



PEACHTREE ROAD
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

HARVEST SUNDAY
THE NINETEENTH DAY *of* NOVEMBER, 2023

EIGHT FORTY-FIVE AND ELEVEN FIFTEEN O'CLOCK

3180 PEACHTREE ROAD, NE . ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30305 . WWW.PRUMC.ORG

MORNING WORSHIP

NOVEMBER 19, 2023 . 8:45 AM & 11:15 AM

THE GATHERING

CARILLON PRELUDE

Sally Westmoreland

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Sonata from Die Bankelsangerlieder

Daniel Speer

(1636-1707)

The Atlanta Brassworks

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

(sung in procession)

Chant: George S. Talbot

(1875-1918)

Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy temple; praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him for his mighty acts; praise him for his excellent greatness. Praise him with the blast of the ram's horn; praise with lyre and harp. Praise him with timbrel and dance; praise him with strings and pipe. Praise him with resounding cymbals; praise him with loud clanging cymbals. Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Hallelujah!

Psalms 150

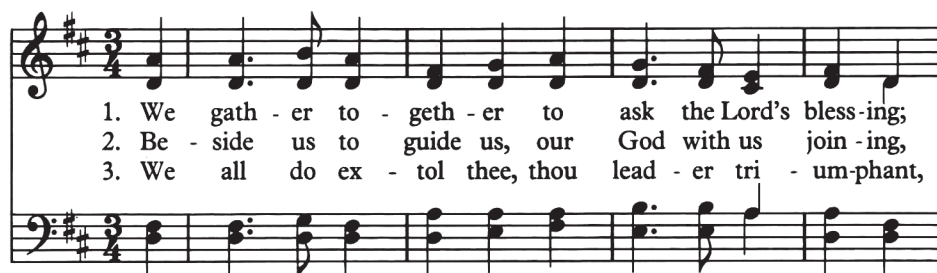
PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

AT THE PROCESSION, *

HYMN 131

We Gather Together

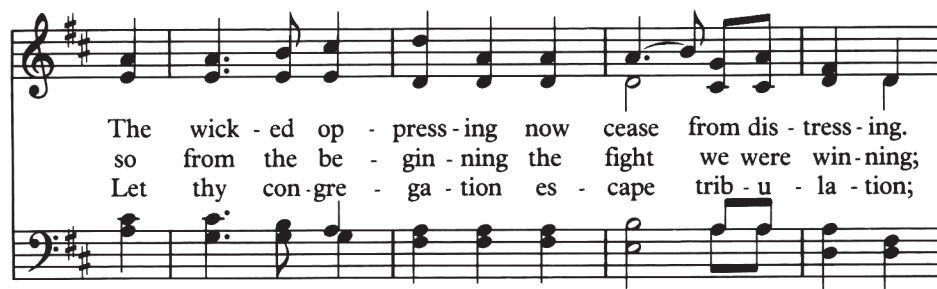
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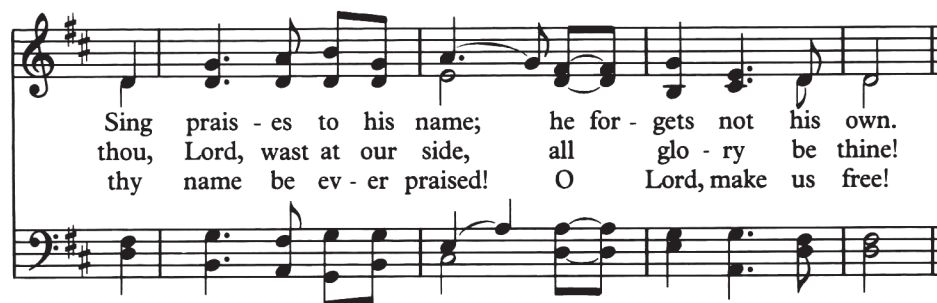
1. We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing;
2. Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing,
3. We all do ex - tol thee, thou lead - er tri - um - phant,



he chas - tens and has - tens his will to make known.
or - dain - ing, main - tain - ing his king - dom di - vine;
and pray that thou still our de - fend - er wilt be.



The wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing.
so from the be - gin - ning the fight we were win - ning;
Let thy con - gre - ga - tion es - cape trib - u - la - tion;



Sing prais - es to his name; he for - gets not his own.
thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glo - ry be thine!
thy name be ev - er praised! O Lord, make us free!

