Break into our short span of life  
and show us those things that are eternal, that we may serve  
your purpose in all we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who  
lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God,  
now and forever. Amen.**

\*HYMN 32            *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*            ELLACOMBE

*1 I sing the mighty power of God  
that made the mountains rise,  
that spread the flowing seas abroad  
and built the lofty skies.  
I sing the wisdom that ordained*

*the sun to rule the day.  
The moon shines full at God's command,  
and all the stars obey.*

*2 I sing the goodness of the Lord  
who filled the earth with food.  
God formed the creatures through the Word,  
and then pronounced them good.  
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed,  
where'er I turn my eye,  
if I survey the ground I tread,  
or gaze upon the sky!*

*3 There's not a plant or flower below  
but makes thy glories known.  
And clouds arise, and tempests blow,  
by order from thy throne,  
while all that borrows life from thee  
is ever in thy care,  
and everywhere that we can be,  
thou, God, art present there.*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. (Silence for Private Confession)**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI

## THE WORD

VETERANS DAY OBSERVANCE

+YOUNG DISCIPLES TIME

MUSIC

*Jesus Paid It All*

arr STERLING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Amos 1:1-2; 5:14-15, 21-24

**1** The words of Amos, who was among the shepherds of Tekoa, which he saw concerning Israel in the days of King Uzziah of Judah and in the days of King Jeroboam son of Joash of Israel, two years before the earthquake.

*Judgment on Israel's Neighbors*

**2** And he said:

The LORD roars from Zion,  
and utters his voice from Jerusalem;  
the pastures of the shepherds wither,  
and the top of Carmel dries up.

*A Lament for Israel's Sin*

**5** <sup>14</sup> Seek good and not evil,  
that you may live;

and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,  
just as you have said.

<sup>15</sup> Hate evil and love good,  
and establish justice in the gate;  
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,  
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

### *The Day of the Lord a Dark Day*

<sup>21</sup> I hate, I despise your festivals,  
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.  
<sup>22</sup> Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain  
offerings,  
I will not accept them;  
and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals  
I will not look upon.  
<sup>23</sup> Take away from me the noise of your songs;  
I will not listen to the melody of your harps.  
<sup>24</sup> But let justice roll down like waters,  
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

The Word of the Lord

### **Thanks be unto God**

SERMON

“Justice Rolls Down”

Rev. Bowdler

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles Creed

**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 Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God**

**the Father almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*HYMN 772

*Live into Hope*

TRURO

*1 Live into hope of captives freed,  
of sight regained, the end of greed.  
The oppressed shall be the first to see  
the year of God's own jubilee!*

*2 Live into hope! The blind shall see  
with insight and with clarity,  
removing shades of pride and fear,  
a vision of our God brought near.*

*3 Live into hope of liberty,  
the right to speak, the right to be,  
the right to have one's daily bread,  
to hear God's word and thus be fed.*

*4 Live into hope of captives freed  
from chains of fear or want or greed.  
God now proclaims our full release  
to faith and hope and joy and peace.*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever, Amen**

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENT OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## THE SENDING

\*HYMN 298      *Lord, You Give the Great Commission*

ABBOT'S LEIGH

1 *Lord, you give the great commission:*

*"Heal the sick and preach the word."*

*Lest the church neglect its mission,  
and the gospel go unheard,*

*help us witness to your purpose  
with renewed integrity:*

*with the Spirit's gifts empower us  
for the work of ministry.*

2 *Lord, you call us to your service:*

*"In my name baptize and teach."*

*That the world may trust your promise,  
life abundant meant for each,*

*give us all new fervor, draw us  
closer in community:*

*with the Spirit's gifts empower us  
for the work of ministry.*

3 *Lord, you make the common holy:*

*"This, my body; this, my blood."*

*Let us all, for earth's true glory,  
daily lift life heavenward,*

*asking that the world around us  
share your children's liberty:  
with the Spirit's gifts empower us  
for the work of ministry.*

*4 Lord, you show us love's true measure:  
"Father, what they do, forgive."  
Yet we hoard as private treasure  
all that you so freely give.  
May your care and mercy lead us  
to a just society:  
with the Spirit's gifts empower us  
for the work of ministry.*

*5 Lord, you bless with words assuring:  
"I am with you to the end."  
Faith and hope and love restoring,  
may we serve as you intend,  
and, amid the cares that claim us,  
hold in mind eternity:  
with the Spirit's gifts empower us  
for the work of ministry.*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE                      *Prelude on "Deo Gracias"*                      GORDON YOUNG

## **PRAYER & CARE CONCERNS**

(Names in **bold** indicate new concerns)

**Members**     **Lee and Patricia Breeland**, Nora Brunson, **Mary Carlisle**, Joy Clemmer, Vance Clemmer, **Donnie Cole**, Hope Conerly, Lisa Davis, **George Forkin**, Dean Gerber, Noel Guthrie,



Hugh Hogue, Jeanne Hulsman, Vicki Jensen, Mary Kirby, **Marcia Magee**, **Pat Ray**, **Marian Sessums**, Paul & Crea Shelton, Betty Simmons, **Susan Sumrall**, Jerry and **Martie Taylor**, Kathy Van Tassell, **Myra Wheaton**

