



PEACHTREE ROAD
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
THE TWENTY-SIXTH DAY *of* APRIL, 2026

TEN O'CLOCK

3180 PEACHTREE ROAD, NE . ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30305
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MORNING WORSHIP
THE MOORE CHAPEL
APRIL 26, 2026 . 10:00 AM

THE GATHERING

CARILLON PRELUDE

Sally Westmoreland

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Adagio, Concerto in a minor, BWV 582

J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)
(after Vivaldi)

THE GREETING

We welcome each of you to this service!
We pray that this time together will be a blessing in your life.

THE CHORAL INTROIT

arr. Richard Proulx
(1937-2010)

Rise up in early morning; Sing of the risen Savior. Sing tidings of salvation with
alleluias ringing: *In cymbalis bene sonantibus.*

St. John Damascene
(676-749)

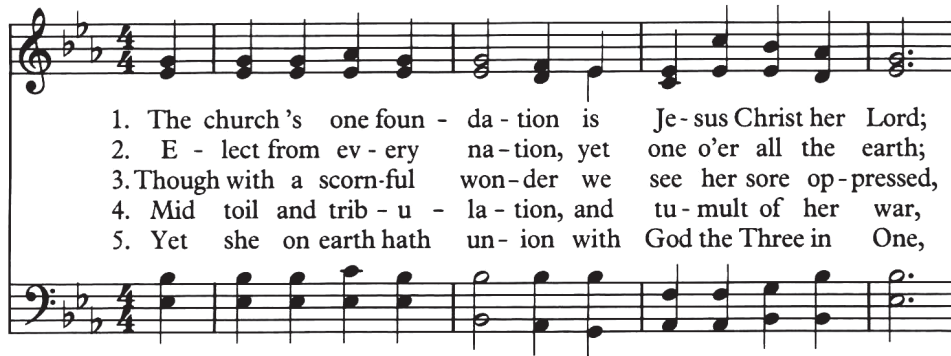
PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

