



PEACHTREE ROAD

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY
THE TWENTY-FOURTH DAY *of* MARCH, 2024

EIGHT FORTY-FIVE AND ELEVEN FIFTEEN O'CLOCK

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MORNING WORSHIP

MARCH 24, 2024 . 8:45 AM & 11:15 AM

THE GATHERING

CARILLON PRELUDE

Sally Westmoreland

THE GREAT LITANY IN PROCESSION FOR PALM SUNDAY (10:55 am)

† The procession arrives at the door to the nave

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: Hosanna to the Son of David! Hosanna in the highest!

People: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest! Let us worship God.

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

AT THE GREAT PROCESSION, *

HYMN 280

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

St. Theodulph

(stanzas one, two, and three)

THE GOSPEL LESSON *

Mark 11:1-11

† following the reading

Minister: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

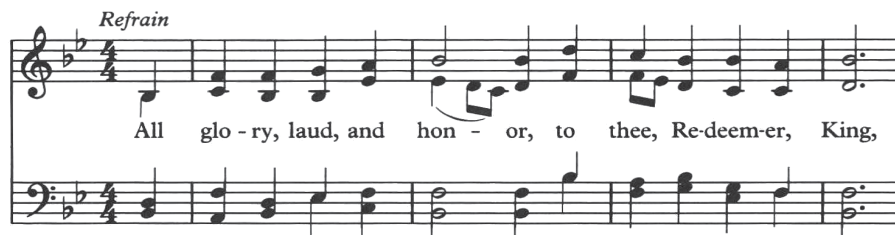
HYMN 280 *

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

St. Theodulph

(stanzas four and five)

Refrain

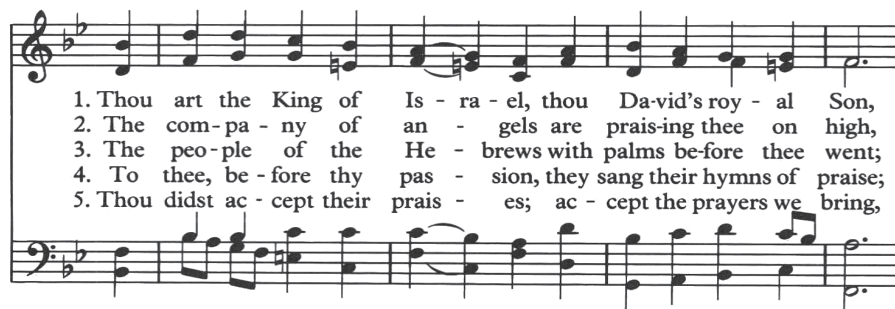


All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or, to thee, Re-deem-er, King,

Fine

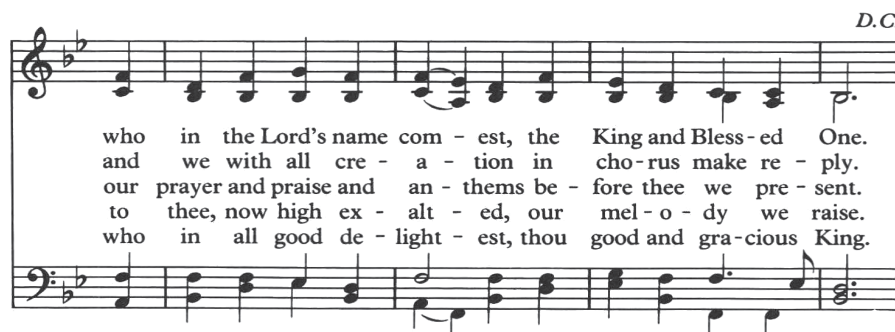


to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



1. Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da-vid's roy - al Son,
2. The com-pa - ny of an - gels are prais-ing thee on high,
3. The peo-ple of the He - brews with palms be-fore thee went;
4. To thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
5. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

D.C.



who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.
and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.
our prayer and praise and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

Theodulph of Orleans, 8-9th century

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *

Minister: Let us confess our sins to God.

