THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
THE EIGHTEENTH DAY of MARCH, 2018
THE GATHERING

Carillon Prelude

Sally Westmoreland

Opening Voluntary (8:45 am)  Adagio, Choral No. 3 in A minor  César Franck

(1822-1890)

Choral Prelude (11:15 am)  Certainly Lord  Traditional Spiritual

I Called on the One  Kelly Gissendaner

Even If  Mercy Me

I Know I’ve Been Changed  Traditional Spiritual

The “Voices of Hope” Women’s Choir

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

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

People: And also with you.

Minister: I will sing of your steadfast love forever, O Lord.

People: I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

Minister: I will declare that your love stands firm forever.

People: Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you. Blessed are they who have learned to acclaim you and blessed are they who walk in the light of your presence.

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

At the Procession,*

Hymn 327  Crown Him With Many Crowns  Diademeta

Prayer of Confession*

Minister: Let us confess our sins to God.

Minister and People: Most merciful God, we your church confess that often our spirit has not been that of Christ. Where we have failed to love one another as he loves us, where we have pledged loyalty to him with our lips and then betrayed, deserted, or denied him, forgive us, we pray; and by your Spirit make us faithful in every time of trial. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
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.

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

The Response*

Hymn 482  
Lord, Have Mercy  
Kriewald Kyrie

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

† Each section is first sung by the cantor, then repeated by the choir and congregation.

Ritual of Christian Fellowship*

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† The people are seated.

Ministry of Music (11:15 am)  
Perfect praise  
Brenda Moore  
Twentieth Century

Oh Lord How excellent! How excellent is Thy name. There is none like you. In all the earth, Jesus excellent is Thy name. Every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that He is Lord. Jesus excellent is Thy name.

Voices of Hope Choir

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

Children’s Moments with the Minister

Hymn 147  
All Things Bright and Beautiful  
Royal Oak

(stanza one)

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all. Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, God made their glowing colors, and made their tiny wings. Refrain

Ministry Moment  
Keva Kase, Executive Director of BCM

Concerns and Celebrations of the Congregation

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer
PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

At the Offertory,* † An offering is collected to support the work of Peachtree Road United Methodist Church sharing God’s love with the world.

Hymn 534* Be Still My Soul Finlandia
Prayer*
Anthem Greater love hath no man John Ireland (1879-1962)
selected Scripture
Many waters cannot quench Love, neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, who should live unto righteousness. Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified, in the Name of the Lord Jesus; you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, that ye should show forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

The Chancel Choir
Mary Allison Hamby, soprano, William Green, tenor

At the Presentation*
Hymn 95 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 Lesson Jeremiah: 31:31-34 † following the reading
Minister: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon Compassion: God’s Invitation and Your Response

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

At the Invitation, Hymn 133* Leaning on the Everlasting Arms Showalter

SENDING FORTH

Benediction*

Peace* Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you.
Preaching: Rev. Bill Britt, Senior Minister
Jeremiah: 31:31-34

Liturgists: Rev. Julie Schendel, Associate Pastor, Rev. Leslie Lyons Watkins, Associate Minister, Geoff Beakley, Student Minister, Chris Mucha, Director of Youth and Their Families

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**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**

*Fugue in B minor, BWV 544*

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:
Anna Ruby Costlow, born November 6, 2017, daughter of Laura and Stephen Costlow; Kathryn Randall Lowery and Chelsea Grace Lowery, born June 29, 2017, daughters of Ashley and Jake Lowery; and Mary Watson Upshaw, born August 16, 2017, daughter of Tori and Beau Upshaw.

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

In Loving Memory of: Tom Timlin by Martha, Susuan and Michael, Jill and Stephen, and John.

In Loving Memory of: Beverly Johnson Pritchard by her family.

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.

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**Holy Communion**
Moore Chapel, 9:00 am
Rev. Julie Wright, Associate Minister
Jack Mitchener, Artist in Residence/Assistant Organist

**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
Robin Hensley, Worship Leader

For information on upcoming worship services please visit www.prumc.org.
Announcements  .  March 18, 2018
Complete details at www.prumc.org. Join us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.
Sign up to receive our weekly E.newsletter by using the red pads in your row.

