THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
THE FOURTH DAY of MARCH, 2018
THE GATHERING

Carillon Prelude
Sally Westmoreland

Opening Voluntary
Choral No. 1 in E Major
César Franck
(1822-1890)

The Greeting
We welcome each of you to this service! Please register your attendance on the Ritual of Christian Fellowship. Let us know if you are new, would like to become a member or are interested in more information about Peachtree Road. We pray that this time together will be a blessing in your life.

† At the sound of the bells, please prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

The Call to Worship from Psalm 119:33-36

Minister: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
People: And also with you.

Minister: Teach me, O Lord, to follow your decrees; then I will keep them to the end.
People: Give me understanding, and I will keep your law and obey it with all my heart.

Minister: Direct me in the path of your commands, for there I find delight.
People: Turn my heart toward your word and not towards selfish gain.

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

At the Procession,*
Hymn 384
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
Beecher

The Invitation*
Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.
Confession and Pardon*

Let us confess our sins before God.

Almighty God, we confess that we are often swept up in the tide of our generation. We have failed in our calling to be your holy people, a people set apart for your divine purpose. We live more in apathy born of fatalism than in passion born of hope. We are moved more by private ambition than by social justice. We dream more of privilege and benefits than of service and sacrifice. We try to speak in your name without relinquishing your glories, without nourishing our souls, without relying wholly on your grace. Help us to make room in our hearts and lives for you. Forgive us, revive us, and reshape us in your image.

Cantor: Let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Minister: For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

Ritual of Christian Fellowship*

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† The people are seated.

Ministry of Music

Amazing grace

American folk tune

arr. Brian L. Hanson

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear; and grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed! Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come. 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home! When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing amazing grace than when we first begun.

Doxology Youth Chorale; Patricia Stone, violin

Sacrament of Christian Baptism

Response: With God’s help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ, that this child, (these children), surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith and confirmed, and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn

Tune: Stuttgart

Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit’s sign; with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.

Reception of New Members

Ministry Moment

Angie Howell, Hopeworks Volunteer

Concerns and Celebrations of the Congregation

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Lesson

Exodus 20:1-3, 8 & 12-17

† following the reading

Minister

The Word of God for the people of God.

People

Thanks be to God!
Sermon  

Compassion: Stay in Bounds!

At the Offertory,

† An offering is collected to support the work of Peachtree Road United Methodist Church sharing God's love with the world.

Prayer

Anthem  

Never weather beaten sail  

C. Hubert H. Parry  

(1848-1918)

Never weather beaten sail more willing bent to shore, never tired pilgrim's limbs affected slumber more, than my weared sprite now longs to fly out of my troubled breast: O come quickly, sweetest Lord and take my soul to rest! Ever blooming are the joys of Heaven's high paradise, cold age deafs not there our ears nor vapour dims our eyes: Glory there the sun outshines; whose beams the blessed only see: O come quickly, glorious Lord, and raise my sprite to Thee!

Thomas Campion

The Chancel Choir

At the Presentation,*

Hymn 95  

Tune: Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. In the wilderness you gave Moses your commandments that those who were wandering might become your people. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus*
Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ, who cleansed the Temple of unrighteous activities and foretold his resurrection from the dead. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: “Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: “Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. For as by one man sin came into the world by one man sin has been conquered. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

† The people are seated.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever, Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread
The Agnus Dei

RESPONSE TO THE WORD
Invitation to Christian Discipleship

At the Administration, Choir Motet:

There is an old belief
C. Hubert H. Parry
John Gibson Lockhart

There is an old belief that on some solemn shore, beyond the sphere of grief dear friends shall meet once more. Beyond the sphere of time and sin and fate's control, serene in changeless prime of body and of soul. That creed I fain would keep that hope I'll ne'er forgo eternal be the sleep if not to waken so.

The Chamber Singers

Congregational Hymns, 618 534
Let Us Break Bread Together Be Still, My Soul Afro-American Spiritual Finlandia

Prayer of Dedication:
Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Inspire us always to stand firm in our faith. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD
Invitation to Christian Discipleship

At the Invitation,* Hymn 297 Beneath the Cross of Jesus St. Christopher

SENDING FORTH
Benediction*

Peace*
Minister The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.
Response

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died, my richest gain
I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Choir and Congregation

Closing Voluntary

Praeludium in E minor, BWV 548b
(Lord God Holy Ghost)

J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)

* Stand as you are able. ** Ushers will seat all those who are waiting.

Please turn off all mobile and electronic devices while in the Sanctuary.

Hearing devices and large print hymnals are available in the Narthex from any member of our usher team.

Following the service, Stephen Ministers are available in the chapel for prayer and support.