Minister and People: Lord, we confess that the journey is long, and our souls are troubled. It is difficult to follow you. Now we come to the time of entrance into the Holy City. In your passion and death, we are confronted with our own fears and mortality. We'd rather change the subject. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to look again at the many ways we can be a blessing to others, through serving them and you. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. 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.*

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† The people are seated.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Lo, He comes

John D. Horman
(b. 1946)

Lo, He comes, sing we Hosanna! Let us sing to the Lord. Enter his gates with shouts of thanksgiving, into his courts with songs of praise. Come, let us march in glad procession. Loud Hosannas now we raise. Open your heart and welcome the savior, join with the song that has no end. This is the day for which we have waited, the coming of the Lord is surely at hand. Lo, he comes, let us sing to the Lord!

Combined Children's Choirs

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:15 AM)

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

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, Messiah

G.F. Handel
(1685-1759)

Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of Glory shall come in. Who is this King of Glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. Who is this King of Glory? The Lord of Hosts, He is the King of Glory.

The Chancel Choir
The Doxology Youth Choir
Chamber Orchestra

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 *

Mark 14: 32-52

† *following the reading*

Minister: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

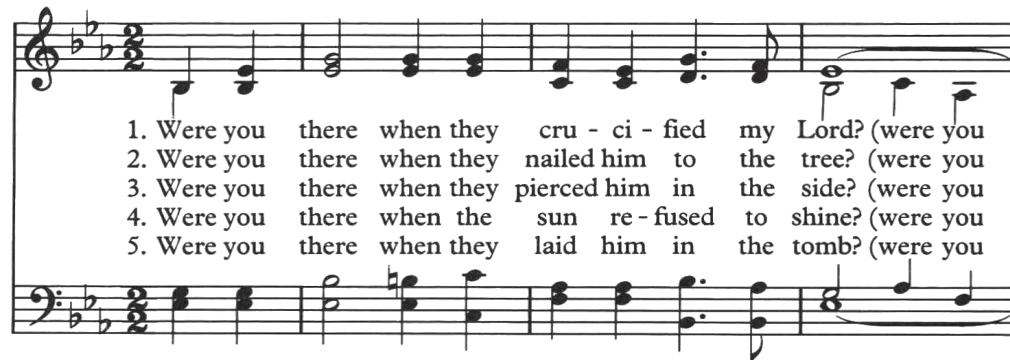
SERMON

Rekindling the Flames of Our Faith: Faithful to the End

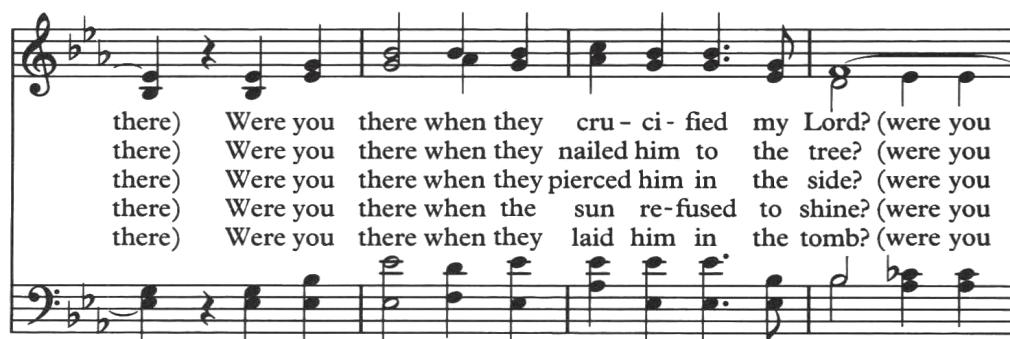
RESPONSE TO THE WORD

HYMN 288 *

Were You There



1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? (were you
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (were you
3. Were you there when they pierced him in the side? (were you
4. Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine? (were you
5. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (were you