TODAY

Pancake Breakfast
Today, 9:30 – 11:00 am, Grace Hall
Pancakes, sausage, bacon, syrup & compote.

Winston Wiant Trunk Show / Dogwood Shop
Today, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm, Lower Level Sanctuary
Winston Wiant 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! Come shop our exciting new spring inventory. All proceeds benefit PRUMC global missions.

Voices of Hope Choir
Today, 11:00 am, Sanctuary
Please join us in warmly welcoming the Voices of Hope Choir from the Lee Arrendale State prison. Chaplain Susan Bishop will direct this special group of women who find grace through song. The choir will present musical selections prior to the 11:15 am service, and sing one anthem during worship.

Kid’s Worship
Today, 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!

Fill the Pantry for BCM
Help stock BCM’s food pantry for the working poor of Atlanta. Pick up a bag and list from volunteers after worship, or go to the Serve menu of prumc.org to download a pdf. Bring grocery items to bins located in Grace Hall and the Rollins reception area.

Young Adults Brews and Bible
Today, 6:00 pm, Ann Lassiter’s
Join us for pizza, brews, sweet tea and Bible study with Leslie Watkins. RSVP at prumc.org/events.

Passion of the Christ: The Musical Stations of the Cross
Today, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary
This annual meditative experience is the perfect way to prepare one's heart for the coming of Holy Week and Easter. Take this spiritual journey with us and find the sacred in Gregorian chant, organ improvisation, the spoken word and candlelight. Zachary Hemenway, organ; John Lemley, readings; Schola, antiphons. $15/$5 suggested donation.

SERVE

Local Outreach

The Great Day of Service!
Saturday, March 24, PRUMC & Atlanta
Roll up your sleeves and join us in helping our community! Our congregation-wide service day is Saturday. We have projects for all ages, abilities and time commitments. Everyone is encouraged to participate as part of our Lenten practice of compassion. BBQ party afterwards! Details and registration at our tables today and at www.prumc.org/greatday.

Spring Habitat Build
Saturdays, Now - Apr 14, 7:30 am-3:30 pm
Be a part of our Habitat Build as part of our Lenten commitment to Compassion. No construction experience is necessary. Volunteers of all skill levels partner with Habitat leaders to construct a home in just 8 weekends! Sign up link at prumc.org/events.

Adult Age Books Needed
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.

Get Your Cans to Church!
Bring aluminum beverage cans (only aluminum please!) to our collection cage located in the back Blue Lot near the kitchen. For every 1 million cans collected, Novelis will donate a house to Atlanta Habitat for Humanity.

Global Missions

Rongai, Kenya Water Filter Mission
Thanks to your generosity to the PRUMC Christmas Eve Offering, over 72,000 people are now receiving clean, safe water to drink for the first time. A PRUMC mission team has begun the distribution of 12,000 UZima water filters to the people of Rongai, Kenya. Thank you!

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 an nef@prumc.org.
**WORSHIP**

**Palm Sunday**

**Palm Sunday Festival Worship**
Sunday, March 25, 8:45 & 11:15 am, Sanctuary
Festival worship will feature an outdoor procession (10:55 am), guest musicians and special joining day. Between services, enjoy a chance to meet our Palm Sunday donkey on the front lawn.

**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.

**Palm Sunday Congregational Luncheon**
Sunday, March 25, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Grace Hall
Enjoy ham, BBQ chicken, mac & cheese, roasted broccoli, strawberry-spinach salad, biscuits, and coconut cake. Complimentary (first come, first-served). We hope you will be a part!

**Holy Week**

**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.
- Mon  Rev. Leslie Watkins
- Tue  Rev. Darren Hensley
- Wed  Rev. Julie Wright
- Thu  Geoff Beakley

**Holy Week Prayer Vigil**
Maundy Thursday - Good Friday
Through great suffering, Jesus showed great love for humanity. Honor this time through intentional prayer and meditation. Together we will reflect, wait and hope. You may join the vigil at prumc.org/events.

