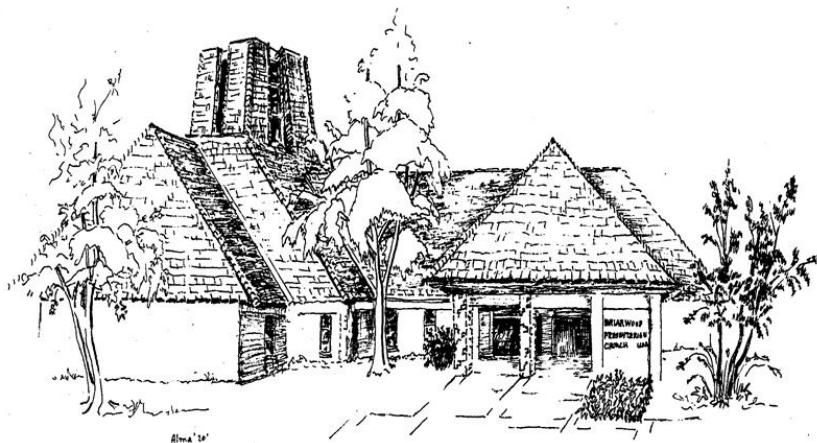


**Briarwood Presbyterian Church
Morning Worship 10:25 a.m.
March 6, 2022
Liturgical Color: Purple
First Sunday in Lent**



*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

Communion

ROBERT THYGERSON

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING PRAYER

O God, the fountain of life, to a humanity parched with thirst you offer the living water of grace which springs up from the rock, our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant your people the gift of your Spirit, that we may learn to profess our faith with courage and announce with joy the wonder of your love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, on God, forever and ever. Amen.

*HYMN 35 *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN

*1 Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear,*

*now to his temple draw near;
join me in glad adoration!*

*2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen
how thy desires e'er have been
granted in what he ordaineth?*

*3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen
sound from his people again;
gladly for aye we adore him.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Silence for Private Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

THE WORD

ANTHEM *Behold the Lamb (The Communion Hymn)* arr LARSON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM LESSON:

Psalm 104:27-30

God the Creator and Provider

- ²⁷ These all look to you
to give them their food in due season;
²⁸ when you give to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.
²⁹ When you hide your face, they are dismayed;
when you take away their breath, they die
and return to their dust.
³⁰ When you send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the ground.

GOSPEL LESSON:

John 11:1-44

The Death of Lazarus

¹¹ Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ² Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. ³ So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." ⁴ But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." ⁵ Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, ⁶ after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

⁷ Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." ⁸ The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" ⁹ Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. ¹⁰ But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." ¹¹ After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus

has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.”¹² The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.”¹³ Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep.¹⁴ Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus is dead.¹⁵ For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.”¹⁶ Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

Jesus the Resurrection and the Life

¹⁷ When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days.¹⁸ Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away,¹⁹ and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother.²⁰ When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home.²¹ Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.²² But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.”²³ Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.”²⁴ Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.”²⁵ Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live,²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?”²⁷ She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

Jesus Weeps

²⁸ When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.”²⁹ And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him.³⁰ Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him.³¹ The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to

the tomb to weep there. ³² When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴ He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” ³⁵ Jesus began to weep. ³⁶ So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” ³⁷ But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Jesus Raises Lazarus to Life

³⁸ Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹ Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” ⁴⁰ Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” ⁴¹ So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” ⁴³ When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

SERMON

“Jesus Raises Lazarus”

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 494

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

QUEBEC

*1 Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts,
thou fount of life, thou light of all,
from the best bliss that earth imparts
we turn, unfilled, to heed thy call.*

*2 Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood;
thou savest those that on thee call;
to them that seek thee thou art good,
to them that find thee, all in all.*

*3 We taste thee, O thou living bread,
and long to feast upon thee still;
we drink of thee, the fountainhead,
and thirst our souls from thee to fill.*

*4 Our restless spirits yearn for thee,
where'er our changeful lot is cast,*

*glad when thy gracious smile we see,
blest when our faith can hold thee fast.*

*5 O Jesus, ever with us stay;
make all our moments calm and bright.
O chase the night of sin away;
shed o'er the world thy holy light.*

ANNOUNCEMENT OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING PRAYER

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE SENDING

*HYMN 246

Christ Is Alive!

TRURO

1 *Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.*

2 *Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
but saving, healing, here and now,
and touching every place and time.*

3 *In every insult, rift, and war
where color, scorn, or wealth divide,
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,
and lives, where even hope has died.*

4 *Women and men, in age and youth,
can feel the Spirit, hear the call,
and find the way, the life, the truth,
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.*

5 *Christ is alive, and comes to bring
good news to this and every age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

How Blessed This Day!

