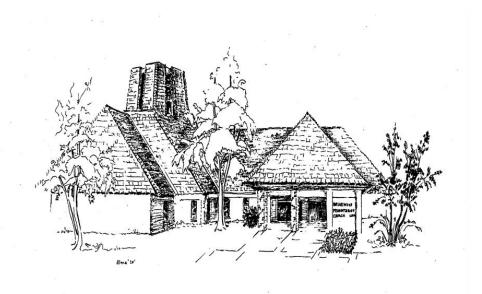
Briarwood Presbyterian Church Morning Worship 10:25 a.m. March 27, 2022 Liturgical Color: Purple Fourth Sunday in Lent



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

# THE GATHERING

\*Worshipers 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

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

### **OPENING PRAYER**

Gracious God, in order that the children of earth might discern good from evil you sent your Son to be the light of the world. As Christ shines upon us, may we learn what pleases you, and live in all truth and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

\*HYMN 363 Rejoice, the Lord is King! DARWALL'S 148TH 1 Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore!

Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.

Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

2 Our Savior, Jesus, reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above. Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

3 His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given. Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

4 Rejoice in glorious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come and gather all the saints to their eternal home. Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Everlasting God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son to take our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross. Forgive us our sins for his sake. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection.

(Silence for Private Confession)

# ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI

#### THE WORD

ANTHEM

Without His Cross

JOSEPH MARTIN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM LESSON:

Psalm 145:10-13

The Greatness and the Goodness of God

<sup>10</sup> All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your faithful shall bless you.

- <sup>11</sup> They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power,
- <sup>12</sup> to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- <sup>13</sup> Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

The LORD is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

### GOSPEL LESSON:

John 18:28-40

#### Jesus before Pilate

<sup>28</sup> Then they took Jesus from Caiaphas to Pilate's headquarters. It was early in the morning. They themselves did not enter the headquarters, so as to avoid ritual defilement and to be able to eat the Passover. <sup>29</sup> So Pilate went out to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" <sup>30</sup> They answered, "If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to

you." <sup>31</sup> Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law." The Jews replied, "We are not permitted to put anyone to death." <sup>32</sup> (This was to fulfill what Jesus had said when he indicated the kind of death he was to die.)

<sup>33</sup> Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" <sup>34</sup> Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" <sup>35</sup> Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" <sup>36</sup> Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." <sup>37</sup> Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." <sup>38</sup> Pilate asked him, "What is truth?"

### Jesus Sentenced to Death

After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again and told them, "I find no case against him. <sup>39</sup> But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover. Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" <sup>40</sup> They shouted in reply, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a bandit.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

SERMON

"Jesus and Pilate"

Rev. Bowdler

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 264

At the Name of Jesus

**KING'S WESTON** 

1 At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, every tongue confess him King of glory now; 'tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

2 Humbled for a season to receive a name from the lips of sinners unto whom he came, faithfully he bore it spotless to the last, brought it back victorious, when from death he passed; 3 Bore it up triumphant, with its human light, through all ranks of creatures, to the central height, to the throne of Godhead, to the Father's breast, filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.

4 Christians, this Lord Jesus shall return again, with his Father's glory o'er the earth to reign; for all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow, and our hearts confess him King of glory now.

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 369 Blessing and Honor of 1 Blessing and honor and glory and power, wisdom and riches and strength evermore, be to the Lamb who our battle has won, whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne.

2 Let all the heavens sound forth Jesus' name; let all the earth sing his glory and fame. Ocean and mountain, stream, forest, and flower echo these praises and tell of God's power.

3 Ever ascending the song and the joy, ever descending the love from on high; blessing and honor and glory and praise: this is the theme of the hymns that we raise.

4 Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb; take we the robe and the harp and the palm; sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain, dying in weakness but rising to reign.