**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. Rev. Mark Wilbanks of Wieuca Road Baptist preaching.

**Easter Day Services**
Easter Sunday, April 1, 2018

**6:30 am Sunrise Service**
Join us in the Columbarium for the Great Vigil:
- Kindling of the New Fire
- Lighting of the Paschal Candle
- Procession and First Service of the Resurrection

**8:15, 9:45 and 11:15 am Festival Worship**
Festival worship celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ, with glorious music and message! Rev. Bill Britt preaching. The Chancel Choir, Atlanta Brassworks, the Peachtree Carillon & Great Organ.

**Easter Cross of Flowers**
Join in a beautiful tradition! Bring flowers and branches to decorate our Easter Cross of Flowers on the front lawn of the church on Easter Sunday.

**New! PRUMC Lenten Offering**
Starting this year, our Lenten offering will expand to include sixteen PRUMC local outreach partners. Our partners will rely on your support in a new way—through symbolic, sacrificial giving during Lent. Everyone is encouraged to make this a practice during this season and put something aside each week with intention, prayer and meaning.

**Music & Arts**

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

**First Annual PRUMC Youth Music Festival**
April 14 - 15, 2018
PRUMC’s Doxology Youth Choir will host Athens First UMC for a weekend of music and fellowship! Both choirs will sing a special program of anthems in worship that Sunday.

**Children's Musical: Step Right Up!**
Saturday, April 28, 6:00 pm, Harp Center
Join PRUMC’s five children’s choirs for daring feats of strength and skill - with clowns, muscle men, jugglers, tumblers, riders and more! Free admission under the Big Top. Join us for a fun evening!
CONNECT

If You Are New
Methodism 101
Sunday, April 15, 10:00 am, Hospitality Suite
If you are new to PRUMC or been here for many years this is an opportunity to learn more about Methodism, its history, and traditions. A light breakfast will be served. RSVP to Mimi Brunson at mimib@prumc.org, or 404.240.8221.

Children & Families
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.

Easter Egg Hunt
Sunday, April 22, 11:15 am, Sanctuary
All babies born to church members between March 1, 2017 and February 28, 2018 will be honored during 11:15 am worship. Afterwards, families enjoy a brunch and program in Grace Hall (11:40 am). Visit prumc.org/events to check the baby name list, and register for presentation and brunch.

Summer Camp Registration Now Open!
Registration now online at prumc.org/events for:
Mission Camp | June 4 - 6, 9:30 am - 1:00 pm
Children (completed K-5th) and their parents are blessed to serve others in the Atlanta community.
VBS | June 25 - 28, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
Children (4 yrs as of 6/1/18 - 4th grade) enjoy 4 awesome days of incredible activities! 5th grade helpers and many adult volunteers are needed.

Youth
High School Mission Trip
June 17-14, Leon, Nicaragua
Serve, build relationships, and help change the “28 de Mayo” barrio for the better! At the end of the week, we’ll tour the country. For 9th - 12th grade. $1500 - sign up at prumc.org/events.

Middle School Mission Trip
July 15-21, Copperhill, TN
Join us for an unforgettable week of hands-on mission projects, exciting music and programs, and team-building high adventure activities! $650 - sign up at prumc.org/events.

Young Adults
Young Adult Social
Thursday, March 22, 6:00 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.

Crafting for a Cause
Sunday, April 8, 5:00 pm, Harp Center Art Room
Join the Abundant Life class to make works of art that will be donated to the residents of BeLoved. $15 includes supplies and dinner. No experience necessary! Register 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. RSVP to Julie Wright at 404.240.8203 or juliew@prumc.org.

Oakland Cemetery Tour
Sunday, April 15, 10:00 am departure, $15
Self-pay lunch at Six Feet Under. 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 21 Service Project
Mar 28 Movie - “So Help Us God”
Apr 4 Spring Bingo

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.

Wednesday Morning Coffee
Wednesdays, 7:00 am, C105
A midweek gathering of men to encourage one another in the faith. Discussion is topical and no preparation is necessary. For more information, contact Geoff Beakley at geoffb@prumc.org.