

PEACHTREE ROAD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
THE NINETEENTH DAY of MARCH, 2023

EIGHT FORTY-FIVE AND ELEVEN FIFTEEN O'CLOCK

MORNING WORSHIP

March 19, 2023 . 8:45 AM & II:15 AM

THE GATHERING

CARILLON PRELUDE

Sally Westmoreland

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Chorale - prelude on 'Rockingham'

C.H.H. Parry (1848-1918)

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 CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the Lord, your God.

People: For He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and relents from punishing.

Praise and Thanksgiving

AT THE PROCESSION, * HYMN 73 O Worship the King Lyons 1. O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious - bove, 2. O tell of God's 0 of God's grace, might, sing 3. The earth with of its store won - ders un - told, 4. Thy boun - ti ful care, what tongue can - cite? re 5. Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble frail, grate - ful God's power God's 1y sing and love; whose - 0 robe is the light, whose can space, - py Al might - y, thy power hath found - ed of old; It breathes in light; the air, it shines in the thee do trust, find fail; we nor thee to fend - er, Shield and De our the An - cient of Days, whose char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der-clouds form, hath stab-lished fast it by a change-less de cree, plain, streams from the hills, it de scends to the thy firm mer - cies how ten - der, how the end, pa vil - ioned in splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise. path and dark God's the is on wings of the storm. round it hath cast, like man - tle, the sea. and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain. our Mak - er, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend.

Robert Grant, 1833

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *

Minister: Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Minister and People: God of grace and God of glory, we confess that we have elevated

the things of this world above you. We have used your name for causes that are not consistent with you and your purposes. We have permitted our schedules to come first and have not taken the time to be still and know you. Forgive us, O God, for the many ways we fall short of your glory. Help us to learn to live together according to your ways; 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

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

† The people are seated.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC (II:15 AM)

The promised land, Are We There Yet?

Allen Pote (b. 1945)

The voice of God is calling like the mem'ry of a song. It whispers that this desert place is not where we belong. We journey toward a promise that's written in our bones. We were not made for barren lands, we have another home. There's a home where the love of God will guide us. There's a home at a table set with grace. There's a home where the Lord will sit beside us. There's a home where we'll see God face to face. We pray when halting footsteps have found the journey's end, that even deepest enemies will gather friend to friend, and we who are God's people will be the light that leads, till ev'ry brokenhearted spirit can find the peace it needs.

Tom Long

Combined Children's Choirs Maybeth Rutherford, Sarah Chase Nunn, Mary Elise Grant, soloists

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM (II: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 Tune: Stuttgart

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

TESTIMONY Linus Djokoto

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE CONGREGATION

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE



† Please join the choir in singing the response.

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. Please register your attendance in the Ritual of Christian Fellowship Folder. Let us know if you are new, would like to become a member or are interested in more information about Peachtree Road.

PRAYER

ANTHEM

God so loved the world, The Crucifixion

John Stainer (1840-1941)

God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that who so believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world. God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; But that the world through Him might be saved.

John 3:16-17

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 LESSON Exodus 17:1-7

† following the reading

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

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *

The Apostles' Creed

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.



BENEDICTION *

PEACE *

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

RESPONSE * Finlandia



Choir and Congregation

CLOSING	VOLUNTARY
Fanfare	

Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)

* 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.

Please Welcome to our Church Community These Children Being Baptized Today: Mimi Jane Molloy, born June 3, 2022, daughter of Sarah and Sonny Molloy; and Lucas Cole Vinsant, born October 8, 2022, son of Samantha and Zach Vinsant.

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

In Loving Memory of: Richard E. Conway in honor of his birthday by his wife, Barbara, and family. In Loving Memory of: Fredda Peele by her daughters, Peggy Peele, Laura Youmans and Mary Katherine Peele.

In Celebration of the Wedding of: Olivia Hunter and Jacob Weber.

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

Exodus 17:1-7

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 Kathy Fletcher, Director of Youth and Children's Music

Dr. Robin Hensley, *Music Associate* Pat Rainey Price, *Music Associate*

Cherub Choir Celebration Singers Covenant Choir The Chancel Choir

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

WELCOME TO PEACHTREE ROAD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

We are grateful for your presence in worship and we invite you to participate in our program and service life. Our hope is to make a warm, caring community that you can call home. For more information on our ministries, please visit prumc.org.

SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023

TODAY

St. Patrick's Lucky Brisket Luncheon

Today, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Grace Hall

Join us for a delicious meal and warm fellowship with your church friends and family. We are celebrating St. Patrick's Day with an Irish luncheon! Enjoy hearty brisket, parsley potatoes, green beans, rolls and a birthday cake for Bill Britt! \$10/adults, \$5/children under 12, \$40/family max.