Theodore Baker, 1894

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *

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

Minister and People: Generous God, far too often we take you for granted. The gifts you give to us. The blessings you bestow. The time you spend with us. The people you offer us. The work you entrust to us. The love you give. Forgive us when we do not take time to appreciate all that you do in our lives. Help us to be more thankful. Give us eyes of faith, to see you at work each and every day, so that we may be truly grateful for who you are and for what you do.

Minister: Hear the good news: We belong to the One who clothes us in faith, and hope, and love. Nothing can separate us from the love of God found in Jesus Christ. 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.

**

† *The people are seated.*

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE CONGREGATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

People: **With grateful hearts, we give you thanks.**

Leader: We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

People: **With grateful hearts, we give you thanks.**

Leader: We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

People: **With grateful hearts, we give you thanks.**

Leader: We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

People: **With grateful hearts, we give you thanks.**

Leader: Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

People: **With grateful hearts, we give you thanks.**

Leader: Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things.

People: **With grateful hearts, we give you thanks.**

All: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

AT THE GOSPEL PROCESSION, *

HYMN 694

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

St. George's Windsor

1. Come, ye thank - ful peo - ple, come, raise the song of
2. All the world is God's own field, fruit as praise to
3. For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the
4. E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come, bring thy fi - nal

har - vest home; all is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the
God we yield; wheat and tares to - geth - er sown are to
har - vest home; from the field shall in that day all of -
har - vest home; gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from

win - ter storms be - gin. God our Mak - er doth pro - vide
joy or sor - row grown; first the blade and then the ear,
fens - es purge a - way, giv - ing an - gels charge at last
sor - row, free from sin, there, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied,

for our wants to be sup - plied; come to God's own
then the full corn shall ap - pear; Lord of har - vest,
in the fire the tares to cast; but the fruit - ful
in thy pres - ence to a - bid; come, with all thine

tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home.
grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.
ears to store in the gar - ner ev - er - more.
an - gels, come, raise the glo - rious har - vest home.

THE GOSPEL LESSON *

Luke 17:11-19

† *before the reading:*

Cantor: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

Choir: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

† *following the reading:*

Minister: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

† *following the reading*

SERMON

We Are Grateful for All God's Blessings

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.

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

Come, thou fount of every blessing

Mack Wilberg
(b. 1955)

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love. Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Prone to wander Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood. O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee.

Robert Robinson

The Chancel Choir
Doxology Youth Choir
The Atlanta Brassworks

AT THE PRESENTATION *

Doxology with Alleluias

Tune: *Lasst uns erfreuen*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and
Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

