THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
THE FIFTEENTH DAY OF APRIL, 2018

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THE GATHERING

Carillon Prelude

Sally Westmoreland

Opening Voluntary  

*Christ lag in todesbanden*, BWV 625  

J.S. Bach  

(1685-1750)

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 Choral Introit  

*Welcome to God’s love*  

Mark A. Miller  

(Twentieth Century)

Families of all shapes and kinds, love the only tie that binds this gathering of open minds, welcome to God’s love. Every person has a place in this holy, sacred space, earth’s entire human race, welcome! Come and feel God’s love: No proof required of your worth, a gift to you before your birth from God, who made the heavens and earth. We’ll love each other and take care of every need encountered there, within God’s heart there is room to spare.  

*Doxology*

Youth Choir  

Wesleyan Youth Choir

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

At the Procession,*  

Hymn 304  

*Easter People Raise Your Voices*  

Regent Square

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, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the Good News: 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.

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.

Concerns and Celebrations of the Congregation

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD


† following the reading:

Minister    The Gospel of the Lord.

People    Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Walking With the Risen Christ

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

*I will sing joyfully*    arr. Mary McDonald (b. 1956)

I will joyfully sing in the morning; I will joyfully sing all the day; I will sing praises to Thee in the morning, for the Lord is the strength of my day. I will lift up my eyes in the morning, for the Lord will not turn me away. I will sing of his praises, His goodness to me.

Doxology Youth Choir

Wesleyan Youth Choir

*from Psalm 59:16*
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. You have loved us as a parent that we should be called your children. We are your children now and when we put our hope in you we are purified as Christ is pure. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus*

† The people are seated.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we have received your Spirit that in the last days our sons and daughters shall prophecy and your young shall seen visions and our old will dream dreams in the name of Jesus. 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 we are your temple and your Spirit dwells within us. 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 Breaking of the Bread

The Agnus Dei

1. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

2. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.
At The Administration:

Motet:  
I Believe  
I believe in the sun, even when it’s not shining. I believe in love even when I don’t feel it. I believe in God even when God is silent.  
Anonymous Jewish poem

Catherine Sherling, soloist

Congregational Hymns,

618  Let Us Break Bread Together  
William F. Smith, 1986

310  He Lives  
Ackley

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.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

At the Invitation,*  
Hymn 644  Jesus, Joy of Our Desiring  
J.S. Bach, 1723

SENDING FORTH

Benediction*

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

Response*  
We are blessed  
Andrea Ramsey  
(Twentieth Century)

Doxology Youth Choir
Wesleyan Youth Choir

Closing Voluntary  
Allegro assai vivace, Sonata I, Op. 65  
Felix Mendelssohn  
(1809-1847)

* 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:

The Flowers on the Altar are Given to the Glory of God
In Loving Memory of: Hasson Calloway by his children and grandchildren.
In Loving Memory of: D. M. Conger, Jr. by Ron. Middleton.
In Loving Memory of: Charles (Red) Scott by his wife, Kathy Scott.
In Celebration of the Wedding of: Stacy Shockley and Parker Cianciola.

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. Bill Britt, Senior Minister

Liturgists: Rev. Carolyn Stephens, Associate Minister, Rev. Julie Wright, Associate Minister, Rev. Leslie Lyons Watkins, Associate Minister, Rev. Jamie Jenkins, Minister of Visitation

Music: Scott H. Atchison, Director of Music and Organist, Kathy Fletcher, Director of Youth and Children's Music, Doxology Youth Choir
Janis Maxwell, Director of Youth Music Ministry, Ksenia Kurenysheva, accompanist, Wesleyan Youth Choir, Athens First United Methodist Church

For information on upcoming worship services please visit www.prumc.org.
Today

Youth Music Festival
PRUMC’s Doxology Youth Choir hosts Wesleyan Youth Choir UMC for a weekend of music and fellowship. Both choirs will sing a special program of anthems in worship today.

Kingdom Journey Information Meeting
Today, 9:00 am, Confirmation Room
Parents and students (rising high school freshman and sophomores) are invited to join us on our next transformational journey through the Bible culminating in a trip to the Holy Land the summer of 2020.

Pancake Breakfast
Today, 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. Gluten-free options available on this day.

Dogwood Shop Open for Spring
Today, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm
Beautiful gifts for Mother’s Day, graduation, christenings and weddings. We have a great new selection of jewelry, garden items, gifts, books, and unique decor. Proceeds benefit PRUMC global missions. Open Sunday, Monday and Wednesday.

Methodism 101
Today, 10:00 am, Hospitality Suite
If you are new to PRUMC or have been here for many years, this is an opportunity to learn more about Methodism, its history, and its traditions. A light breakfast will be served.

Organ Recital
Today, 7:00 pm, Moore Chapel
Merrcer University students from the studio of Jack Mitchener will perform works by Bach, Duruflé, Franck, Mendelssohn, Couperin, Thalben-Ball, and Sowerby. Admission is free.

Serve

Global Missions
Sponsor a Child, Change a Life
April 29 & May 6, 8:00 am - 1:00 pm, Grace Hall
Make a lasting change in a child’s life by providing the essentials of food, clothing, education and medical care. A $330 sponsorship will sustain a child for an entire year in the nation of Georgia. View photos, hear stories, read information and talk to our mission team members. Contact Lynn Banks at lynnbanks@mindspring.com.

Mary Grace & Miss Mavis Trunk Show
Sunday, May 6, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm, Dogwood Shop
Unique pieces by member, jewelry designer and teacher Mary Grace Easterling and famed folk art knitter and fiber art specialist Miss Mavis!