UMKF Family Service Project

Today, 4:00 - 6:30 pm, Grace Hall

3rd, 4th, 5th graders AND parents will prepare homeless ministry bags, sack lunches, and hygiene kits as part of our Season of Service. After our project, we will share dinner together. No cost. Sign up at prumc.org/register.

JOINING

Tea with the Clergy

Sunday, March 26, 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. For more information, please contact Rev. Elizabeth Byrd at elizabethb@prumc.org.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Holy Week Family Bags

Pick up Sundays, March 26 & April 2, Children's Bldg. Lobby Sign up at prumc.org/register for a bag filled with all the supplies needed to observe Holy Week at home in meaningful ways as a family.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

Saturday, **April 8**, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, PRUMC Campus Join us for inflatable slides, train rides, a petting zoo, and a visit from the Easter bunny! Egg hunts begin at 10:30 am. For more information contact Jordan Black at jordanb@prumc.org.

YOUNG ADULTS

Twenty/20 Vision Speaker Series: Out of Your Mind

Anxious and Mentally Well with Austin Hunter
Sunday, March 26, 1:00 pm, Mellow Mushroom/Buckhead
Join us for pizza and learn from licensed psychotherapist
Austin Hunter about the importance and healing factors
of being genuine in your relationships. Sponsored by One
Lamb Initiative.

ADULTS

Seasoned Saints Midweek Programs

Wednesday, March 22, 1:00 pm, C106

Will Green will discuss yet another of his talents... **Beekeeping!** Please contact Brittany Charron at brittanyc@ prumc.org if you can attend.

Season of Service Outreach Trip to HopeWorks

Tuesday, March 28, 10:00 am Departure from Rollins Bldg. We'll deliver gift bags to the widows of our partner agency, HopeWorks. Please contact Brittany Charron at brittanyc@prumc.org if you can attend.

MFN

"First Study" - A New Men's Group

Mondays, starting March 20, 7:15 am, C106

Jeremy Garlington and participants will combine in-depth Scriptural reading with interactive discussion and potential application. First Study will provide a fun, "live" way to apply God's Word as you start your work week. Please join us! For more information, contact Rev. Geoff Beakley at geoffb@prumc.org.

Breakfast with Rev. Geoff Beakley

Thursday, March 30, 7:00 am, Heritage Hall Join the men of PRUMC for a breakfast and a hearty helping of spiritual inspiration. Have you ever felt God was "winking" at you? Our own Rev. Geoff Beakley will speak about God's presence in our midst. Over breakfast, we'll explore how God and God's providence are active in our lives, in the good times and the difficult. Please RSVP at prumc.org/register.

MUSIC & ARTS

Passion of the Christ - Musical Stations of the Cross

Sunday, March 26, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary

Scott H. Atchison, *gallery organ*; Herb Buffington, *chancel organ*; Rev. Emily Miles, *narration*; Schola, antiphons, Peachtree Carillon Over the past decade, Peachtree Road has created a beautiful Lenten tradition through inspired organ improvisations, reflective settings sung by PRUMC's Schola, and live readings of connective scripture. The Sanctuary is illuminated by the glow of candles representing Christ's light, inspiring moments of reflection and contemplation for the listener. \$15 suggested concert donation.

DOGWOOD SHOP

Dogwood Trunk Show - Leave It at the Cross

Sunday, March 26, 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

Select from three different designs of beautiful, botanical crosses handmade by a local gardener. Crosses will be made especially for Palm Sunday, crafted from fresh greenery. You may pre-order now, or purchase on March 26.

WORSHIP GUILDS

Flower Guild Fundraiser

Sunday, April 2, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, Grace Hall

Martha Tate, a founding member of the PRUMC Flower Guild will have her new book, "The Last Ride" for sale as a fundraiser to restore the guild's cutting garden. The cutting garden is located on our campus and is used to cultivate flowers and greenery for the magnificent arrangements you see each Sunday. Many mature plants were hurt during the Christmas cold snap and will need to be replaced. You may support this cause with a book purchase on April 2, or by direct donation March 26 - April 2 at prumc.org/give.

PRAYER

Good Friday Prayer Walk

Friday, April 7, 7:30 - 8:30 am, PRUMC

Bring Lent to a close with a special guided prayer walk led by Rev. Elizabeth Byrd and Rev. Josh Miles. Participants will move though the campus, pray and meditate.

Friday Community Prayer Zoom

Fridays, 7:30 - 7:45 am, Zoom 839 784 08295

Join us for collective prayer led by our clergy in the midst of our Friday Wesley Fast. We will be present together, hear words of encouragement, receive modeled prayers, and prepare for Sunday by reflecting upon the words of scripture.

