



PEACHTREE ROAD
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
THE SECOND DAY *of* OCTOBER, 2022

EIGHT FORTY-FIVE AND ELEVEN FIFTEEN O'CLOCK

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MORNING WORSHIP

OCTOBER 2, 2022 . 8:45 AM & 11:15 AM

THE GATHERING

CARILLON PRELUDE

Sally Westmoreland

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Voluntary in D minor for Double Organ, Z. 719

Henry Purcell
(1659-1695)

THE GREETING

We welcome each of you to this service!
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

Jacques Berthier
(1923-1994)

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry. Eat this bread,
drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

Taizé

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

AT THE PROCESSION, *

HYMN 62

All Creatures of our God and King

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

(stanzas one, two, three, four and seven)

Unison

1. All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us
 2. O broth - er wind, air, clouds, and rain, by which all crea-tures ye sus-
 3. O sis - ter wa - ter, flow - ing clear, make mu - sic for thy Lord to
 4. Dear moth - er earth, who day by day un - fold - est bless-ings on our
 5. Let all things their Cre - at - or bless, and wor - ship him in hum-ble-

4 Harmony Unison

sing, O praise ye! Al - le - lu - ia! O broth - er sun with
 tain, O praise ye! Al - le - lu - ia! Thou ris - ing morn, in
 hear, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! O broth - er fire who
 way, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! The flowers and fruits that
 ness, O praise ye! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise, praise the Fath - er,

gold - en beam, O sis - ter moon with sil - ver gleam!
 praise re - joice, ye lights of eve - ning, find a voice!
 lights the night, pro - vid - ing warmth, en - hanc - ing sight,
 in thee grow, let them God's glo - ry al - so show!
 praise the Son, and praise the Spir - it, Three in One!

Refrain (Harmony)

O praise ye! O praise ye! Al - le - lu - ia!

Unison

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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 sins before God and one another.

CONFESSION AND PARDON *

Minister and People: Miracle-working God, your love and power is beyond our comprehension. But at times we try to box you in. We confess that we often limit you and fail to see what is possible in your holy name. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to lean on your great power and love each and every day.

Minister: Hear the good news: All things are possible with God, and it is never too late to trust in God's power and love. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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

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† *The people are seated.*

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE CONGREGATION

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

Taizé

Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Genesis 18:1-15

† *following the reading*

Minister: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Come to the Table: Laughter at the Table

AT THE OFFERTORY,

† An offering is collected to support the work of Peachtree Road United Methodist Church sharing God's love with the world. Please register your attendance in the Ritual of Christian Fellowship pad in your pew. Let us know if you are new, would like to become a member or are interested in more information about Peachtree Road.

PRAYER

ANTHEM

Pilgrims' hymn

Stephen Paulus
(1949-2015)

Even before we call on Your name to ask you, O God, When we seek for the words to glorify You, You hear our prayer; unceasing love, O unceasing love, surpassing all we know. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Even with the darkness sealing us in, we breathe your name, and through all the days that follow so fast, we trust in You; Endless Your grace, O endless Your grace, beyond all mortal dream. Both now and forever, and unto ages and ages, Amen.

*Michael Dennis Browne
(b. 1940)*

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. You have made from one every nation and people to live on all the face of the earth. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS *

mf
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might.
Heav'n___ and earth___ are full___ of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blest is he who comes_ in the name_ of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.---

† *The people are seated.*

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. 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. He commissioned us to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth and to make disciples of all nations, and today his family in all the world is joining at his holy table.

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. Renew our communion with

your Church throughout the world, and strengthen it in every nation and among every people to witness faithfully in your name. 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.

All

A - men, a - men,
a - men.

The musical notation consists of two staves in 4/4 time with a key signature of three flats. The first staff contains the melody for 'A - men, a - men,' and the second staff contains the melody for 'a - men.' The piece concludes with a double bar line.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE AGNUS DEI

2. *mp*

1.2. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

mf

3. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: grant us peace.

