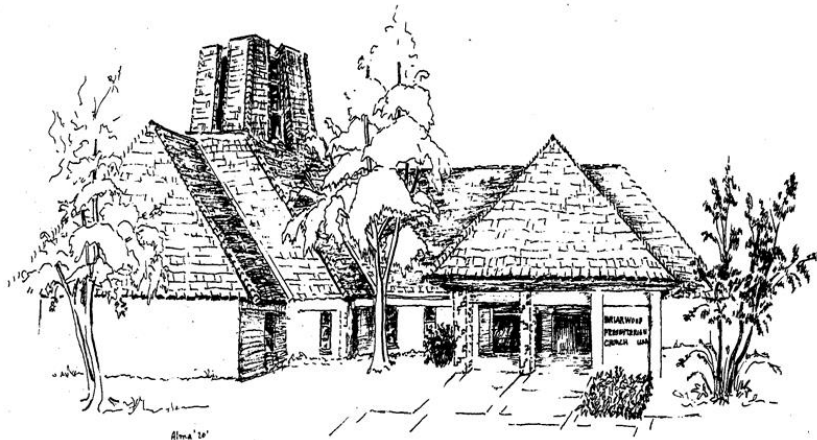


**Briarwood Presbyterian Church  
Morning Worship 10:25 a.m.  
January 2, 2022  
Liturgical Color: White**



*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                      *Glorious Day in David's Town*                      G.F. HANDEL

### CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

#### OPENING PRAYER

**God of heaven and earth, we gather in the name of Jesus to hear  
your holy Word and to be immersed in your Spirit. Speak to us  
with grace and truth and pour out your love upon us so that this  
temple may resound with joyful shouts of glory; through Christ  
our Lord. Amen.**

\*HYMN 667                      *When Morning Gilds the Skies*                      LAUDES DOMINI

*1 When morning gilds the skies,  
my heart awaking cries:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Alike at work and prayer  
to Jesus I repair:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!*

2 Does sadness fill my mind?  
A solace here I find:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Or fades my earthly bliss?  
My comfort still is this:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!

3 Let earth's wide circle round  
in joyful notes resound:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Let air and sea and sky  
from depth to height reply:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!

4 Be this, while life is mine,  
my canticle divine:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Be this the eternal song  
through all the ages long:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone what we ought to have done, and we have done what we ought not to have done. Yet, good Lord, have mercy on us: restore us, according to your promises declared to us in Jesus Christ our Lord. And grant, merciful Father, for Jesus' sake, that we may live a godly, righteous, and obedient life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

(Silence for Private Confession)

# ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI

## THE WORD

+YOUNG DISCIPLES TIME

MUSIC

*Go Tell It on the Mountain*  
Charlyne Jones, organ

PAUL MANZ

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM LESSON:

Psalm 66:1-5

*Praise for God's Goodness to Israel*

- <sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;  
<sup>2</sup> sing the glory of his name;  
give to him glorious praise.  
<sup>3</sup> Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!  
Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.  
<sup>4</sup> All the earth worships you;  
they sing praises to you,  
sing praises to your name." *Selah*  
<sup>5</sup> Come and see what God has done:  
he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

GOSPEL LESSON:

John 1:35-51

*The First Disciples of Jesus*

- <sup>35</sup> The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup> and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" <sup>37</sup> The two disciples heard him say this,

and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup> When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” <sup>39</sup> He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup> One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. <sup>41</sup> He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup> He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

### *Jesus Calls Philip and Nathanael*

<sup>43</sup> The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” <sup>44</sup> Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup> Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.” <sup>46</sup> Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” <sup>47</sup> When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” <sup>48</sup> Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.” <sup>49</sup> Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” <sup>50</sup> Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” <sup>51</sup> And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

SERMON

“Come and See”

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 720

*Jesus Calls Us*

GALILEE

*1 Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult  
of our life's wild, restless sea;  
day by day his sweet voice soundeth  
saying, "Christian, follow me."*

*2 Jesus calls us from the worship  
of the vain world's golden store,  
from each idol that would keep us,  
saying, "Christian, love me more."*

*3 In our joys and in our sorrows,  
days of toil and hours of ease,  
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
"Christian, love me more than these."*

*4 Jesus calls us: by thy mercies,  
Savior, may we hear thy call,  
give our hearts to thy obedience,  
serve and love thee best of all.*

