THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY of MARCH, 2019
THE GATHERING

Carillon Prelude

Sally Westmoreland

Opening Voluntary  

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

O Mensch, bewein dein Sünde gross, BWV 622  

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.

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The Call to Worship

Minister:  Let us worship and celebrate!

People:  Many here were lost, but are now found.

Minister:  Many here were once far away, but have been brought near by Christ Jesus.

People:  Many here were once dead, but are alive again through God’s love!

Let us worship and celebrate indeed!

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

At the Procession,*

Hymn 159  

Lift High the Cross  

Crucifer

Prayer of Confession*

Minister:  Let us confess our sins to God.

Minister and People:  O God, when we keep silence about our sin, we waste away with regret and guilt; we feel your hand upon us, and our strength dries up. And so we acknowledge our sin to you, holding nothing back, for you are a hiding place for us; we trust in you to preserve us. Forgive us and reclaim us, we pray. Amen.

Cantor:  Let us pray to the Lord:

Choir:  Lord, have mercy.
The people are seated.

Ritual of Christian Fellowship*

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Infant Blessing (11:15 am)

Hymn 147

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Royal Oak

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

Susan Marshall, Restorative Prison Ministry

Concerns and Celebrations of the Congregation

Pastoral Prayer

Choral Response

† Please join the choir in singing the response.

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

Kyrie eleison

Kriewald Kyrie

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, kyrie eleison.

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

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

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

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Hymn 292*

What Wondrous Love is This

USA folk hymn
Prayer*

Anthem

The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing. He shall feed me in a green pasture, and lead me beside the waters of comfort. He shall convert my soul and bring forth in the paths of righteousness for His name’s sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me: Thy rod and thy staff comfort me. Thou shalt prepare a table for me against them that trouble me: Thou hast anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full. But thy loving kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord, forever.

The Chancel Choir
Barbara Cook, oboe

Psalm 23

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 Gospel Lesson*

Luke 15:20-32
† following the reading

Minister: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERVING FORTH

Benediction*

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

Response* Tune: Hamburg

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

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

At the Invitation, Hymn 568* Christ For The World We Sing Italian Hymn

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

When Others Disappoint You

Prayer*
Closing Voluntary

Fugue in E-flat Major (St. Anne), BWV 552

J.S. Bach

* 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.

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

In Honor of: Margaret Ann Bruce in celebration of her 93rd birthday by her children, grandchildren and her great-grandsons.

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
Luke 15:20-32

Liturgists: Rev. Elizabeth Byrd, Associate Minister; Rev. Carolyn Stephens, Associate Minister, Rev. Julie Wright, Associate Minister, Rev. Daniel Ogle, Associate Minister, Rev. Lindsay Geist, Deacon

Music: Scott Atchison, Director of Music and Organist, Joel Trekell, Interim Associate Organist and Choirmaster, The Chancel Choir

Holy Communion
Moore Chapel, 9:00 am
Rev. Daniel Ogle, Associate Minister
Robin Hensley, Guest Organist

The Road
Heritage Hall, 11:15 am
Preaching: Rev. Elizabeth Byrd, Associate Minister
Liturgist: Mace Hall
Amy Little, Worship Leader

Sundays @ 5
Moore Chapel, 5:00 pm
Rev. Bill Britt, Senior Minister
Lee Martin, Worship Leader

For information on upcoming worship services please visit www.prumc.org.
ANNOUNCEMENTS . MARCH 31, 2019

Complete details at www.prumc.org. Join us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.
Sign up to receive our weekly Enewsletter by using the red pads in your row.

TODAY

Baby Day
Today, March 31, 11:15 am, Sanctuary
All babies born to church members between March 1, 2018 and February 28, 2019 will be honored during 11:15 am worship. Afterwards, families enjoy a brunch and program in Grace Hall.

Flower Guild Notecards
Today, March 31 | April 7 & May 5
The new Flower Guild Notecards are great gifts to put in your Easter baskets! Please look for us in the Narthex and Grace Hall after the services.