The musical notation for the Agnus Dei is in 2/4 time with a key signature of three flats. It features three distinct melodic lines. The first line is marked *mp* and includes a first ending. The second line is marked *mf* and includes a second ending. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

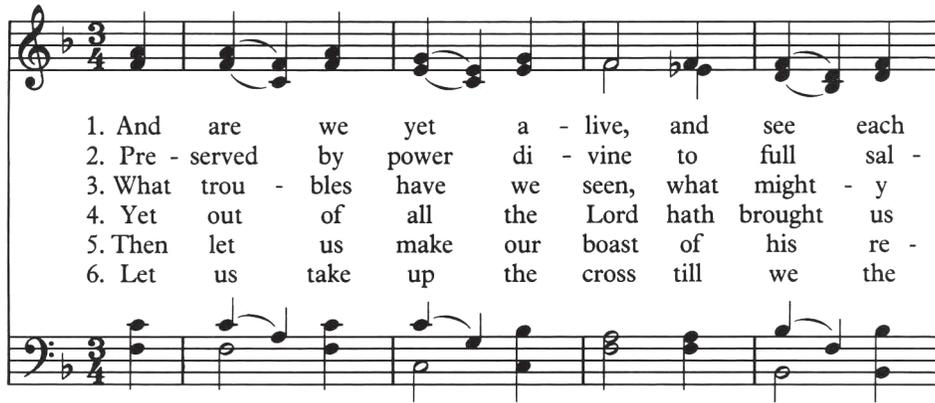
Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. May we live in mystical unity with Christ always. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, bearing in us the light of Christ, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

HYMN 553 *

Are We Yet Alive

Dennis



1. And are we yet a - live, and see each
2. Pre - served by power di - vine to full sal -
3. What trou - bles have we seen, what might - y
4. Yet out of all the Lord hath brought us
5. Then let us make our boast of his re -
6. Let us take up the cross till we the



oth - er's face? Glo - ry and thanks to
va - tion here, a - gain in Je - sus'
con - flicts past, fight - ings with - out, and
by his love; and still he doth his
deem - ing power, which saves us to the
crown ob - tain, and glad - ly reck - on



Je - sus give for his al - might - y grace!
praise we join, and in his sight ap - pear.
fears with - in, since we as - sem - bled last!
help af - ford, and hides our life a - bove.
ut - ter - most, till we can sin no more.
all things loss so we may Je - sus gain.

Charles Wesley, 1749

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

A new commonwealth

Ralph Vaughan Williams
(1872-1958)

* 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.

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

In Loving Memory of: Marianna McLaurine Abernathy and Anne Hodgin Williams by Beth and Andy Abernathy.

In Loving Memory of: Marcia Ward by her husband, Bob Ward and her son, Wright Ward.

In Celebration of: Emily Browne and Kyle Brady's wedding in Savannah on October 1 by Madge and Bill Brady.

In Celebration of the Wedding of: Christel Blackington and Brad Sands.

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*
Genesis 18:1-15

Liturgists: Rev. Josh Miles, *Associate Minister*
Rev. Leslie Lyons Watkins, *Associate Minister*

Music: Scott Atchison, *Director of Music and Organist*
Dr. Oliver Brett, *Associate Organist and Choirmaster*
The Chancel Choir

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS . OCTOBER 2, 2022

Learn more, opt-in to emails, register for events and give at www.prumc.org.

TODAY

Blessing of the Animals

Today, 5:00 pm, Sanctuary

Join us for our annual service to bless all of our furry, finned, and feathered friends. This is a special service for our beloved pets, and all who love animals. All creatures great and small from all corners of Atlanta and beyond are welcome!

Sunday Coffee & Breakfast

Sundays, 9:30 - 11:15 am, Grace Hall

Choose from a la carte or enjoy a full meal each Sunday.

Adult Sunday School

Sundays, 10:00 am, B & C Buildings

In a weekly small group, you can experience friendship, support and learning within the greater church community. Feel free to visit many different classes until you find the one that fits you best. For more information, please contact Elizabeth Byrd at 404.240.8270 or elizabethb@prumc.org.

The Dogwood Shop

Today, 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

Stop by to shop our new fall arrivals! All proceeds benefit Global Missions. Shop in person or browse online at thedogwoodshop.org.

ORIENTATION & JOINING

Tea with the Clergy

Next Sunday, **October 9**, 12:30 - 2:00 pm, Hospitality Suite
Get to know our church and ministers better at this casual afternoon gathering. Rev. Bill Britt, Rev. Elizabeth Byrd and Rev. Josh Miles will answer questions, share their vision and help you connect to areas of interest within the church. After conversation wraps up, those who wish to take the next step in membership may join in a brief service. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Rev. Elizabeth Byrd at elizabethb@prumc.org.

FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

Fall BBQ

Sunday, **October 23**, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Grace Hall

The men of the church are pulling out the Traeger for a fall BBQ! Come out on a beautiful fall day to visit with church friends and enjoy some tasty Q. This meal is complimentary.

Halloween Extravaganza

Wednesday, **October 26**, 5:30 - 7:30 pm, Green Lots

Put on your favorite costume and join us for our awesome annual Halloween event! We will have a Trunk-or-Treat, bouncies, games, music, pizza, a cake walk, and much more! This is fall fun at its finest for our families and community. For more information or to volunteer, contact Brittany Charron at brittanyc@prumc.org.

Green & Silver, Red & Gold

Sunday, **November 13**, 5:00 - 6:30 pm, Grace Hall

Join us for the women's event of the season! Our resident pros will share holiday tips for a perfectly spectacular Christmas. Our spaces will be filled with decor, demos, food, music and festivity. All proceeds will benefit Beloved Atlanta. Save the date and look for registration coming soon.

LOCAL OUTREACH

Family Day at Metro Reentry Center

Saturday, **October 22**, 8 am-12 pm, or 12 pm-4 pm

Help bring fun and connection to fathers and families. Volunteer to create a Halloween Carnival and lunch at Metro Reentry Center with games, food, music, fellowship and goodies! Register to volunteer at prumc.org/register.

Harp's Christmas Kindness

Sign-ups begin in October

At our unique Christmas shop, families who qualify can select gifts at no cost to them. We have a multitude of meaningful volunteer positions at this favorite event. Watch for registration opening in the next few weeks.

ONE LAMB MENTAL WELLNESS

The Science of Renewing the Mind with Dr. Cathy Snapp

Sunday, **October 16**, 10:00 am, Heritage Hall

Dr. Cathy Snapp is Campus Director of Behavioral Health for the Medical College of Georgia's AU/UGA Medical Partnership. Dr. Snapp will offer powerful tools, teachings, and practices integrating science and spirituality. Join us to:

- Explore the spiritual science of renewing the mind
- Recognize positive emotion as a driver of well-being
- Learn evidenced-based skills for building your capacity for peace, joy, love, and empowerment

Addiction Panel Event

Sunday, **October 16**, 5:00 pm, Grace Hall

A panel of addiction recovery professionals will discuss treatment options and recovery. The panel will be led by Neil Campbell, Executive Director of the Georgia Council on Substance Abuse (GCSA). Experts will include an addiction psychiatrist, a recovery minister, an addiction pastoral counselor and executives from GCSA, iHOPE, and The Addiction Alliance of Georgia. All are welcome.

PASTORAL COUNSELING

The Pastoral Counseling Service (PCS) confidentially offers professional counseling and pastoral care to individuals, couples and families. Our professional counselors are academically trained and clinically licensed by the State of Georgia. We are experienced in navigating life's challenges and are committed to helping clients do the same. You may make an appointment with Ron Greer or Andrea Dewalt by contacting Heather Hart at 404.240.8219.

PASTORAL CARE

Respite Care Volunteer Team Info Session

Monday, **October 10**, 10:00 - 11:00 am

Respite Care Atlanta is seeking volunteers to assist adults with mild-to-moderate dementia, providing a safe and stimulating environment for program participants. Contact Jane Brann at jbrann@spdl.org.

Movers and Shakers Parkinson's Support Group

Wednesday, **October 12**, 12:00 pm, B158

If you or someone you love has Parkinson's disease, join us each month for lunch and sharing. Contact Rosemary Josey at rosemary.josey@gmail.com.

MUSIC & ARTS

Chamber Music Concert Series

Visit prumc.org/music for ensemble and ticket information.

The Atlanta Chamber Players

Sunday, **October 23**, 3:00 pm, Sanctuary

The Atlanta Chamber Players will present stunning classical works by Mozart, Ravel and Robert Schumann, including a premiere by the Chamber Consortium 2022 winner, Benjamin Horne.