AT THE PROCESSION, *

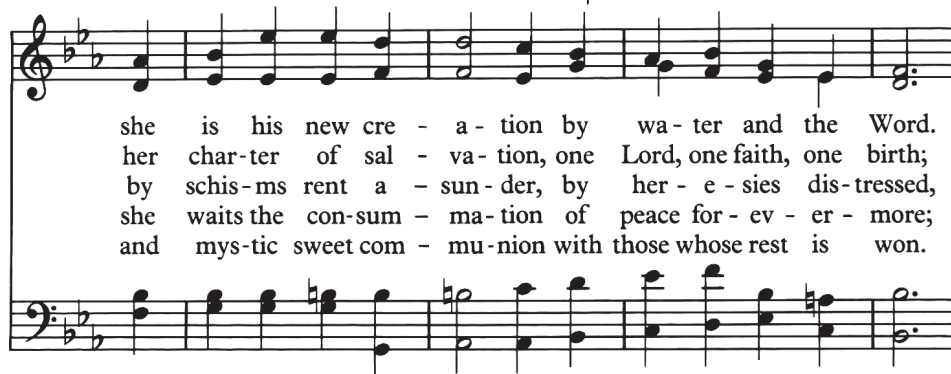
HYMN 545

The Church's One Foundation

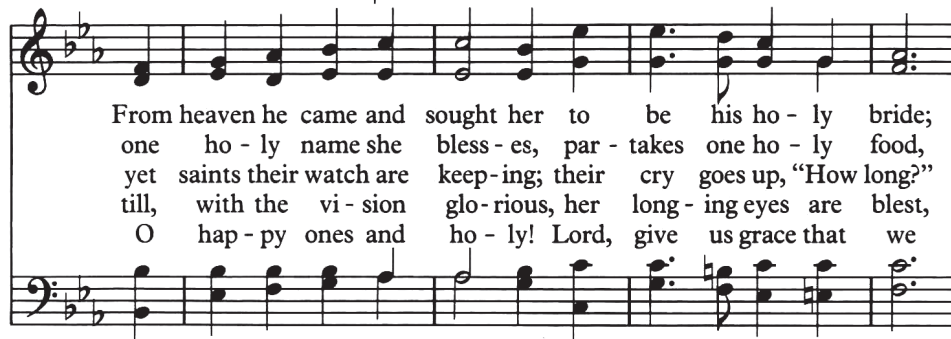
Aurelia



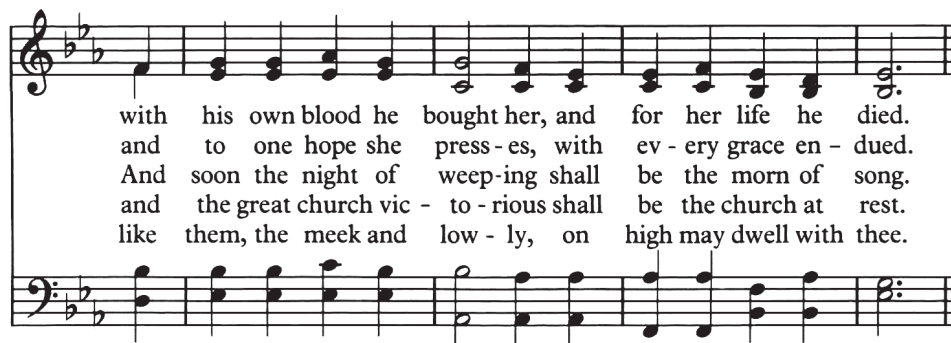
1. The church's one founda - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
2. E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth;
3. Though with a scorn - ful won - der we see her sore op - pressed,
4. Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war,
5. Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God the Three in One,



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the Word.
her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
by schis - ms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up, "How long?"
till, with the vi - sion glo - rious, her long - ing eyes are blest,
O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.
And soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

Samuel J. Stone, 1866

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *

Minister: Let us confess our sins to God.

Minister and People: God of wisdom and grace, we confess the foolishness of our ways and our failure to follow you in your paths of right relationships—with you and with others. We have gone astray and we feel lost. We have upheld our own interests first, to the detriment of others around us. We have failed to be generous with the poor and we often abandon our efforts to bring about justice. Forgive us, we pray. Have mercy on us according to your steadfast love. Cleanse us of our sin and help us to live more faithfully as your servants.

Minister: Hear the good news: Jesus is the good shepherd. There is nowhere you can go and nothing you can do that will keep the good shepherd from coming after you in 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.

PASSING OF THE PEACE *

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† *The people are seated.*

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE CONGREGATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Church...

For peace in our world...

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer...

For this congregation...

all who have commended themselves to our prayers...

† *Following each petition, the minister says, We pray to you, O Lord.*

The people respond: Lord, hear our prayer.

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.

ANTHEM

Swell the full chorus, Solomon

G.F. Handel
(1685-1759)

Swell the full chorus to sound the Lord's praise. For God is our King, the Sun of our days, Flow sweetly the numbers that dwell in His Name, and rouse the whole nation in songs to His Fame.

Schola Cantorum

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 *

John 10:1-10

† following the reading:

Minister: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

The Way to Abundant Life

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

HYMN 381 *

Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Bradbury

1. Sav - ior, like a shep-herd lead us, much we
 2. We are thine, thou dost be - friend us, be the
 3. Thou hast prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and
 4. Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor, ear - ly

need thy ten - der care; in thy pleas - ant pas - tures
 guard - ian of our way; keep thy flock, from sin de -
 sin - ful though we be; thou hast mer - cy to re -
 let us do thy will; bless - ed Lord and on - ly

feed us, for our use thy folds pre - pare.
 fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.
 lieve us, grace to cleanse and power to free.
 Sav - ior, with thy love our bos - oms fill.

bought us, thine we are. Bless - ed Je - sus,
 hear us when we pray. Bless - ed Je - sus,
 ear - ly turn to thee. Bless - ed Je - sus,
 loved us, love us still. Bless - ed Je - sus,

bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
 bless - ed Je - sus! Hear, O hear us when we pray.
 bless - ed Je - sus! We will ear - ly turn to thee.
 bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast loved us, love us still.

attr. To Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1836

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

Fantasia in g minor

Johann Pachelbel
(1653-1706)

* 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.