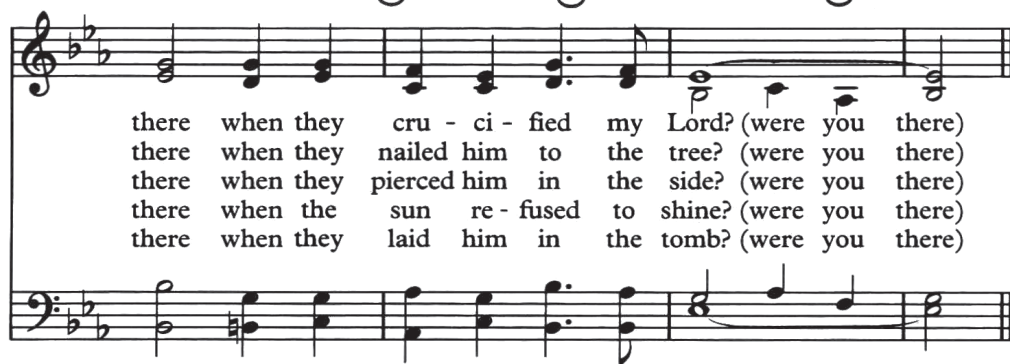
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there) Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (were you



Refrain
there) Oh! some-times it caus - es



me to trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble. Were you



there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? (were you there)
there when they nailed him to the tree? (were you there)
there when they pierced him in the side? (were you there)
there when the sun re - fused to shine? (were you there)
there when they laid him in the tomb? (were you there)

SENDING FORTH

BENEDICTION *

PEACE *

Minister: The peace of the Christ 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

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Larghetto, Allegro, Concerto in F, HWV 295

G.F. Handel

“The Cuckoo and the Nightingale”

(1685-1759)

Oliver Brett, *organ*

Chamber Orchestra

* 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: James Ryan Marietta by Letsa Doster Marietta, children and grandchildren.

In Loving Memory of: Beverly Johnson Pritchard on what would have been her 94th birthday by her family, Holly, Tom, Elizabeth and Emily Pritchard.

In Honor of: the Andrew Gladden family for bringing me to PRUMC by their dad, John R. Runningen, new member.

In Honor of: Carolyn and Fred Broce 55th anniversary on March 29th by their children, Allen Broce and Karen and Frank May.

In Celebration of the Wedding of: Kay Crawford and Steven Carroll.

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*
Mark 14: 32-52

Liturgists: Rev. Josh Miles, *Associate Minister*
Rev. Elizabeth Byrd, *Associate Minister*

Verger: 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, *Assistant Organist*
Children's Choirs
Doxology Youth Choir
The Chancel Choir

Chamber Orchestra:

Carolyn Hancock, Helen Kim, Jay Christy, Ginny Fairchild, *violin*
Yinzi Kong, *viola*, David Hancock, *cello*, Daniel Tancredi, *bass*

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 24, 2024

TODAY

Greet & Graze with Jerusalem the Donkey

Today, 10:00 – 10:30 am, Near Soccer Field

Come meet Jerusalem the donkey before he joins the procession for worship.

Palm Sunday Fellowship Luncheon

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

Join us for a delicious meal and warm fellowship with your church family. Enjoy glazed ham, mac & cheese, green bean salad, rolls and strawberry cake. This meal is complimentary.

HOLY WEEK

Holy Week Midday Services

Monday, March 25 - Thursday, March 28

12:00 pm Worship, Moore Chapel

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, **March 28**, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary

Commemorate the Last Supper of Jesus Christ when the sacrament of Holy Communion was established. PRUMC Chancel Choir with Chamber Singers and Chamber Orchestra will present music by Fauré and Lotti.

Good Friday Community Service

Friday, **March 29**, 12:00 pm, Cathedral of Christ the King
2699 Peachtree Rd, Atlanta, GA 30305

PRUMC will participate in the Good Friday prayer service of the Christian churches of Buckhead to remember the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. Reflections will be given by the ministers of our faith communities and all are welcome.

Easter Cross of Flowers

Saturday, **March 30**, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm, Front of Church
Help decorate our beautiful Easter Cross on the front lawn. Bring flowers and flowering branches to create a stunning symbol of the resurrection for all to enjoy. Volunteers will receive your cuttings in the front turnaround (Peachtree Road) this Saturday. Thank you!

Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

Saturday, **March 30**, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, Grace Hall
Join us for a bounce house, train rides, a petting zoo, and a visit from the Easter bunny! Egg hunts begin at 10:30 am.