The Georgian Chamber Players

Sunday, **November 20**, 3:00 pm, Sanctuary

Formed by principal players of the ASO, the Georgian Chamber Players will perform masterpieces by Mendelssohn and Brahms, including Mendelssohn's concert for piano, violin and strings in D minor.

Doxology Youth Choir on Retreat

To launch an incredible year of performance and outreach, our Youth Choir is on retreat this weekend. This morning they will present music at Lanier UMC before heading back to PRUMC. If you youth would like to be a part of Doxology contact Kathy Fletcher at kathyf@prumc.org.

Children & Youth Choir in Worship

Oct 16 | 10:00 am Doxology Youth Chorale

Oct 23 | 8:45 am Cherub Choir

Oct 23 | 11:15 am Covenant Choir & Celebration Singers

MIDWEEK

Midweek Worship

Wednesdays, 12:00 pm, Moore Chapel

Find inspiration in the middle of your week at this 30-minute service led by members of our clergy and music staff. All are welcome to worship with us in person or online. Visit prumc.org/worship for weekly details and bulletin links.

Midweek Lunch

Wednesdays, 11:30 am - 1 pm, Grace Hall

A delicious and convenient compliment to our noon service. Weekly menus are online at prumc.org/meals. \$12.

WELCOME!

We are glad you are with us today! Please check in to help us keep in touch with our faith community. You can sign in using the red pads in your pew, scan the QR codes here, or check in with one click on the PRUMC App.

Guest Check-in



Member Check-in



YOUNG ADULTS

Taco Tuesdays: Who Are United Methodists?

Tuesdays, **Now – Oct 25**, 6:30 pm, Hospitality Suite
Join us for tacos and to learn more about Methodism from our clergy. RSVP to Natalie Bennett natalieb@prumc.org.

Oct 4 Josh Miles **Oct 18** Jamie Jenkins
Oct 11 Bill Britt **Oct 25** Leslie Watkins

YOUTH

Tuesday Youth Prayer Breakfasts

Join us for a quick time of fellowship, breakfast, and prayer before everyone heads off to school for the day. Visit prumc.org for contact and location details.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Drop-in Weekday Childcare

Monday - Friday, 9:15 am - 1:15 pm, Children's Building
We offer flexible, faith-based childcare that includes art, music and play for children 4 months to 6 years. Our policies and cleaning are consistent with both CDC and BFTS COVID 19 guidelines. For more information, contact Erin Sturtevant at 404.420.8269 or drop-in@prumc.org.

Kids' Worship!

Sundays, 11:15 am, The Loft

All 3rd-5th grade students are invited to an awesome worship hour of games, music, a relevant message, and the chance to deepen relationships with Christ and each other. This experience was created especially for your older elementary students and we hope they will join us.

THE CENTENNIAL

Commemorative Centennial Ornaments

On June 8, 2025 we will celebrate the 100th anniversary of our great church! In honor of the centennial, commemorative items are now available for purchase. This year's keepsake is a beautiful beveled glass ornament etched with an image of the Peachtree Road steeple. Order online at prumc.org/centennial or purchase through your Sunday School class.

YOUR SUPPORT

Disaster Relief Donations

Puerto Rico had not yet recovered from Hurricane Maria when they were hit last week by destructive and devastating Hurricane Fiona. There is a dire need for safe drinking water, especially in poorer regions. PRUMC and Uzima have mobilized to provide water filters to the hardest hit areas. You can donate at prumc.org/give. Time is of the essence, so please donate as quickly as possible.

Special Offering for Wellroot

Next Sunday, **October 9**

Your gift will support foster families here in Atlanta and throughout the region as they provide a safe, loving environment for children who have no place else to turn. Wellroot programs guide young people through foster care, transitional and independent living, and help families maintain shelter and stability in the face of homelessness.

Commitment Sunday

Sunday, **October 23**, 2022

We will come together in the tradition of making our annual gifts to God and to our church. Your generosity opens our doors to those seeking to worship God, seeking a loving community, and seeking a helping hand. We are grateful for your continued support and generosity to the mission of the church. Commitment cards will be available at the church and online starting October 9.

Online Giving

You may give securely any time on the PRUMC App, or at prumc.org/give. Scan this QR code with your smart phone camera to be directed to our giving web page. There, you can easily complete your contribution.