HOLY WEFK

Palm Sunday Worship

Sunday, April 2, 2023

8:45 am Festival Worship, Sanctuary

10:00 am Chapel Communion

11:15 am Festival Worship, Sanctuary

We begin the most sacred week of the Christian year by commemorating Jesus' triumphant entrance into the Holy City of Jerusalem! Join us for festival worship with palms, procession and special music. Rev. Bill Britt preaching.

Greet & Graze with Jerusalem the Donkey

Sunday, **April 2**, 10:00 – 10:30 am, Near Soccer Field Come meet Jerusalem the donkey before he joins the procession for worship. Jerusalem will be in the grassy area outside the soccer field next to the Rollins building.

Complimentary Palm Sunday Luncheon

Sunday, April 2, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Grace Hall

Join us for a delicious meal and warm fellowship with your church family. Enjoy Coca-cola glazed ham, mac & cheese, green bean salad, rolls and strawberry cake. This meal is complimentary - we look forward to seeing you there!

Holy Week Midday Services

Monday, April 3 - Thursday, April 6

12:00 pm Worship, Moore Chapel

Apr 3 Rev. Mace Hall | William Green, soloist

Apr 4 Rev. Leslie Watkins | Holly McCarren, soloist

Apr 5 Rev. Julie Wright | William Green, soloist

Apr 6 Rev. Darren Hensley | Holly McCarren, soloist

Each day of Holy Week we offer midday moments of reflection and devotion led by our clergy and music staff. Lunch will follow in Grace Hall.

Holy Thursday Choral Eucharist

Thursday, April 6, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary

We commemorate the Last Supper of Jesus Christ when the sacrament of Holy Communion was established. The PRUMC Chancel Choir with Chamber Singers and Chamber Orchestra will present music by Purcell, Lotti and Duruflé. Rev. Josh Miles, preaching.

Good Friday Community Service

Friday, April 7, 12:00 pm, Sanctuary

On this solemn day, our community will recall the suffering and death of our Lord Jesus Christ on the cross at Cavalry. Worship will begin with a silent procession of community ministers carrying a cross in remembrance of Christ's path to his crucifixion. Rev. David F. Richards, III of New Hope A.M.E. Church, preaching.

EASTER

Easter Day Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 9, 6:30 am, Columbarium

You are invited to begin Easter with the historic tradition of the Great Vigil. Just as the first believers did, we will gather outside as dawn begins to break. As light fills the world, we will recognize Jesus' victory over death! We will then process to the chapel for the first service of Easter.

Easter Day Festival Worship

Sunday, April 9, 8:15, 9:45, & 11:15 am, Sanctuary

Join us for a joyful celebration of Jesus' resurrection, and the hope of everlasting life! Festival worship will feature glorious music and an inspiring message. Rev. Bill Britt preaching. Music by The PRUMC Chancel Choir, Atlanta Brassworks, and the Peachtree Carillon. The events of Easter are the core of our faith and we invite you to rejoice with your church family!

Children's Ministry Easter Schedule

Childcare provided for children ages PreK and younger at the 8:15, 9:45, and 11:15 services. Our regular elementary classes will not meet. Children in kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to celebrate the resurrection with their families in worship!

PASTORAL CARE

Caregiver Support Group

Are you caregiver to an adult loved one? We are here to offer support from peers, strategies to reduce caregiver stress, resource information, and shared caregiver experiences. Fore more information, please contact Kassie Roth, Program Manager, Respite Care Atlanta at kroth@spdl.org.

ATTENDANCE

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



LOCAL OUTREACH

The Lenten Offering

We at Peachtree Road have the privilege of helping build a strong local community. When those in need are supported, they can reach their potential, give back, and create a sustaining cycle of hope. Our partners know they can count on us - whether helping those in crisis or creating long-term solutions, PRUMC is on the scene. Please give generously to the Lenten Offering at prumc.org/give. By loving our neighbors we are building a better Atlanta, and world.

"Speak Lord" - The 2023 Lenten Season of Service

Our annual Season of Service is 40 days of helping others in our community. We have great, meaningful outreach projects for all ages and abilities! Make a big impact with small acts of love and service. Sign up at prumc.org/register.

GLOBAL MISSIONS

To learn more about any of these mission opportunities, please contact Dawn Hawkins at dawnh@prumc.org or visit prumc.org/global-missions.

Apr 27 - May 6 Adult Kenya Mission

Early Sept Young Adult Costa Rica Mission

Oct 11 - 22 Adult Georgia Mission

Georgia/Florida Disaster Relief Teams

Serve on brief trips (3-5 days) to help those who have faced devastation and loss from natural disasters. Specific skills are not required. Work includes clearing and sorting through debris to salvage family treasures. Contact Dawn Hawkins at dawnh@prumc.org to learn about this new ministry.

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.



Thank you!