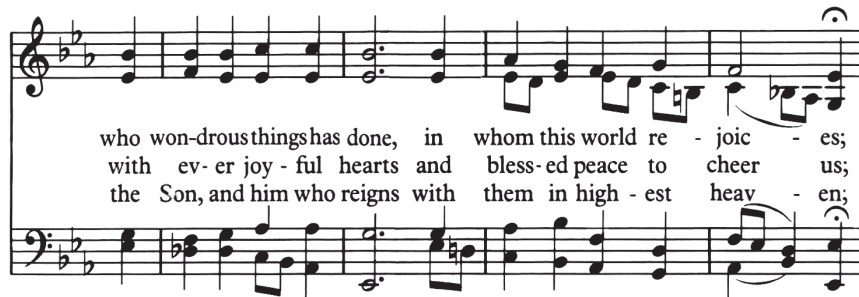
HYMN 102 *

Now Thank We All Our God

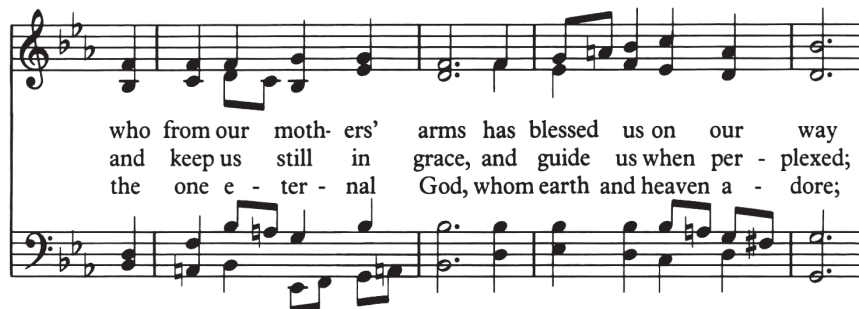
Nun Danket



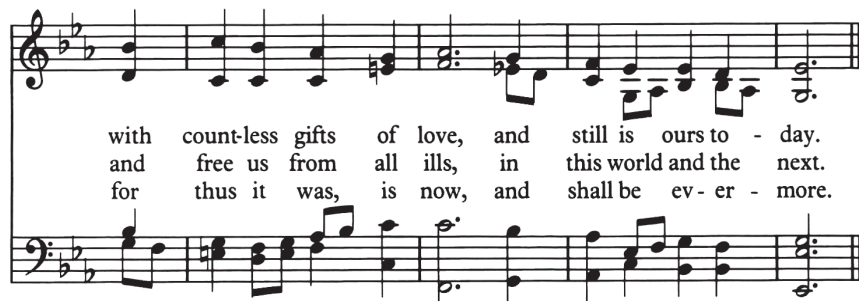
1. Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voice,
2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
3. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given;



who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven;



who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
and keep us still in grace, and guide us when perplexed;
the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore;



with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
and free us from all ills, in this world and the next.
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Martin Rinkart, 1636

SENDING FORTH

BENEDICTION *

PEACE *

Minister: The peace of Christ 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

Now Thank We All Our God

Sigfrid Karg-Elert
(1877-1933)

The Atlanta Brassworks
Oliver Brett, *organ*

* 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: Barbara Stephens by her husband, Richard Stephens, and family.

In Loving Memory of: Sonya Matchan by her ever loving family, Nancy, Christopher, Sarah Chase and George Nunn, Neil Matchan, Garrett Matchan and Linda Munger.

In Thanksgiving for the life of: Joanne Hoffmann by Rev. Betsy Lunz.

In Celebration of the Wedding of: Meredith Kerr and Matt McGanity.

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 17:11-19

Liturgists: Rev. Elizabeth Byrd, *Associate Minister*
Rev. Josh Miles, *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*
Doxology Youth 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, NOVEMBER 19, 2023

TODAY

Harvest Sunday Complimentary Luncheon

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

Join your church family today for warm fellowship and a wonderful Thanksgiving lunch. Enjoy roast turkey, glazed ham, dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, rolls and pumpkin pie. This meal is complimentary in gratitude for all you bring to Peachtree Road. Thank you!

Jingle Jam is Today! Advent Crafts, Dinner and Movie

4:00 pm Crafts & Dinner in Grace Hall (please register)

5:45 pm Movie "Elf" in back turnaround (free & open to all)

Enjoy fellowship, food, and fun to kick off the Advent season! Families will enjoy seasonal crafts and dinner before heading outside for congregational cocoa, popcorn and a viewing of the hit holiday movie "Elf!" Be sure to bring lawn chairs and blankets. \$40 for crafts / Dinner prices on registration page. The movie portion of the evening is free and open to all. Sign up at prumc.org/events for crafts and dinner.

Informational Meeting for 2024 Wesley Heritage Trip

Today, 12:30 pm, C106 / Zoom

All are invited to learn about a new pilgrimage to the land of Methodism's founder. From Oct 22 - 31, 2024 we will explore facets of John Wesley's life in beautiful England. Join us in person or via Zoom Meeting 876 1494 3631. For more information, visit prumc.org/pilgrimages or contact Jamie Jenkins at jamiej@prumc.org.

Many Moods Tickets Available

Tickets for our classic Christmas concert taking place December 17 are complimentary but necessary for seating. Reserve tickets online at prumc.org/music or pick up at the Dogwood Shop or church office. You may also pick up tickets at today's luncheon in Grace Hall.

Boxed Centennial Ornaments

The second ornament in our beautiful Centennial collection is now available! This commemorative piece is a stunning replication of our Sanctuary chancel made of light-catching beveled glass. Purchase as a gift for yourself, or give as a meaningful wedding, baptism or Christmas gift. Ornaments may be purchased online through the Dogwood website at thedogwoodshop.org, and at church functions.

ANNUAL SUPPORT

End of Year Giving / Stock Donations

We are grateful for the generous stock donations the church receives at the end of the year. If you will be making a gift of stock to the church, please email the Business Office (CeceliaO@prumc.org or RogerL@prumc.org) indicating the name of the stock you are donating. Many times, brokers transfer stock to our broker without indicating the donor's name. Your email would assist us in quickly identifying and matching stock donations with the correct donor information. Instructions for making a stock gift can be found at www.prumc.org/give. Thank you!