EASTER

Easter Day Sunrise Service

Sunday, **March 31**, 6:30 am, Columbarium

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, **March 31**, 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 Lenten Offering

The financial support we provide our local outreach agencies comes from special offerings outside of the church's annual operating budget. Our Lenten Offering is our most important "ask" of the year for our partners, enabling them to deeply help others. It is also considered one of the church's Lenten spiritual disciplines we practice together. Please prayerfully consider your contribution and make a gift online now, or use the offering card and envelope available in our bulletin on **Easter Day, March 31**. Thank you!

PRAYER

Prayer Ministry Volunteer Invitation

We are dedicated to supporting others in their time of need and bringing them God's grace and peace through the power of prayer. Prayer ministry volunteers share their time each week praying for those who have experienced loss, brokenness, and personal crisis. For more information, and to volunteer, please contact Rev. Josh Miles at 404.240.8270 or joshm@prumc.org.

WORSHIP GUILDS

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! To volunteer for this flexible commitment, please contact Cathy Ward at ward2579@bellsouth.net.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Parent-Led Feedback Session

Today, 9:45 - 10:45 am, Hospitality Suite

Parents with young children are invited to a listening session hosted by the Search Committee for our new Children's Ministry Director. Come share your feedback and insights so that our Children's Ministry can thrive well into the future.

Baby Day is Sunday, April 7

On this special day, all babies born to church members between March 1, 2023 and February 28, 2024 will be honored at the 11:15 am worship service. If you have welcomed a new baby during these dates and have not yet shared the happy news with the church, please contact Natalie Bennett at natalieb@prumc.org. We look forward to celebrating with you!

Summer Camp Registration Now Open!

Sign up for summer camps now at prumc.org/events.

Family Mission Camp | June 10 – 12

For ages completed K through 5th grade & a parent

Vacation Bible School | June 17 – 20

For ages 4 (as of 9/1/24) – 5th grade

Drop-In Childcare

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

Drop-In Childcare provides flexible art and faith-based care for children from four months through six years of age in a safe, loving environment while parents take a break. For more information, contact the Drop-In office at 404.240.8269 or drop-in@prumc.org.

YOUTH & FAMILIES

Youth & Families Mental Wellness Forum

Sunday, April 28, 10:00 am, Harp Center

Dr. Nina Bass, Professor of Behavioral Science at Emory University School of Medicine will present "Family Communication & Mental Health in the New Roaring Twenties." This event is open to all ages.

Senior Recognition

Sunday, April 28, 11:15 service

Our high school seniors will announce their post-graduation plans in worship and enjoy refreshments afterward. Seniors, please RSVP at prumc.org/events by **April 10**.

Middle School Mission Trip to Frakes, KY

July 7-12, Grades 6-8 | Register by May 22

PRUMC youth mission trips are fun, meaningful and memorable. And your friends are always welcome to join us! Complete information and registration at prumc.org/events.

ADULTS

Day Trip to Bitzel's Chocolate

Tuesday, April 9, 10:15 am departure from Rollins

Come explore the largest artisan chocolate factory in the Southeast. The tour cost is \$20, and lunch is self-pay. RSVP to Heather C. Holdridge at heatherch@prumc.org or 404.240.8302.

Seasoned Saints Wednesday Programs

Wednesdays, 1:00 pm, C106

Join us for fun, fellowship, and enriching midweek programs. On Bingo days, bring a \$5 themed prize to share.

Apr 3 Easter Bingo!

Apr 17 Movie: *What'll Ya Have: A History of the Varsity*
RSVP to Heather C. Holdridge at heatherch@prumc.org or 404.240.8302.

WOMEN

Women's Retreat Led by Kristin Vincent

Register by Monday, March 25

April 12 & 13, Heritage Retreat Center, Sharon, GA

Join us for an intentional time apart focusing on renewed abundance through spiritual practices, individual reflection and fellowship together. Itinerary, lodging details and registration at prumc.org/events. Scholarships available. For more information, contact Rev. Elizabeth Byrd at elizabethb@prumc.org.