Preaching: Rev. Elizabeth Byrd, *Associate Minister*

Liturgists: Rev. Josh Miles, *Associate Minister*

Music: Scott Atchison, *Director of Music and Organist,*
Oak Martin, *Associate Organist and Choirmaster*
Dr. Robin Hensley, *Assistant Organist*
Schola Cantorum

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

BABY DAY
APRIL 26, 2026

Today, during 11:15 worship, Peachtree Road celebrates every child born or adopted into our church family between March 1, 2025, through February 28, 2026. A donation to Sponsor-A-Child through our Georgia-for-Georgia partnership has been made by The Women of Peachtree Road United Methodist Church in honor of each child born this year. Reverend Bill Britt will offer a special blessing for the babies. Thanks be to God for the gift of children.



“I have called you by name, you are mine.”

Isaiah 43:1

Mary Esther Alexander
Beverly Rose Chenyunxi Bennett
Bridget Halle Brown
Charlotte Louise Calcagno
Thomas Houghton Cumiskey
William Woods Dittmer
James Hadley Douglas
Braden Wesley Earle
Hayes Fraser Ellison
Lane Fendler
Victoria Lillian Fite
Anderson Paul Garcia
Kenneth Milton Goins
Bonnie Bowers Green
Lillian Elizabeth Greenspan
Everleigh Gunter
Collier Bell Hartman
Orion Bradley Haynes
John Hamilton Heckle
Avery Henderson
William Thompson Hill
Vaughn Elizabeth Jackson
Benson Daniel Keith
Collins Grace Kennedy
Nikolai Adler Kuzman
Rhodes Henry Langley
James Salyer Letson

Fred William Liddell
Benjamin Majors
Korra Ellis Mancini
Anna Katherine Meeks
River David Miles
Brody Michael Mitchell
Merritt Henry Morelli
Micah Linathi Ndlovu
Elizabeth Brooks Neblett
Louis Derrick Poulin
Hayes Millard Reddish
Harrison Daniel Reddish
Madeline Elizabeth Reynolds
Remington Ruth Rollins
Emerson Trice Rush
Landon Caroline Sands
Owen George Semmens
Stella Grace Steward
Joseph Bryan Stickney VI
Collins Elizabeth Sullivan
William Emmett Underwood
Margaret Lee Vidal
Emma Clare Viglotti
Eloise Frances Weathington
William Bedingfield Wedge
Edward Willis
Mills Ray Woodard

CONFIRMATION

APRIL 26, 2026

On this day, we celebrate a meaningful milestone in the lives of our 2026 Confirmation Class as they officially join the church as full members. Over the past year, these young people have engaged in study, reflection, and conversation, exploring what it means to live out their faith with intention and purpose. Through their journey, they have asked thoughtful questions, built lasting relationships, and grown in their understanding of God's love and their place within the church.

Today, they come forward to make a public profession of faith, affirming their commitment to follow Christ and to participate fully in the life of this community. We give thanks for each of them—for their unique gifts, their energy, and the ways they already enrich our shared life. As they take this important step, we invite you to join us in celebrating their commitment, offering your prayers and encouragement as we continue to walk together in faith.



“I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.” Psalm 32:8

Camille Elaine Allen
Ridge Thoma Blackwood
Lily Mack Brady
Ryland Walter Boomershine
Penelope Dana Childers
Sallie McKnight Cox
Grant Douglas Cummings
George Mathison Glenn
Robert Brandsford Glenn IV
John Harris Grant
George Philip Houston
Meredith Caroline Hughes
Matthew Joseph Irby
Phillips Elizabeth Kindregan
Ada Claire Krejci
Ella Paige Kurban
Jack Marco
Mary Camp McCamy

Paige Elizabeth McLellan
William Craig Moore
Mari Brooks Morris
Davis Barnard Murphy
Gordon Parker Murray
Anne Claiborne Rainer
Anne Lazenby Reid
Sebastian Andres Rodriguez
Garnett Sanders
Mary Elliott Shell
Bea Marie Sinitiere
Andrew Easterby Sipp
Elizabeth Mobley Smith
Hodgens Smith
Hadley Michelle Tongel
Wade Revels Trossevin
Henry Benton Walker
Reynolds Ellis Walker

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

APRIL 26, 2026

We celebrate our high school seniors as they mark this important milestone and prepare for the next chapter of their lives. In worship, they will share their post-graduation plans, and we give thanks for the ways they have grown in faith and contributed to our church community. We offer our prayers and encouragement as they step forward with hope, purpose, and trust in God's leading.