LOCAL OUTREACH

Harp's Christmas Kindness

At Harp's Christmas Kindness, parents in need can select gifts for their families, with dignity, at no cost to them. During their time here, they are surrounded by the care of loving volunteers, who help them select and wrap their gifts. We would love volunteers for the open shifts **December 3, 4 and 5**. Sign up at prumc.org/events.

Branan Towers Christmas Luncheon

Monday, December 11, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Branan Towers is an affordable housing program of Wesley Woods. Bring festivity and fun to the residents with Christmas carols and a visit from Santa! For more information contact Beth Spencer at beths@prumc.org.

GLOBAL MISSIONS

PRUMC Missions - Shine God's Light

Mission trips allow you to experience your faith in a powerful and transformative way. Come learn more about PRUMC Global Missions at lunch today or at prumc.org/global-missions. The trip is just the beginning!

Fall & Winter Holiday Shopping

Today, 9:30 am - 1:00 pm, The Dogwood Shop

Come down, browse new table settings, hostess gifts, decor and more! We are open Sunday through Friday and all proceeds benefit PRUMC Global Missions. Save the date for the **Jana Fleming Trunk Show** coming **December 3**.

MUSIC & ARTS

The Great Tree Lighting

Sunday, **December 3**, 5:30 pm, Sanctuary

Begin your Advent season with a night of light and wonder! Nearly 100 singers in our five children's and youth choirs will present beautiful Christmas music and narrations in their "Carriers of the Light" program, culminating in the lighting of our Great Chrismon Tree. No RSVP necessary. Childcare available by reservation at prumc.org/events.

Tuba Christmas Coming to Peachtree Road!

Friday, **December 8**, 12:00 pm, Front Turnaround (Peachtree)

This merry band has been performing carols for downtown Atlantans for over 25 years. With our beautiful grounds, and proximity to the Christkindl Market, the tubaists are coming uptown! Please join us for great music, and great fun to get in the Christmas spirit.

Christmas with The Georgia Boy Choir

December 8 & 9, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary

Ring in the Holiday Season with the internationally acclaimed Georgia Boy Choir and orchestra! Enjoy sacred classics, Christmas carols, and well-loved holiday tunes including Atlanta's largest performance of "The Twelve Days of Christmas." Tickets available at georgiaboychoir.org.

Carols by Candlelight

Sunday, **December 10**, 5:30 pm, Sanctuary

Join friends, neighbors, and communities from across the city to sing our favorite Christmas carols. We will finish by singing Silent Night bathed in candlelight and the lights of our Great Chrismon tree. No RSVP necessary. Childcare available by reservation at prumc.org/events.

The Many Moods of Christmas

Sunday, **December 17**, 7:30 pm, Sanctuary

The PRUMC Chancel Choir, soloists and orchestra present our Christmas classic featuring traditional Christmas hymns and moving new settings of familiar carols. This year's program features the world premiere of the full orchestration of Randall Stroope's *Hodie*. Tickets available at the church and at prumc.org/events.

WORSHIP

The Longest Night Prayer Service

Thursday, **December 21**, 7:00 pm, Moore Chapel

If you find the holidays difficult, or if you would like to experience a quiet service of reflection at this time of year, please join us for The Longest Night. This special candlelight service reminds us "the light shines in the darkness and the darkness does not overcome it." John 1:5

Christmas Eve Worship Services

Sunday, **December 24**, Sanctuary

Come celebrate this glorious night with us! Our beautiful services offer meaningful messages and magnificent music. Childcare available for ages 3 and under at the 4:00 and 6:00 pm services.

11:15 am Christmas Service of Holy Communion

A celebration of the Eucharist

4:00 pm Family Candlelight & Pageant

Children's choirs and nativity pageant

6:00 pm Family Candlelight & Pageant

Children's choirs and nativity pageant

8:00 pm Festival of Lessons & Carols

With Chancel Choir & Brass

10:30 pm Festival Choral Eucharist

Eucharist celebration with Chancel Choir & Brass

Sanctuary Guild Volunteers

The Sanctuary Guild ensures that our pews are refreshed, restocked, and looking their best each week. This is a particularly important job during the busy holiday season! The commitment is flexible - about one hour per month, your choice of day. To volunteer, please contact Cathy Ward at ward2579@bellsouth.net.