H. GOTZE

PRAYER & CARE CONCERNS

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

Members: Nora Brunson, Joy Clemmer, Vance Clemmer, Donnie Cole, Hope Conerly, Lisa Davis, **George Forkin**, Noel Guthrie, Hugh Hogue, Jeanne Hulsman, **Jim Jackson**, Vicki Jensen, **Amy Lenoir & Chalise O'Quinn**, Marcia Magee, Pat Ray, Marian Sessums, Paul & Crea Shelton, Betty Simmons, Susan Sumrall, Kathy Van Tassell, **Linda Walker**, Myra Wheaton, Pat Worley

Family & Friends: 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), Dennis Lightsey (Malcolm's brother), 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: Warren Dorsey & Hugh Hogue

Elders next week: Anne Dreher & Tracee Thompson

Videographer this week: Mark Bailey

Videographer next week: Dan Duggan

USHERS THIS MONTH

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

CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY, March 6, *First Sunday in Lent, Communion*

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

MONDAY, March 7

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, March 8

10:00 a.m. – Lydia Circle, Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, March 9

10:30 a.m. – Staff Meeting

12:00 p.m. – Lenten Lunch, Fellowship Hall

1:00 p.m. – The Chosen, Heritage Room (hybrid)

5:30 p.m. – The Chosen, Heritage Room (hybrid)

THURSDAY, March 10

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

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

1:30 p.m. – Rachel Circle, Audie Dodson's house

FRIDAY, March 11

7:30 a.m. – Friday Free Coffee

SUNDAY, March 13, *Second 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. – 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.

FAMILY DIRECTORY: Copies of the Winter 2022 Family Directory are available at each entrance to the Sanctuary.

LENTEN LUNCHESES: Join us each Wednesday in Lent at noon for a Lenten Lunch. We will share a simple lunch of soup and bread as well as a brief devotion. Join us as we begin this Wednesday!

FRIDAY FREE COFFEE: We are extending our First Friday Free Coffee mission of community hospitality to each Friday during Lent beginning at 7:30 a.m. We are seeking volunteers interested in helping with this ministry. Please contact Joanne White for more information.

SPRING FORWARD NEXT WEEK: Daylight Saving Time begins next Sunday, March 13. Don't forget to spring forward!

LENTEN AND EASTER SCHEDULE:

Fridays, March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1 and 8 at 7:30 a.m. - Free Friday Coffee

Wednesdays, March 9, 16, 23, 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

SESSION

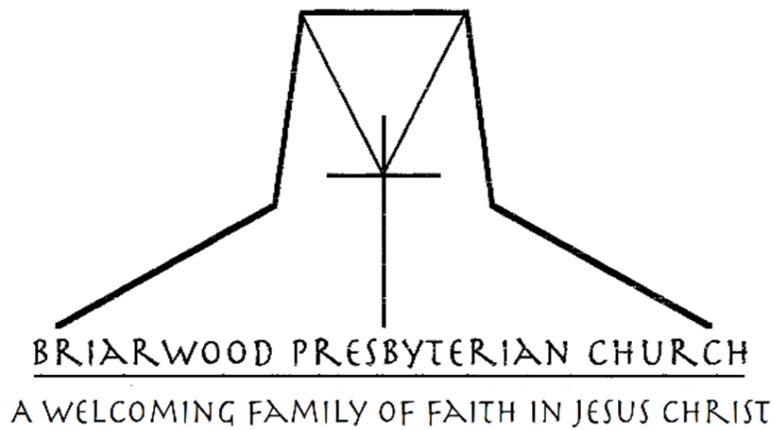
Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024
Dan Duggan	Susan Bostwick	Warren Dorsey
Corinne Fox	Joy Lightsey	Anne Dreher
David French	Tracee Thompson	Jim Jackson
Hugh Hogue	Joanne White	Doris Schneider

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Elder Dan Duggan	Moderator of the Presbytery of Mississippi
Elder Bill Cook	Advisor to the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Mississippi for Trustees
Elder Myra Cook	Member, Presbytery of Mississippi Commission on Ministry
Elder Suzan Dorsey	Member, Presbytery of Mississippi Mission Committee
Elder Susan Sumrall	Commissioned as the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Mississippi and Moderator of the Synod of Living Waters
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