Please Welcome to our Church Community These Children Being Baptized Today:
Emerson Dean Buch, born August 2, 2017, daughter of Cassie and Peter Buch; Jackson Logan Hand and Grifford Frederick Hand, born June 6, 2017, sons of Kelly and Fred Hand; Sydney Bennett Potter, born March 8, 2017, daughter of Claire and Rick Potter; Noah James Spradley, born October 18, 2017, son of Jennifer and Ryan Spradley; and Annie Henson Thomas, born August 22, 2017, daughter of Georgia and Billy Thomas.

The Flowers on the Altar are Given to the Glory of God

In Loving Memory of:  Barbara Stephens by her husband, Richard Stephens, and children, Ricky Stephens and Stacey S. Massey, and grandchildren.

In Loving Memory of:  W. Jesse Spencer and Walter J. Spencer, Jr. by Mrs. W. Jesse Spencer and Beth, John, Jack and Bridges Spencer.

In Loving Memory of:  Julien B. Roddenbery, Jr. by Tina, Hansell, Megan and Julien Roddenbery.

In Loving Memory of:  Dorothy Posey by her daughter Felicia P. Kitts and her grandchildren Nathan and Anna and Grant Kitts.

Altar Flowers: If you would like to make a donation in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Linda Schutte at 770.329.2075.

Preaching:  Rev. Carolyn Stephens, Associate Minister
Exodus 20:1-3, 8 & 12-17

Liturgists:  Rev. Leslie Lyons Watkins, Associate Minister, Rev. Julie Schendel, Associate Minister, Geoff Beakley, Student Minister, Rev. Lindsay Geist, Deacon

Music:  David R. White, Interim Choirmaster, Nicole Marane, Associate Director of Music and Associate Organist, Jack Mitchener, Artist in Residence/Assistant Organist, Kathy Fletcher, Director of Youth and Children’s Music, Robin Hensley, Music Associate, Doxology Youth Chorale, The Chancel Choir

The Road
Heritage Hall, 11:15 am
Rev. Julie Schendel, Associate Minister
Amy Little, Worship Leader

Sundays @ 5
Moore Chapel, 5:00 pm
Rev. Julie Schendel, Associate Minister
Elizabeth Byrd, Worship Leader

For information on upcoming worship services please visit www.prumc.org.
Your PRUMC Flower Guild!

The 2018 Flower Guild would like to thank our many supporters, a list of whom can be found at prumc.org/guilds. Your donations help furnish the beautiful flowers on the Sanctuary altar and in the Narthex each week and during special liturgical seasons like Advent and Lent, as well as, support the planting and upkeep of our cutting garden located on the church campus. Our mission is to enhance worship at PRUMC for the glory of God. Anyone interested in becoming a member of our Guild is always welcome.

Compassion Around the World

“Each one should use whatever gifts he or she has received to serve others faithfully, administering God’s grace in its various forms.” – 1 Peter 4:10

Last week a PRUMC mission team of 15 women showed God’s grace to widows, deaf children, the sick in the hospital, and families in desperate situations while in Nicaragua. The team recognized God’s call and answered by giving their time, talents and most importantly their love to the people of Los Rios. They washed the feet of the widows, taught the children that “Jesus is your Super Hero” and gave hope to families by delivering food to their homes. Thank you for taking the heart of Peachtree Road to Nicaragua.
**WORSHIP**

**Holy Week Services**

**Palm Sunday Festival Worship**
Sunday, March 25, 2018, Sanctuary
8:45 & 11:15 am Festival Worship
9:45 -10:30 am Meet Jerusalem the Donkey
11 am - 1 pm Congregational Luncheon
Festival worship will feature an outdoor procession, guest musicians and special joining day. Between services, enjoy a chance to meet our Palm Sunday donkey on the front lawn.

**Holy Week Worship Services**
March 26 - March 29, 12:05 pm, Moore Chapel
Meaningful services led by PRUMC clergy. Lunch in Grace Hall available after worship.

**Maundy Thursday Choral Eucharist**
Thursday, March 29, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary
Remember the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper at this special communion service. Chancel Choir and Chamber Singers present selections from Handel and Lotti. Rev. Carolyn Stephens preaching.

**Good Friday Worship Service**
Friday, March 30, 12:00 pm, Christ the King
2699 Peachtree Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30305
Gather together with Buckhead’s congregations to honor Jesus’ sacrifice at this community-wide worship service. Mark Wilbanks of Wieuca Road Baptist preaching.

**Music & Arts**

**Passion of the Christ:**
The Musical Stations of the Cross
Sunday, March 18, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary
Take this spiritual Journey with us and find the sacred in Gregorian chant, organ improvisation, the spoken word and candlelight. $15 suggested donation/$5 suggested for students.