March BCM Food Drive
Help PRUMC fill the food pantry at BCM so Atlanta’s working poor can feed their families. Grocery bag lists will be handed out after worship or visit prumc.org/drives-offerings. Drop off filled bags at bins in the Rollins Lobby or Grace Hall.

2019 Lenten Offering
Together, we are the Body of Christ and what we do matters. Last year, we came together in a “setting aside” to create real, sustainable change in our community through our inaugural Lenten Offering. The impact of that offering exceeded our expectations in ways we never imagined. Let us once again lend our support to our agency partners’ missions to glorify God. Visit prumc.org/lentenoffering for more information or to give.

Open Table Listening Sessions
Today, March 31 | April 3, 7, 9, 10 & 17
6:00 pm, Hospitality Suite
Peachtree Road is striving to become a more welcoming and hospitable church for all people. To help us with this initiative, we are hosting six listening sessions to give persons an opportunity to share their suggestions on how we can strengthen this important ministry. Please sign up for one of the sessions and let us hear from you. RSVP at prumc.org/events.

The Dogwood Shop Is Open!
Sun, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm | Mon, 10 am - 2 pm | Wed, 9:30 am - 6:30 pm
Find unique and beautiful gifts for Easter, Mother’s Day, graduation, birthdays, weddings, and baby! Contact tracyn@prumc.org to volunteer.

LENTEN WORSHIP

Palm Sunday
Sunday, April 14, Sanctuary
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 Midday Services
April 15 - April 18, 12:00 pm, Moore Chapel
Meaningful services led by PRUMC clergy.

Maundy Thursday Choral Eucharist
Thursday, April 18, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary
On this evening, we begin three days of remembering the significant events preceding the death of Jesus Christ.

Community Good Friday Service
Friday, April 19, 12:00 pm, Second Ponce Baptist
On this day, Jesus willingly sacrificed himself for our sins. We commemorate this crucial tenet of Christianity in worship with our faith community.

Holy Saturday Communion with Bishop Sue Haupert-Johnson
Saturday, April 20, 10:00 am, Cascade UMC
All members of PRUMC are invited to join Bishop Haupert-Johnson as she presents One in the Spirit and Holy Communion.

EASTER SUNDAY

Easter Day Services | Sunday, April 21
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 & First Service of the Resurrection

8:15, 9:45, & 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. Music by Bairstow and Rudolph.

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.
**PRAYER**

**Lenten Quiet Day**
Wednesday, April 3, 9:00 am, Heritage Hall
9:00 am Gathering and Welcome
9:30 am Quiet Day Through Art
10:30 am Individual Reflection
11:00 am Lectio Divina
11:45 am Closing
Lent is a time of self-examination and reflection. In silence, we create intentional space for us to discern the action to which God calls us. Join us for a morning set apart as we pause, listen, and turn to God. Visit prumc.org/events to register.

**Guided Stations of the Cross**
Wednesday, April 17, 11:30 am, 2nd Floor Rollins
Clergy members guide participants in devotion and prayer and lead them to the next station. This will culminate in the Narthex and our Holy Week Chapel service.

**Good Friday Prayer Vigil**
Friday, April 19, 12:00 am – 11:59 pm
Through great suffering Jesus showed great love for humanity. Together we will reflect, wait and hope through intentional in-home prayer and meditation. Visit prumc.org/events to register.

**MUSIC & ARTS**

**Three Choirs Festival**
Thursday, April 4, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary
Powerhouse performances by Georgia State Singers, University of Georgia Hodgson Singers, and Emory University Concert Choir. $15 suggested donation/$5 for students.

**Coro Vocati: Home and Beyond**
Saturday, April 6, 7:00 pm, Moore Chapel
This program features English language folks songs and hymns from three countries—Ireland, Scotland, and America. These songs sing of the longings common to all people and cultures—love, work, land, and home. $15 suggested donation/$5 for students.