MEN

Father-Child Camping Trip

April 27 & 28 with optional **April 26** add-on, Camp Glisson

All fathers, kids, grandfathers and grandkids are invited to enjoy great fellowship with PRUMC and Cascade UMC in the North Georgia mountains. We will enjoy campfires, stories, meals, games, hikes, worship and a cool service project! Equipment available. Sign up now at prumc.org/events. Questions? Contact Rev. Geoff Beakley at geoffb@prumc.org.

PRUMC Men's Small Groups

Are you looking to join a men's Bible study and fellowship group? We have 5 groups that meet weekly or bi-weekly! For more information or to join a group, contact Rev. Geoff Beakley at geoffb@prumc.org.

Mondays with Jeremy Garlington | 7:15 am, C106

Wednesdays with Rev. Geoff Beakley | 7:00 am, C106

Thursdays with Rev. Geoff Beakley | 7:00 am, C106

Fridays with Michael Solis | 7:00 am, A101

1st & 3rd Fridays with Chris Blackmon | 8:00 am, C106

MUSIC & ARTS

Three Choirs Festival

Thursday, **April 4**, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary

Enjoy a collaborative, diverse and inspiring musical exchange with the talented singers of the Georgia State University Singers, Emory University Concert Choir, and UGA Hodgson Singers. \$15 suggested concert donation / \$5 for students.

Children's Choirs: Celebrating Promises Kept!

Saturday, **April 20**, 11:00 am, Harp Center Auditorium

Our wonderful PRUMC children's choirs are hard at work on their latest annual musical, and they are excited to present it to you! Promise University dramatizes some of the most famous followers of Christianity from the last 2,000 years, conveying their stories with joy and wonderful music. Please plan to join us! Admission is complimentary.

Midday Music in May

Wednesdays, **May 1 - 22**, 1:00 pm, Sanctuary

Enjoy 30-minute lunchtime organ recitals featuring the best of Atlanta's organists who will share in the celebration of The Great Organ of Peachtree Road. Admission is free.

Kinnara Presents: Immortal Bach

Friday, **May 3**, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary

This special program pays tribute to the timeless works of J.S. Bach, and the lasting impact of his musical inheritance and legacy. Experience the brilliance of Bach and other master composers on this special evening. Tickets at kinnara.org.

Doxology Mother's Day Concert

Sunday, **May 12**, 10:00 am, Grace Hall

Our youth singers have been refining their choir tour repertoire and are excited to present their program in a special preview concert. Please join us in support of our talented young musicians!

Elizabeth B. Stephens International Organ Competition

Save the Date: June 17 - 19, 2024

Organists from around the globe will compete and be judged by some of the world's finest performers.

CENTENNIAL

Ascend! The Doves of Peachtree Road

In November of this year, Peachtree Road will present a once-in-a-lifetime experience to commemorate our centennial. Thousands of white, origami doves will ascend through the sacred space of our sanctuary - starting from the back balcony, soaring through the nave, and rising up through the cupola. The doves will fly from November 2024 through June 2025 and there will be an opportunity to purchase them in honor or memory of someone beginning this April. We look forward to sharing this incredible work of art with our congregation and community!

EQUAL JUSTICE

Equal Justice Initiative Group Experience

April 26-27, Montgomery, AL

Come learn, discern, fellowship, and grow through this powerful shared experience with PRUMC and Cascade UMC. This immersive trip will include three important sites - The Legacy Museum, The National Memorial for Peace and Justice, and The Rosa Parks Museum. Details and registration at prumc.org/events. For more information, contact Rev. Josh Miles at joshm@prumc.org.

GLOBAL MISSIONS

Family Mission Trip to Guatemala

December 27, 2024 to January 2, 2025

Join other PRUMC families to help locals build their own home from start to finish. There will also be opportunities to spend time with the children of Mimi's House orphanage. No experience required. Learn more and access the registration portal at prumc.org/guatemala.

Dogwood Shop Trunk Show: Camille & Co.

Sunday, **April 14**, 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

Save the date to stock up on summer frocks as we present a stunning, spring trunk show from Camille & Co.

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!