## 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**

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## THE SENDING

\*HYMN 260

*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

HYFRYDOL

*1 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;  
his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone!  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood:  
"Jesus out of every nation  
has redeemed us by his blood."*

*2 Alleluia! Not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! he is near us;  
faith believes nor questions how.  
Though the cloud from sight received him,  
when the forty days were o'er,*

*shall our hearts forget his promise:  
"I am with you evermore"?*

*3 Alleluia! Bread of angels,  
here on earth our food, our stay;  
Alleluia! here the sinful  
flee to you from day to day.  
Intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's redeemer, hear our plea  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.*

*4 Alleluia! King eternal,  
Lord omnipotent we own;  
Alleluia! born of Mary,  
earth your footstool, heaven your throne.  
As within the veil you entered,  
robed in flesh, our great high priest;  
here on earth both priest and victim  
in the eucharistic feast.*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE**

*Christmas Joy*

**GILBERT MARTIN**



## **PRAYER & CARE CONCERNS**

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

**Members:** **William Bowdler**, **Nora Brunson**, **Bill 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 Taylor**, Kathy Van Tassell, **Myra Wheaton**

**Family & Friends:** Tiara Amos (Kathy Van Tassell's friend), Jeremy Ansah, Lenny Barnhill (Diane Hall's brother-in-law), Terry Black (friend of Bob & Diane Hall), **Isaac Coleman** (Larry & Louis' brother), Larry Coleman, 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), Laura Lindell (Lea Ann McElroy's and Stephanie Smith's sister), **Joe Martin**, Taaji Moore (Josie Moore's son), Grace & Amos O'Gwynn, 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:** Susan Bostwick & Corinne Fox

**Elders next week:** David French & Joy Lightsey

**Flower Team this week:** Tommie Cole

**Flower Team next week:** TBD

**Videographer this week:** Mark Bailey

**Videographer next week:** Dan Duggan

## **USHERS THIS MONTH**

Mark Bailey – Anne Dreher – Lea Ann McElroy – Linda Simmons

## **CHURCH CALENDAR**

### **SUNDAY, January 2, *Second Sunday of Christmas***

9:00 a.m. – Choir Practice

10:00 a.m. – Fellowship Time

10:25 a.m. – Worship in person or Live on Facebook

### **MONDAY, January 3, *Office Closed***

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

### **WEDNESDAY, January 5**

10:30 a.m. – Staff Meeting

### **THURSDAY, January 6, *Epiphany of the Lord***

7:30 a.m. – Prayer for Jackson, Highland Village

11:00 a.m. – Devotion, via GoToMeeting

### **FRIDAY, January 7**

7:30 a.m. – First Friday Free Coffee

### **SUNDAY, January 9, *Baptism of the Lord***

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

## 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.

**2022 PLEDGES:** If you have not yet submitted your 2022 pledge card, please do so as soon as possible. Cards are available at each entrance should you need one.

**THANK YOU:** Thank you, Briarwood family, for the generous staff bonus gifts you gave us last month. We love and appreciate each of you! Charles, Barney, Charlyne, Louis, Josie, Brenda & Lea Ann

**OFFICE CLOSED:** The office will be closed Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> for the New Year holiday.

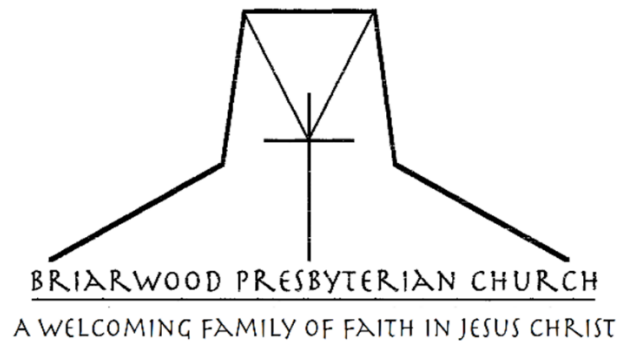
**REV. BOWDLER OUT:** Charles will be out of the office January 7-13 so he can participate in the baptism of his granddaughters in Seattle! In his absence, we will welcome Rev. Bob Madsen, Regional Executive Presbyter of the Presbyteries of South Alabama and Mississippi, to our pulpit next Sunday. We will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper on Sunday, January 16.

## SESSION

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

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