**Family & Friends** Jeremy Ansah, Lenny Barnhill (Diane Hall's brother-in-law), Terry Black (friend of Bob & Diane Hall), Cal Bowdler (Charles' nephew), Larry Coleman, **Loretta Coleman** (Larry & Louis' sister), **Kathy Miller Evans** (Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller's sister), Margaret Ann Forester, Jeannie Jenkins (Bill Dillon's daughter), **Greg Koziel**, Dennis Lightsey (Malcolm's brother), **Joe Martin**, Taaji Moore (Josie Moore's son), Grace & Amos O'Gwynn, James Paul (Suzanne Stephens' brother), Norman Rowsey (Ella Edwards' son-in-law), **Sarah Schobesberger** (Lisa & Werner's daughter), Sandra Smith, **William (Bill) Smith**

**Missions** Lisa & Werner Schobesberger, Austria; Mission Hope

**Military** Grace Foster, Matt Jasinski, Kevin Jameson, Jordan Saunders

**Elders this week:** Dan Duggan & Joanne White

**Elders next week:** Susan Bostwick & Corinne Fox

**Flower Team this week:** Nancy Bailey

**Flower Team next week:** Dawn Pearson & Suzanne Stephens

**Videographer this week:** Mark Bailey

**Videographer next week:** Audie Dodson

### **USHERS THIS MONTH**

Susan Bostwick – Myra Cook – Suzan Dorsey –  
Warren Dorsey – Hugh Hogue

## CHURCH CALENDAR

### **SUNDAY, November 14**

- 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice, Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time
- 10:25 a.m. Worship in person or Live on Facebook
- 11:45 a.m. Naomi Circle, Heritage Room

### **MONDAY, November 15**

- 9:30 a.m. Explorers Bible Study, Adult Library
- 11:00 a.m. Congregational Care Committee, Adult Library (hybrid meeting)
- 5:30 p.m. Explorers Bible Study, Heritage Room

### **TUESDAY, November 16**

- 10:00 a.m. Mary Martha Day, Fellowship Hall

### **WEDNESDAY, November 17**

- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Fellowship
- 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice

### **THURSDAY, November 18**

- 7:30 a.m. Prayer for Jackson, Highland Village
- 11:00 a.m. Devotion, via GoToMeeting

### **SATURDAY, November 20**

Billy Brumfield Meal – Dick & Judy Foster

### **SUNDAY, November 21, *Christ the King Sunday***

*Stewardship Dedication Sunday*

- 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice, Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time
- 10:25 a.m. Worship in person or Live on Facebook
- 11:45 a.m. Stewardship Luncheon, Fellowship Hall

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS:** Following the worship service each week, Elders meet to receive new members in the church office located on the southwest side, behind the sanctuary. We welcome everyone who trusts in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord and who desires to be an active part of our family of faith.

**MARY MARTHA DAY:** Presbyterian Women will have Mary Martha Day Tuesday, November 16 at 10:00 a.m. Activities will include making scarves for Stewpot and others, and writing and addressing Christmas cards for shut-ins. Our time together will also include a devotion and light lunch. Please contact Nell Bradford with names and addresses for cards.

**STEWARDSHIP DEDICATION SUNDAY:** Next Sunday, November 21, is Stewardship Dedication Sunday. We will wrap up our stewardship emphasis by presenting our pledges for 2022, and celebrate our commitment to the future with a Stewardship Luncheon following worship. **If you plan to attend that Luncheon, please complete the enclosed slip as your reservation and place it in one of the offering plates, or contact the church office.**

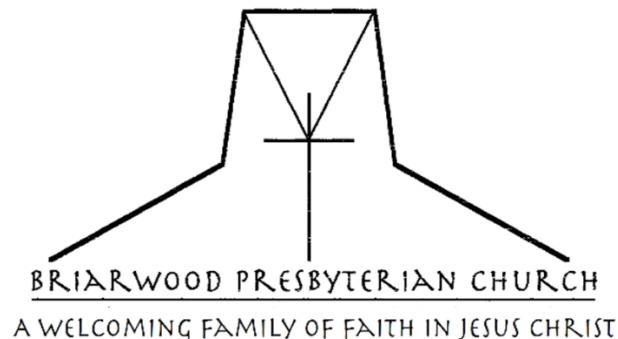
**BEREAVEMENT TEAMS** provide ease and comfort for families in time of grief, usually cooking a meal for the family and out of town guests, hosting the visitation if it is held at the church, and assisting with the needs of the family that day. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Corinne Fox, Jane Gerber, or the church office.

## SESSION

<b>Class of 2022</b>	<b>Class of 2023</b>	<b>Class of 2024</b>
Dan Duggan	Susan Bostwick	Warren Dorsey
Corinne Fox	Joanne Girod	Anne Dreher
David French	Joy Lightsey	Jim Jackson
Hugh Hogue	Tracee Thompson	Doris Schneider

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