“For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.” Jeremiah 29:11

Jackson Pierce Apgar
Timothy Barman
Addie Barry
Julia Madison Batchelor
Tessa Brinson
Claire Elizabeth Busby
Maggie Carpenter
Blair Carter
Rodes Myers Cole, Jr.
Max Cook
Harper Crandall
Bennett Cummings
Landon Cummings
Alexander Conroy Diffley
Rutherford Buchanan Diffley
Benjamin Franklin Easterlin, VI
Louella Meadows Easterlin
Mills Edgecombe
Iris Mae Hamilton
Chambless Hawk
William Holmes
Reese Edith Honeycutt
Lilian Brooks Hudson
Mary Elizabeth Johnson
Davis E. Kennedy
Rachel Audrey Kercher
Reese Klarman
Bryan Rankin Knox
Thomas Konradt

Bradley Mildred Koontz
Kathleen Mattison
Josh McCullough
Maggie Meeks
Mary Kathryn Noble
Charlie Osborne
MacKenzie Ottinger
Alexa Patton
Augie Peters
Spencer Phillips
Frank Reese, Jr.
Reese Caroline Richardson
Celia Ridley Sands
Margaret Callaway Sands
Ansley Sgrosso
Sally Ruth Sipp
Finlay Smith
Emily Stathopoulos
Miles Stibbs
Gabrielle Sullivan
Jack Tobias
Jack Guillermo Velarde
Whit Webb
William Baker Weeden
Caroline Werdesheim
George Meriwether White
Durham Wade Williams
Philip Hamilton Williams
Benjamin Bostick Yarbrough

WELCOME TO PEACHTREE ROAD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

We are glad you are with us today! **Please check in** to help us keep in touch with our faith community. Sign in using the red pads in your pew or check in with one click on the PRUMC App.

APRIL 26, 2026



TODAY

Confirmation

Today, 10:00 am, Sanctuary

On this day, our 2026 Confirmation Class will officially join the church as full members. After a year of study and reflection, these young people will make a public commitment to follow Christ.

Baby Day

Today, 11:15 am, Sanctuary

All babies born to church members between March 1, 2025, and February 28, 2026, will be honored at the 11:15 am worship service. Immediately after the presentation of babies in worship, their families will meet in Heritage Hall for a complimentary brunch and program.

Senior Recognition

Today, 11:15 am, Sanctuary

PRUMC high school seniors will announce their post-graduation plans in worship and enjoy refreshments afterward.

IF YOU ARE NEW

Tea with the Clergy

Sunday, **May 17**, 12:30 - 2:00 pm, Hospitality Suite

Get to know our church and ministers better at this casual afternoon gathering. Rev. Bill Britt and the clergy team 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 Brittany Charron at brittanyc@prumc.org.

Take a Tour of Peachtree Road

Sunday, **May 17**, 10:00 am, Heritage Hall

Join us for a campus tour and a brief overview of the ministries and offerings at Peachtree Road. This is a great opportunity to get connected, ask questions, and discover all the ways you can be involved.

MUSIC & ARTS

Music Sunday at Peachtree Road

Next Sunday, **May 3**, 8:45, 10:00, and 11:15 am

From the voices of our choirs to the sound of brass and organ, music offers a way to experience worship in a rich, meaningful way. We invite you to enjoy the beauty of this ministry on Sunday, May 3, as we celebrate the gift of music in our faith community.

Music Sunday Fellowship Luncheon

Next Sunday, **May 3**, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Grace Hall

Join us for a delicious meal and warm fellowship following worship on this day. This complimentary meal will feature BBQ chicken, herb potato salad, broccoli salad, cheddar biscuits, and cupcakes. Join us!

