THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
THE THIRTEENTH DAY OF MAY, 2018
THE GATHERING

Carillon Prelude

Opening Voluntary  
Berceuse, Twenty four pieces in free style, Op. 31  
Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

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

He shall rule from sea to sea and from the river to the ends of the earth. Alleluia!

Psalm 71:8, 11
Daniel 7:14

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

At the Procession,*
Hymn 92  
For the Beauty of the Earth  
Dix

Invocation*

Affirmation of Faith*

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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Gloria Patri  
Charles Meineke

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Ritual of Christian Fellowship*
Sacrament of Christian Baptism (11:15 am)

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

(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

Wesley Woods Speakers

Bill Baxter (8:45 am), Joe Giordano (11:15 am)

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 147*

All Things Bright and Beautiful

(stanza one)

Prayer*

Anthem

For the beauty of the earth

John Rutter (b. 1945)

For the beauty of the earth; for the beauty of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends of earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild. For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given, graces human and divine, flow’rs of earth and buds of heav’n.

F. S. Pierpoint (1835-1917)

The Chancel Choir
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
Ruth 1:6-22
† following the reading
Minister
The Word of God for the people of God.
People
Thanks be to God!

Sermon
When You’re ‘Running on Empty’

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

At the Invitation,
Hymn 381* Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us Bradbury

SENDING FORTH

Benediction*

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

Response*
May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever. Grant you peace; perfect peace, courage in every endeavor. Lift up your eyes and see His face and His grace forever. May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever.
Choir and Congregation

Closing Voluntary
If thou but suffer God to guide thee, BWV 642 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:
Lanier Church Clay, born November 28, 2017, son of Betsy and Justin Clay; Henry Speir Miller, born April 10, 2017, son of Lane and Matthew Miller; and Aila Sloane Wilborn, born November 13, 2017, daughter of Alex Whiddon and Brad Wilborn.

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

*In Loving Memory of:* Clyde M. Kennedy, III celebrating his 87th birthday and *In Loving Memory of:* Martha and Clyde M. Kennedy, Jr. celebrating their wedding anniversary by Betty Lee, Dan and Kathleen Kennedy.

*In Loving Memory of:* Jeanne Martin and Miriam Wilfong by Janet and Jonathan Wilfong.

*In Loving Memory of:* L. Frederick (Freddie) Glass, Jr. by his wife, Tutta Glass.

*In Loving Memory of:* Inell Anderson by her daughter, Katherine Scott.

*In Loving Memory of:* Lois Brewer and Margaret Fleming by their grandchildren, Justin and Betsy Clay.

*In Honor of:* Carol Fleming and Teri Clay Williams in celebration of Mother’s Day by Justin, Betsy, Walker and Lanier Clay.

*In Honor of:* Alice, Martha, and Leslie Anne Benner by their sons.

*In Honor of:* Doreen Poitevint’s birthday by Meg & Andrew Lange.

*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*
Ruth 1:6-22

**Liturgists:**

**Music:**
Scott Atchison, *Director of Music and Organist*, Nicole Marane, *Associate Director of Music and Associate Organist*, The Chancel Choir

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

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

**Mother's Day Offering for Wesley Woods**
Wesley Woods offers safe and supportive living for senior adults in Georgia. By assisting with shelter, healthcare and other necessities, elderly residents are given a decent and dignified life. Please join us in giving generously to this Methodist foundation using the card and envelope in today's bulletin. You can also donate securely online at www.prumc.org or through the PRUMC mobile app.

**Doxology Mother's Day Concert**
*Today, 10:00 am, Grace Hall*
Enjoy the program Doxology has prepared for their upcoming choir tour to the Pacific Northwest. Our youth choir will present “In the Beginning Was the Word: Singing the Scriptures” – a program based on eleven powerful Bible verses. Doxology Youth Choir will head to Seattle and Victoria, BC on May 26 to perform at Paul Morris’ church, a local food bank, a retirement center, and the beautiful Paradise Inn at Mt. Ranier!

**Dogwood Shop Open Through Week of May 20**
*Today, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm*
Beautiful gifts for Mother’s Day, graduation, christenings and weddings. We have a great selection of jewelry, gifts, books, and unique decor. Proceeds benefit PRUMC global missions. We'll be open for just a few more days so be sure to come by for incredible spring things! Open May 14, 16, 20 and 21.

**Flower Guild Note Cards for Mothers Day**
*Today in the Narthex*
Need a Mothers’ Day gift? The last few boxes of Flower Guild note cards are on sale for $5 a box. Each has 12 images of past Flower Guild arrangements and are blank inside to use for any occasion. Pick them up in the Narthex after both the 8:45 am and 11:15 am services today.