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

O QUANTA QUALIA

### PRAYER & CARE CONCERNS

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

**Members:** Nancy Bailey, **Tena Becker**, Nora Brunson, Joy Clemmer, Vance Clemmer, Donnie Cole, Hope Conerly, Lisa Davis, George Forkin, Noel Guthrie, Hugh Hogue, Jeanne Hulsman, **Jim Jackson**, Vicki Jensen, **Malcolm & Joy Lightsey**, Marcia Magee, Josie Moore, Pat Ray, Marian Sessums, Paul & Crea Shelton, Betty Simmons, Stephanie Smith, Susan Sumrall, Kathy Van Tassell, Linda Walker, **Myra Wheaton**, Pat Worley

Family & Friends: Doug Baxter (George Forkin's son-in-law), Terry Black (friend of Bob & Diane Hall), Kathy Miller Evans (Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller's sister), Margaret Ann Forester, Alice Hunt (Josie Moore's sister), Jeannie Jenkins (Bill Dillon's daughter), Greg Koziel, Ben & Whitney Lightsey (Malcolm & Joy's grandson), Joe Martin, Taaji Moore (Josie Moore's son), Grace & Amos O'Gwynn, Darla Ray, Phillip Russell (friend of Barney McCann), Sara Schobesberger (Lisa & Werner's daughter), Julia Winham (Roxie's mother), Richie Yerby (friend of Mark & Nancy Bailey)

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 Videographer this week: Audie Dodson Videographer next week: Audie Dodson

# **USHERS THIS MONTH**

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

# **CHURCH CALENDAR**

SUNDAY, March 27, Fourth Sunday in Lent Feed My Sheep 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. - Session Meeting, Heritage Room **MONDAY**, March 28 9:30 a.m. – Explorers Bible Study, Adult Library 9:30 a.m. – Jackson Quilters, Fellowship Hall 11:00 a.m. - Congregational Care Committee, Adult Library (hybrid meeting) 5:30 p.m. – Explorers Bible Study, Heritage Room WEDNESDAY, March 30 9:00 a.m. – Society of St. Andrew, Fellowship Hall 10:30 a.m. - Staff Meeting 12:00 p.m. – Lenten Lunch, Heritage Room 1:00 p.m. – The Chosen, Heritage Room (hybrid) 5:30 p.m. - The Chosen, via GoToMeeting **THURSDAY**, March 31 7:30 a.m. – Prayer for Jackson, Highland Village 11:00 a.m. – Devotion, via GoToMeeting FRIDAY, April 1 7:30 a.m. – First Friday Free Coffee SUNDAY, April 3, Fifth Sunday in Lent 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. – PWCT Meeting, Heritage Room

**EASTER FLOWER FUND:** If you would like to remember someone in a special way by making a donation to the Easter Flower Fund, please fill out the form below and place in the offering plate along with your check marked "Easter Flowers" or mail to the church office. All donations received before Monday, April 11 will be listed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.

In memory of

In honor of

Given by



# 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.

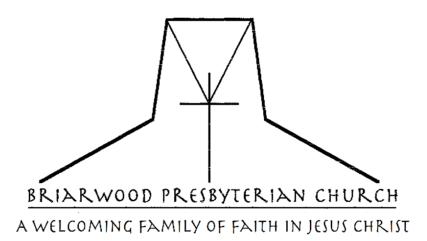
**FRIDAY FREE COFFEE:** There are two more Fridays in our extended-for-Lent First Friday Free Coffee mission of community hospitality. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please contact Joanne White for more information.

**FEED MY SHEEP SUNDAY:** Today is Feed My Sheep Sunday (formerly 2¢-A-Meal). Please place your offering in the pots near the offering plates at the exits to the Sanctuary.

**EASTER CANDY:** The Commitment Committee is seeking donations of wrapped candy or money to purchase candy for the upcoming Community Easter Egg Hunt. Candy donations may be dropped off in the church office, and cash or check donations may be placed in the offering plate (noted for the Easter Egg Hunt) or in the church office.

# LENTEN AND EASTER SCHEDULE:

Fridays, April 1 and 8 at 7:30 a.m. - Free Friday Coffee Wednesdays, March 30 and April 6 at 12:00 p.m. - Lenten Luncheons and Devotion Sunday, April 10 at 10:25 a.m. - Palm Sunday Thursday, April 14 at 3:00 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Service and Communion Saturday, April 16 at 11:00 a.m. - Community Easter Egg Hunt Sunday, April 17 at 6:30 a.m. - Easter Sunrise Service Sunday, April 17 at 10:25 a.m. Easter Sunday Service



Briarwood Presbyterian Church 620 Briarwood Drive Jackson, MS 39211 601.956.4553

briarwoodchurch620@gmail.com www.briarwoodpres.org

Follow us on facebook: @briarwoodpres