Music & Arts

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!

Symphony of Tea Chancel Choir Fundraiser
Saturday, May 5, 2:00 pm, Grace Hall
Join us for an afternoon of tea, fellowship, sweets and sandwiches, a silent auction, and musical entertainment by singer Amy Little and pianist Daniel Solberg. $40/person, $300/table of 8 at prumc.org/events.

Music and Arts Sunday
Sunday, May 6, 8:45 & 11:15 am, Sanctuary
Celebrate the arts at PRUMC with glorious music featuring all choirs and festival brass. Between services, visit Grace Hall to meet artists, see their pieces, and enjoy a special breakfast.

Doxology Mother’s Day Concert
Sunday, May 13, 10:00 am, Moore Chapel
Enjoy the program Doxology has prepared for their upcoming choir tour to the Pacific Northwest.
**LEARN**

**Bishop Sue Haupert-Johnson To Speak**  
Friday, April 20, 7:30 am, All Saints Episcopal  
634 West Peachtree Street  
All are invited to hear Bishop Haupert-Johnson speak on “A Tale of Two Legal Workplaces.” Her legal training, litigation experience, and ministerial/pastoral leadership allow her a unique perspective on integrating law and theology. This event is part of the Atlanta Faithful Lawyers program but all are welcome to attend. $8 at the door. Please RSVP by this Wednesday, April 18 to Rev. Darren Hensley at darren.hensley@ngumc.net.

**CONNECT**

**Children & Families**  

**Baby Day**  
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.

**UMKF Celebration**  
Sunday, April 29, 5:00 pm, The Loft & Soccer Field  
We’ll honor our “graduating” 5th graders with a fun send-off and outdoor games. $10 includes dinner. RSVP at prumc.org/events.

**Youth**

**Under Pressure: Tackling Teen Anxiety Together**  
Sunday, April 22, 5:00 pm, Harp Center  
6th-12th grade students and their parents discuss the pressures unique to today's teens. Dr. Andrea DeWalt and Ashley Zimmerman facilitating. Conversation, dinner, help and hope! RSVP at prumc.org/events.

**Confirmation Sunday**  
Sunday, April 29, 8:45 & 11:15 am, Sanctuary  
All 6th grade confirmation class students will be confirmed as members of the church.

**Youth to Atlanta United**  
Sunday, May 20, 5:00 pm, Meet at PRUMC  
Cheer on Atlanta United as they face the NY Red Bulls! $50 for tickets and transport. Bring extra money for food. RSVP at prumc.org/events.

**Young Adults**

**Brews & Bible**  
Sunday, April 22, 6:00 pm, Ann Lassiter’s home  
Join other Young Adults for Bible Study led by Leslie Watkins, pizza, local brews and sweet tea. RSVP online at prumc.org/events.

**Young Adult Night at the Braves**  
Saturday, May 19, 7:10 pm, SunTrust Park  
Join us to watch the Braves take on the Marlins! RSVP at prumc.org/events.

**Adults**

**Biblical History Center Tour**  
Tuesday, May 8, 9:00 am departure, $40  
We’ll head to LaGrange to watch ancient history come to life! Biblical meal included. RSVP to Julie Wright at 404.240.8203 or juliew@prumc.org.

**Trip to Epworth-by-the-Sea, St. Simons Island**  
September 17 - 20, 2018  
Tour the Gullah Geechee community on Sapelo. Walk Amelia Island’s historic north end and cruise Beach Creek for a close up look of Cumberland Island’s National Seashore. RSVP to Julie Wright at 404.240.8203 or juliew@prumc.org.

**Men**

**Father/Child Camping Trip**  
April 21-22, Camp Glisson, Dahlonega  
Enjoy a great weekend of fellowship in the mountains! Hikes, campfires, games, worship and more! $35 per person includes meals and fees. Details and sign up at prumc.org/events.

**Men’s Breakfast with Geoff Beakley**  
Tuesday, May 8, 7:00 am, Heritage Hall  
As he prepares to graduate from seminary and take on the directorship of the Wesley Foundation, Geoff will speak about staying grounded in times of great change. RSVP at prumc.org/events.

**Women**

**Women’s Spring Dinner, sponsored by UMW**  
Tuesday, May 8, 6:00 pm, Grace Hall  
Enjoy fellowship, dinner and a special awareness program on the issue of human trafficking in Atlanta. Special guests speakers include Dr. Alie Redd, Exec. Dir. of Covenant House, and Keisha Hamilton, author, life coach and survivor. $15 per person all inclusive. RSVP at prumc.org/events.
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

Today, April 15
8:45 & 11:15 am Youth Choirs in Worship
9:00 am Kingdom Journey Meeting
9:30 am Pancake Breakfast
10:00 am Methodism 101 Class
2:00 pm Oakland Cemetery Tour
7:00 pm Organ Recital

April 21 & 22
Father/Child camping trip at Camp Glisson

Sunday, April 22
11:15 am Baby Day
5:00 pm Under Pressure: Teen Anxiety
6:00 pm Young Adult Brews & Bible

Saturday, April 28
6:00 pm Children's Choir Musical

Sunday, April 29
8:00 am Sponsor-a-Child
8:45 & 11:15 am Confirmation Sunday
11:15 am Kid's Worship (1st - 5th)
5:00 pm UMKF - Celebration & Games

Saturday, May 5
2:00 pm Symphony of Tea

Sunday, May 6
8:00 am Sponsor-a-Child
9:00 am Congregational Breakfast
9:00 am Art Exhibit
9:30 am Dogwood Trunk Show
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