Doxology Youth Choir Concert

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

This special pre-tour concert, *Journey of Faith, Pathway of Love*, is a moving musical experience that weaves together beloved hymns, heartfelt anthems, and joyful spirituals. Come encourage these talented young musicians and enjoy their program of faith, hope, and praise. No RSVP necessary.

Midday Music in May

Wednesdays, **May 6 - 27**, 1:00 pm, Sanctuary

Enjoy 30-minute lunchtime organ recitals by the talented organists of Atlanta. Free and open to the public.

May 6 Chase Loomer, Cathedral of St. Philip

May 13 Nick Joslin, Saint Mark UMC

May 20 Oak Martin, Peachtree Road UMC

May 27 Tom Bara, First Presbyterian Church

WORSHIP

Pentecost Sunday

Sunday, **May 24**, 8:45, 10:00, and 11:15 am

On Pentecost, we celebrate the day the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples—filling them with courage, purpose, and a renewed sense of God's presence. Join us for worship as we reflect on the ways God's Spirit continues to move among us today—bringing life, unity, and hope.

SCAN TO GIVE ONLINE



Scan this QR code to make a secure online gift to support the ministries of PRUMC (prumc.org/give).

SCAN TO REGISTER ONLINE

Scan this QR code to access online registrations for PRUMC events (prumc.org/register).



ONE LAMB MENTAL WELLNESS

Mental Health Awareness Lunch & Learn Series

Thursdays, **May 7 - 28**, 12:00 pm, Zoom

Join us for a new wellness series, where trusted clinical professionals will cover relevant topics each week. For complete details and Zoom link, visit prumc.org/register.

May 7 *Embracing Rest in a Restless World*
Dr. Ryan Bonfiglio, Candler School of Theology

May 14 *Spirituality and Mental Health*
Dr. Andrea DeWalt, PRUMC Pastoral Counseling

May 21 *The Power of Relationships*
Rev. Grace Guyton

May 28 *The Healing Power of Creativity*
Helen Goldberg & McKenzie Williams, Skyland Trail

Mindful Art Workshop

Wednesday, **May 20**, 2:00 pm, St. Luke's Presbyterian
1978 Mt Vernon Rd, Dunwoody, GA, 30338

This meditative practice bridges the conscious and unconscious mind, creates new neural pathways, and leaves the practitioner with a sense of renewed calm. No registration or experience required. All supplies are provided at this free workshop.

Midweek Yoga with Emily Miles

Wednesdays, **June 17 - July 8**, 12:45 pm, C208

This 4-week series will help you increase flexibility, strength, and mental wellness. No experience is necessary. RSVP at prumc.org/register.

Wellness Weekly

Receive curated content for your mind, body, and spirit straight to your inbox each week. It's the perfect place to begin taking steps toward wellness without feeling overwhelmed. Visit prumc.org/register to subscribe.

Financial Assistance Available

The One Lamb Initiative offers confidential scholarships to support mental health care, including counseling through our Pastoral Care Counseling Service. Apply at 1lamb.org.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Fifth Grade Lock In!

Friday, **May 1**, 5:00 pm - Saturday, **May 2**, 7:00 am, The Loft
Fifth graders - wrap up your last year in Children's Ministry with a night full of fun, including a silent disco, capture the flag, tacos, and more. RSVP at prumc.org/register and get ready for a night to remember!

Vacation Bible School - The Good Shepherd's Adventure

June 8-11, 9:00 am-12:00 pm, PRUMC

Journey through the lush landscapes of Ireland as we explore the powerful words of Psalm 23. Discover the life of the shepherd-king David and a firm foundation in God's Word. For children ages four (by 9/1/25) through fifth grade. RSVP at prumc.org/register by **May 1**.

VBS Extended Day

June 8-11, 12:00 - 3:00 pm, PRUMC

For families who could benefit from extra time after VBS, we offer an extended day. After morning VBS, we will move to The Loft for lunch (please pack) and a movie, and then time on the playground. RSVP at prumc.org/register by **May 1**.

Bible Olympics!

Sundays, **May 31 - June 28**, 10:00 am, Gym

Children (completed K - 5th grade) gather each week for team games and Bible learning at Bible Olympics. Join us for a summer of hot competition!