**Passion of the Christ**
Sunday, April 7, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary
Over the past decade, Peachtree Road has created a beautiful Lenten tradition through inspired organ works, reflective settings, and live readings of connective scripture. Join us for this moment of reflection and contemplation. $15 suggested donation/$5 for students.

**PRESCHOOL**

**Spring Fling**
Saturday, April 27, 10:00 am, Harp Center
Join The Preschool for their biggest fundraising event of the year! Enjoy train and pony rides, a petting zoo, face painting, and more. Register at thepreschool.org.

**CHILDREN & FAMILIES**

**Easter Egg Hunt**
Saturday, April 20, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm, The Hill’s Inflatable slides, pony rides, bunnies, and a visit from the Easter bunny! Contact Martha Christopher at marthac@prumc.org.

**Answer the Call. Teach Our Children!**
Join our awesome teaching team in answering God’s call to teach our children, sharing the stories that grow their faith. Email Martha Christopher at marthac@prumc.org.

**Summer Camp Registration Now Open!**
Registration now online at prumc.org/events.
- **Mission Camp | June 3 - 5**, 9:30 am - 1:00 pm
- **VBS | June 24 - 27**, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

**YOUTH**

**1|99+ Event**
Sunday, April 7, 5:00 pm, Harp Center
Let’s come together, have fun, and build community! We’ll have inflatables, raffle prizes, games, a food truck, a Mario Kart Tournament, and more! Visit prumc.org/events to register.

**Calling All Parents of Confirmands!**
Confirmation Sunday, May 5, 8:45 & 11:15 am
We want to make sure you are receiving emails from us as we prepare for this wonderful Sunday. If you have not received any information, please contact Grace Nadeau at gracen@prumc.org.

**Braves vs Brewers**
Saturday, May 18, 7:20 pm, SunTrust Park, $25
Tickets available at prumc.org/events.
WELCOME!

At Peachtree Road, all are welcome to join in the worship of God, the fellowship of this community of faith, and the ministry of outreach with others.

Regardless of whether you identify as young or old, rich or poor, gay or straight, married or single, conservative or progressive, black or white or brown, a committed Christian or just checking out church, or anywhere in between, you are welcome in this place.

We are so glad you are here and hope you will discover a sense of belonging at Peachtree Road.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Try one of our many Sunday worship offerings! The hour you spend here will help refocus and refresh your faith. Childcare is available in our nursery for children ages 6 weeks to 2 years each Sunday.

8:45 am  Traditional Worship | Warm, meaningful worship built upon traditional Christian liturgy.
9:00 am  Holy Communion | A service celebrating the gift of the Eucharist.
11:15 am  Traditional Worship | Warm, meaningful worship built upon traditional Christian liturgy.
11:15 am  The Road Contemporary Worship | Inviting worship with a transformative message and engaging music.
5:00 pm  Sundays @ 5 Casual Worship | A comfortable, come-as-you-are service on Sunday afternoons.

JOINING PEACHTREE ROAD

New members are welcomed into the congregation on a designated Sunday once a month during the 8:45 or 11:15 am worship services. Our upcoming joining day is Sunday, April 14. 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.

THE DOGWOOD GIFT SHOP

Jana Fleming Fine Art Trunk Show
Sunday, April 14, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm
Let the transcendent art of PRUMC Member Jana Fleming transform your space! Her eye for interior design and love of color combine to create a distinct vision sure to add texture and beauty to your home.

LOCAL OUTREACH

48th Habitat for Humanity Dedication
Saturday, April 6, 7:30 am – 3:30 pm
Celebrate with Kareen Holloway and her daughter Kayla as they achieve the dream of home ownership. Register at prumc.org/events.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Respite Care Atlanta
Respite Care Atlanta is a safe, weekday place that provides vital interaction for those with mild cognitive impairment. Volunteers are needed. Visit respitecareatlanta.org.

Grief Share
Tuesdays, April 2 – May 21, 6:30 pm, C105
Grief Share is a support group for those experiencing the loss of a loved one. Contact Lisa Huni at lisah@prumc.org.