Flower Ministry Volunteers

Come help repurpose Sunday's flowers into smaller arrangements for everyone to enjoy throughout the week - either around the church or delivered to care facilities. No experience required! We work on Monday mornings. To learn more, contact Susan Franco at sfrancoint@icloud.com.

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



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!



CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Kids' Worship

Sundays, 11:15 am, The Loft

3rd, 4th and 5th graders experience worship with our leaders in the sanctuary and then return to The Loft for an exciting message, meaningful prayer and engaging activities. To join our volunteer team, contact Martha Christopher at marthac@prumc.org.

Drop-In Childcare

Weekdays, 9:15 am - 1:15 pm, Children's Building

We offer flexible, faith-based childcare that includes art, music and play for children ages 4 months to 6 years old. For information, please contact drop-in@prumc.org, or 404.240.8269.

YOUTH

2024 Trip Registrations Are Open!

Step out of your routine, develop deeper relationships and discover who God created you to be! Whether it's sport, retreat or mission, our trips are fun, meaningful and memorable. And your friends are always welcome to join us! Complete information can be found on the registration pages linked to prumc.org/events or prumc.org/youth, but please reach out to the Youth Team with any questions. Early bird rates are available through December 1, but Ski Trip closes November 27.

Jan 12-15 Ski Trip, Breckenridge, CO / Grades 9-12

Feb 2-4 Renovatus Spiritual Retreat, GA / Grades 6-12

Jun 16-23 High School Mission Trip, Belize / Grades 9-12

July 7-12 Middle School Mission Trip, KY / Grades 6-8

Youth Local Outreach at Trinity

Sunday, December 10, Trinity House

PRUMC Youth - come and serve others at this great upcoming outreach event. For more information, contact Dory Hatchett at doryh@prumc.org.

Youth - 1/99

Sundays, 5:00 pm, Harp Center

All 7th-12th grade students and friends are invited to join us for worship, small groups, dinner, and games each Sunday.

YOUNG ADULTS

Christmas Brunch and Stained-Glass Window Tour

Sunday, December 17, 9:45 am, Hospitality Suite

Celebrate the season with a festive brunch! Afterward, we will enjoy a tour of our beautiful stained-glass windows led by Marcia Gaddis. Please RSVP at prumc.org/events.

ADULTS

Day Trip to The Temple

Tuesday, November 28, 9:30 am Departure from Rollins

Join us for a guided tour of The Temple, founded in 1867 and located just down Peachtree Street. We will learn about the synagogue, its history, and American-Judaism. Lunch will be self-pay at a local restaurant. Please RSVP to Heather C. Holdridge at 404.240.8302 or heatherch@prumc.org.

Seasoned Saints Jingle Bingo

Wednesdays, December 6, 1:00 pm, C106

Please bring a \$5 wrapped gift/prize and RSVP to Heather C. Holdridge at 404.240.8302 or heatherch@prumc.org if you plan to attend.

Night Trip to Zoo Atlanta for Illuminights

Thursday, December 14, 4:30 pm Departure from Rollins

Join us to marvel at Zoo Atlanta's Chinese Lantern Festival, with glowing displays of real and imaginary wildlife. Self-pay dinner at a local restaurant, then nighttime exploration of the wondrous exhibit. Bring \$20 for admission. Please RSVP to Heather C. Holdridge, heatherch@prumc.org or 404.240.8302.

MEN

Men's Breakfast with Adam Pannell

Thursday, December 7, 7:00 - 8:00 am, Heritage Hall

Join the men of PRUMC for breakfast, networking, and an inspirational testimony by Adam Pannell. A seasoned executive and active volunteer, Adam has experienced many nudges by God to be in service to others. Join us to learn how to recognize and respond to God's voice speaking to *you*. Details and registration at prumc.org/events.

CENTENNIAL STORYBOOK

Peachtree Storybook - A New Chapter Emerges!

Growth and Innovation - 1953-1978

"We begin a new era of church history - 1953-1978. While pages could be written about the growth of Peachtree Road during these twenty-five years, the goal of Storybook is to share the major events in a way that gives you, the reader, a summary of those amazing years." Please join us on a capsule tour of these new decades of Peachtree Road life. "These years of faith, love, work, tears, and laughter produced a loyal congregation who were ready to accept the enlarging opportunities before them." Please read all about it at PeachtreeRoadStorybook.org!