**Three Choirs Festival**
Thursday, April 5, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary
Powerhouse performances by Georgia State Singers, University of Georgia Hodgson Singers and Emory University Concert Choir with a combined finale of Grace Before Sleep. $15/$5 donations.

**SERVE**

**Global Missions**

**The Dogwood Gift Shop Spring Opening**
Sunday, March 11, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm
Come shop our exciting new inventory! All proceeds benefit PRUMC global missions.

**Winston Want Trunk Show**
Sunday, March 18, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm, Dogwood
Winston Want is a local artist whose work is marked by bold colors, texture, and layers. Don't miss a chance to select an original for your home!

**Rongai, Kenya Water Filter Mission**
On March 15, a PRUMC mission team of 28 will begin the distribution of 12,000 UZima water filters to the people of Rongai. Over 72,000 people will receive clean, safe water to drink for the first time.

**UMVIM Disaster Relief trip to Puerto Rico**
March 24 - 31, 2018
In partnership with Canterbury UMC (AL), PRUMC will head to Puerto Rico to do clean up and light construction work. $1000 for lodging and flight. For more information or to join the team, contact Anne French at annef@prumc.org.

**Local Outreach**

**The Great Day of Service**
Saturday, March 24, PRUMC & Atlanta
Join us in giving back to the Atlanta community on our congregation-wide service day! Projects for all ages, abilities and time commitments. BBQ party afterwards. Details and registration at our tables each Sunday and at www.prumc.org/greatday.

**Spring Habitat Build**
Saturdays, Now - Apr 14, 7:30 am-3:30 pm
House leaders guide volunteers of all skill levels to build a home in 8 Saturdays. For details and to volunteer, visit www.prumc.org/habitat.

**Adult Age Books Needed**
Please donate books of all genres to be included in the new Wesley Woods library - to be stocked on the Great Day of Service! Drop off at Rollins front desk or contact Beth Spencer at beths@prumc.org.
Forums

The Hoffmann Memorial Lecture Series presents *Repentance as the Church’s Public Witness*

**Sunday, March 11, 5:30 pm**
- Gathering
- Dinner
- **6:45 pm** Dr. Jennifer McBride, speaker

During the season of Lent we are called to repent from our sinful ways and reflect upon our commitment to God. Join Dr. Jennifer McBride, Associate Dean at McCormick Theological Seminar, as she shares the Church's role in offering hope and redemption. Register at prumc.org/events.

*In loving memory of Dr. Manfred Hoffmann.*

**LEARN**

**Young Adults**

**Atlanta United Soccer Game**  
**Sunday, March 11, 3:00 pm**, Mercedes Benz Stadium  
Join us as we watch Atlanta United take on DC United! We’ll meet at PRUMC at 3:00 pm to carpool or MARTA together. Tickets are $10, register at prumc.org/events.

**Brews and Bible**  
**Sunday, March 18, Ann Lassiter’s**  
Join us for pizza, local brews, sweet tea and Bible study with Leslie Watkins. RSVP at prumc.org/events.

**Young Adult Social**  
**Thursday, March 22, 5:30 pm**, Tin Lizzy’s Buckhead  
Catch up with your friends during the work week. Appetizers and nibbles provided. Contact Lindsey Rogers at lindseyyoungrogers@gmail.com.

**CONNECT**

**If You Are New**

**Palm Sunday Special Joining Day**  
**March 25, 8:45 & 11:15 am, Sanctuary**  
Become a part of the Peachtree Road family by joining with other new members as part of our Palm Sunday Special Joining Day. Contact Mimi Brunson at 404.240.8221 or mimib@prumc.org.

**Children & Families**

**Kid’s Worship**  
**Sunday, March 18, 11:15 am, The Loft**  
1st – 5th graders worship with energy and excitement in a once-a-month experience filled with cool music, a relevant message, and friends!

**Easter Egg Hunt**  
**Saturday, March 31, 10:00 am, The Hill’s Home**  
Egg hunts, pony rides, inflatable slides and more! Age-appropriate hunts begin at 10:30 am. To volunteer, contact Martha Christopher at 404.240.8243 or marthac@prumc.org.

**Men**

**Father/Child Camping Trip**  
**April 21- April 22, Camp Glisson, Dahlonega**  
Fathers, grandpas and kids are all invited to enjoy a great weekend of fellowship in the mountains! Hikes, campfires, games, worship and more! $35 per person includes meals and fees. Bring your gear or borrow some of ours. Details and sign up at prumc.org/events.

**Adults**

**Governor’s Mansion Tour and Houston’s**  
**Tuesday, March 20, 10:00 am departure**  
Join us to tour the governor’s mansion and then enjoy (a self-pay) lunch at Houston’s, Northside Drive. RSVP to Julie Wright at 404.240.8203 or juliew@prumc.org.