**Stay Connected with the PRUMC App**
Don't miss any of the incredible worship, music or events happening at Peachtree Road. With the PRUMC mobile app, you can worship live with us or catch up later in the week. We have social media feeds, prayer opportunities, event registration and more. Visit your phone's app store, search “PRUMC” and download today!

**IF YOU ARE NEW**

**Newcomer Tour**
*Sunday, May 20, 10:00 am, Sanctuary*
If you are new to PRUMC or just can't seem to find your way around, join us for a 30 minute tour of the campus. We'll tour the Sanctuary, Grace Hall, the Children's Building plus other keys areas of the church. We'll even make sure you know where to park. For details, contact Mimi Brunson at mimib@prumc.org or 404.240.8221.

**Special Spring Joining Sunday**
*Sunday, May 20, 8:45 & 11:15 am*
Have you been worshiping with us and are interested in joining Peachtree Road? Join with other new members on Sunday, May 20 at either worship service. We would love to officially welcome you as a new member and help you find your place at Peachtree Road. Contact Mimi Brunson at mimib@prumc.org or 404.240.8221.

**WORSHIP**

**Music & Arts**

**Pilgrimage to England Preview Concert**
*Sunday, June 3, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary*
Scott Atchison, conductor, Nicole Marane, organ
From July 30 through August 5, 2018, the Chancel Choir will serve as the choir in residence at Westminster Abbey, (London, UK) leading daily worship. Our choir will share music with people from around the world. In turn, our singers will be spiritually and musically enriched, ready to share their gifts with our church and community throughout the year. Come hear the music the choir will perform in this historic place! $10 tickets available at www.prumc.org/events.

**Celebration of Freedom**

**Volunteer Festival Chorus**
*Sunday, June 24, 8:45 and 11:15 am, Sanctuary*
Join us to sing patriotic favorites and hymns from the choir loft. We’ll have one rehearsal on Wednesday, June 20. Refreshments and fellowship at 6:30 pm, rehearsal from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. If you would like to sing, email Ruth Sommerville at ruths@prumc.org.
**Children & Families**

**5th Grade Look Ahead Preview**
Sunday, **May 20**, 10:00 am, Loft & Harp Center
5th graders meet the confirmation leaders, youth and staff, and hear about the exciting year ahead.

**Kid’s Worship**
Sunday, **May 20**, 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!

**Mission Camp!**
June 4 - 6, 9:30 am - 1:00 pm, Atlanta
Children (completed K-5th) and their parents are blessed to serve others in the Atlanta community. Register at prumc.org/events.

**Vacation Bible School – Rolling River Rampage!**
June 25 - 28, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm, PRUMC
Experience the ride of a lifetime with God! 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. Register at prumc.org/events by **June 1**.

**Youth**

**Graduate Recognition**
Sunday, **May 20**, 11:15 am, Sanctuary
2018 graduating seniors will be recognized during worship and have the chance to share their post-graduation plans with the congregation.

**Youth to Atlanta United Game**
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.

**Food & Fellowship**

**Pancake Breakfast**
Sunday, **May 20**, 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.

**Adults**

**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.

**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.

May 16 Service Project
May 23 Movie (TBA)
Jun 6 Classic Bingo
Jun 20 Speaker: *Leading a Balanced Life*

**Men**

**Wednesday Morning Coffee Resumes in June**
Wednesdays, **starting June 6**, 7:00 am, C105
Men’s Morning Coffee will not meet in May. We will resume fellowship June 6. Join us then as we gather to encourage one another in our faith. Discussion is topical and no preparation is necessary.

**Young Adults**

**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.

**Singles Gathering Event!**
Thursday, **June 28**, 6:30 pm, Hudson Grill
New to the church? Been attending a long time? Join other singles ages 30-45 to mingle and get to know one another. All are welcome! Sign up at prumc.org/events.

**CARE**

**Movers and Shakers – Parkinson’s Support Group**
2nd Wednesdays, 12:00 pm, B152
**June 13, July 11, August 8**
Join us every second Wednesday for lunch, support, fellowship and information on Parkinson’s Disease. We welcome excellent speakers each month to keep us posted on the latest news about research, medications, diet and exercises. All are welcome! No registration necessary.
**Global Missions**

2019 Kenya Family Mission Trip  
**Team Meeting:** Sunday, August 19, 10:00 am  
**Trip Dates:** June 20 - 30, 2019  
Registration now open for our first family mission trip to Kenya led by Scott Alexander! Children must be 12 years old by departure date. Limited space. Sign up available online only at prumc.org/events.

**Local Outreach**

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.

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**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.

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**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.

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.