YOUTH

Save the Date! Night at the Ballpark

Sunday, **May 17, 2026**

Middle School Discovery Week

From **July 12-16**, middle schoolers will dive into a week of service, worship, and fun in Atlanta, serving with local missions and enjoying activities like a Six Flags day, silent disco, and pool party. Students may head home each night or stay at the Harp Center, and scholarships are available. Contact Aleah McClendon at aleahm@prumc.org for details.

ADULTS

Tour and Lunch at the Atlanta Botanical Gardens

Thursday, **April 30**, 9:45 am departure from Rollins Ctr.
Explore the beauty and diversity of these historic gardens with lunch at the Longleaf Restaurant. \$20 tickets plus cost of lunch. RSVP to Rev. Leslie Watkins at lesliew@prumc.org.

Spring Fling Bingo!

Wednesday, **May 6**, 1:00 pm, C106
RSVP to Rev. Leslie Watkins at lesliew@prumc.org and bring a spring-themed gift to share as a prize.

Delta Flight Museum Tour and Lunch

Tuesday, **May 12**, 9:30 am departure from Rollins Car.
Join us for a fun outing to the Delta Flight Museum, followed by lunch at a local restaurant. Enjoy historic aircraft, interactive exhibits, and great fellowship. \$20 tickets plus cost of lunch. RSVP to Rev. Leslie Watkins at lesliew@prumc.org.

ADULT EDUCATION

Disciple Graduate Recognition

Sunday, **May 17**, 11:15 am, Sanctuary
The strength of the Disciple Bible Study program lies in its people. Disciple participants commit to a year-long journey of deepening their faith, growing as followers of Christ, and discovering how to live out their discipleship in meaningful ways. Along the way, they become more devoted servants and thoughtful leaders, gaining a richer understanding of scripture, community, and calling. We are proud of these graduates and the impact they make—both within our church and beyond.

GLOBAL MISSIONS

Georgia Adult Mission Trip

Help continue our work of breaking generational poverty through education. From **September 30 - October 11, 2026**, we will spend time with children offering creative, educational activities, science projects, music, and field days—continuing our commitment to help students thrive. Details and registration link at prumc.org/georgia.

The Dogwood Shop

Today, 9:30 am - 1:00 pm
Discover a beautiful new selection of seasonal items, including Mother's Day and graduation gifts. All proceeds of the Dogwood Shop go to support our Global Mission initiatives. We are open six days a week.

PASTORAL CARE

Pastoral Care Concerns

From times of celebration to times of loss, the church and clergy are here for you. To let the church know of a pastoral care concern—such as a birth, hospitalization, or death—please visit prumc.org/pastoral-care and complete the submission form, which immediately notifies select clergy and staff. You may also contact Rev. Josh Miles directly at joshm@prumc.org.

Movers and Shakers Parkinson's Support Group

Wednesday, **May 13, June 10**, 12:00 pm, B158
If you or someone you love has Parkinson's disease, we invite you to participate in this PRUMC support group. We meet each month for lunch and sharing. Contact Rosemary Josey at rosemary.josey@gmail.com.

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 by contacting Heather Hart at 404.240.8219.

HOSPITALITY

Golf Cart Ministry

Sundays, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm, PRUMC Campus
The PRUMC Golf Cart Ministry is here to help members and visitors get from the parking lot to the church doors with ease. If you would like to be in the driver's seat, consider joining our team! Volunteers serve one Sunday a month. Contact Brittany Charron at brittanyc@prumc.org.

Additional Accessible Parking Available

Accessible parking spaces have been added to the Blue Lot to better accommodate members who are elderly, have mobility challenges, or require handicapped access. These reserved spots are located closest to the building for your convenience and comfort.

Friendly Volunteers Needed: Sunday Bus Drivers

Help once a month by driving the church bus on Sundays! Drive our valued senior members in the Buckhead area to and from church for worship and fellowship. Drivers will pick up passengers at 9:30 am and bring them home after the 11:15 service. Current driver's license and auto insurance required. Contact Leslie Watkins at lesliew@prumc.org.