**Wednesday Seasoned Saints**  
**12:00 pm Lunch, 1:00 pm Program*, C104**  
* Movies begin at 12:30 pm. On Bingo days, please bring a $5 wrapped gift/prize. Contact Julie Wright at 404.240.8203 or juliew@prumc.org.

**Mar 7** Luck o’the Irish Bingo  
**Mar 14** Ron Greer: The Path of Compassion  
**Mar 21** Service Project  
**Mar 28** Movie: “So Help Us God”

**Food & Fellowship**

**Pancake Breakfast**  
**Sunday, March 18, 9:30 – 11:00 am, Grace Hall**  
Come enjoy a hot stack of pancakes served with maple syrup or berry compote, and sausage or bacon. $5/adults, $3 children under 10. Gluten-free options available on this day.

**Palm Sunday Congregational Luncheon**  
**Sunday, March 25, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Grace Hall**  
Enjoy a springtime luncheon with your church family as we celebrate Palm Sunday together. Ham, BBQ chicken, mac & cheese, scalloped potatoes, roasted broccoli, collard greens, lemon-garlic green beans and dessert. Complimentary (first come, first-served). We hope you will be a part!
Welcome!

Welcome to Peachtree Road United Methodist
Thank you for worshiping with us today! We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in our worship, program and service life here at Peachtree Road. Our hope is to make a warm, caring community that you can call home. To keep up with PRUMC events, services and more we invite you to visit us at www.prumc.org or download the PRUMC App on your mobile device.

Welcome New Members!
A warm Peachtree Road welcome to all those who recently joined our church family. Photos can be found in our online gallery at prumc.org/photos or on the PRUMC App.

Joining Peachtree Road
New Members are welcomed into the congregation during our Sunday morning worship services at 8:45 or 11:15 am. You may transfer from another Methodist church, transfer from another denomination or join for the first time on Profession of Faith. For more information please contact Mimi Brunson at 404.240.8221 or mimib@prumc.org.

Worship Services

Traditional Worship  |  8:45 & 11:15 am, Sanctuary
Our sanctuary worship services follow a traditional liturgy, featuring familiar hymns and prayers. Rev. Bill Britt delivers the message and worshipers are surrounded by the warmth of our congregation.

Holy Communion  |  9:00 am, Moore Chapel
In this intimate service celebrating the gift of the Eucharist, worship is led by members of the PRUMC clergy, organist Jack Mitchener and guest musicians.

New! The Road  |  11:15 am, Heritage Hall
Rev. Julie Schendel, Rev. Carolyn Stephens and the PRUMC Worship Band provide a current and comfortable alternative to sanctuary worship. Fresh music, relevant message, and an engaging atmosphere make The Road approachable no matter where you are on your journey.

Sundays @ 5  |  5:00 pm, Moore Chapel
Evening worship is a great option if your weekend fills up before you know it. Refocus and recenter before Monday arrives. Come as you are and make a great beginning to a new week.

Calendar

Sunday, March 11
Daylight Savings Begins
Summer Camp Registration Begins
9:30 am  Dogwood Shop Open
5:30 pm  Hoffmann Lecture & Dinner

Monday, March 12
6:30 pm  Admin Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 14
5:00 pm  St. Patrick’s Day Dinner
March 15 - 25  Kenya Adult Mission Trip & Water Filter Distribution

Sunday, March 18
9:30 am  Winston Wiant Trunk Show
9:30 am  Pancake Breakfast
11:15 am  Kid’s Worship (1st - 5th)
5:00 pm  UMKF
7:00 pm  Musical Stations of the Cross

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10:00 am  Governor’s Mansion Tour

Saturday, March 24
8:00 am  The Great Day of Service

Palm Sunday, March 25
8:45 & 11:15 am  Festival Worship & Joining
9:45 - 10:30 am  Meet Jerusalem the Donkey
11:00 am  Congregational Luncheon

Holy Week  |  March 26 - March 29
12:05 pm  Service in Chapel
Mon / Rev. Leslie Watkins
Tue / Rev. Darren Hensley
Wed / Rev. Julie Wright
Thu / Geoff Beakley
12:35 pm  Lunch after each service

Maundy Thursday, March 29
12:00 am  Prayer Vigil begins
7:00 pm  Evening Worship Service

Good Friday, March 30
12:00 pm  Community Worship Service
12:00 pm  Offices Closing Early

Saturday, March 31
10:00 am  Easter Egg Hunt at the Hill’s

Easter Sunday, April 1
6:30 am  Sunrise Service
8:15 am  Easter Festival Worship
9:45 am  Easter Festival Worship
11:15 am  Easter Festival Worship