



PEACHTREE ROAD

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
THE TWENTY-SIXTH DAY *of* JULY, 2026

TEN O'CLOCK

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MORNING WORSHIP

THE MOORE CHAPEL

JULY 26, 2026 . 10:00 AM

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

Scott Atchison, *pianist*

THE GREETING

We welcome each of you to this service!

We pray that this time together will be a blessing in your life.

CALL TO WORSHIP *

To God Be the Glory

William H. Doane, 1875

To God be the glory, great things he hath done! So loved he the world that he
gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the lifegate
that all may go in. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the Father thru
Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

Fanny J. Crosby, 1875

Choir and Congregation

INVOCATION *

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

HYMNS WE LOVE TO SING *

HYMN 380

There's Within My Heart a Melody

Sweetest Name

There's within my heart a melody Jesus whispers sweet and low:
Fear not, I am with thee, peace, be still, in all of life's ebb and flow.

Refrain: Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, sweetest name I know, fills my every longing,
keeps me singing as I go.

Soon he's coming back to welcome me far beyond the starry sky;
I shall wing my flight to worlds unknown; I shall reign with him on high.

Refrain

HYMN

Love, Mercy and Grace

C. Austin Miles

'Twas love that gave at greatest cost a life, that mine should not be lost.
The love that dies in deep despair my debt fully satisfied there.

Refrain: It was love that took my place on the cross of Calvary; it was grace,
redeeming grace that paid my ransom full and free. Over sin, without, within.
I have the victory, thro' grace, marvelous grace, that lives in me.

God's love, His mercy and His grace, combine to raise a fallen race; His hand is
ready, ere we call, held out with forgiveness for all. *Refrain*

HYMN 365

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

Living God

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt!
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured, there where the blood of the Lamb was
spilt.

Refrain: Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin!

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace, freely bestowed on all who believe!
You that are longing to see his face, will you this moment his grace receive?

Refrain

PASSING OF THE PEACE *

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† *The people are seated.*

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE CONGREGATION

PASTORAL 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

Amazing Grace

arr. Sandy Valerio
(Twentieth Century)

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed. Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come; 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home. The Lord hath promised good to me, His word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures. Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease; I shall possess within the veil, a life of joy and peace. This earth will soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine; but God who called me here below will be forever mine.

John Newton
(1725-1807)

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 *

Matthew 5:13-16

† following the reading:

Minister: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Everything I Need to Know in Life I Learned in Sunday School: Let Your Light Shine

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

SENDING FORTH

HYMN 314 *

In the Garden

C. Austin Miles, 1913

1. I come to the gar - den a - lone while the dew is
2. He speaks, and the sound of his voice is so sweet the
3. I'd stay in the gar - den with him though the night a -

still on the ros - es, and the voice I hear fall - ing on my ear,
birds hush their sing - ing, and the mel - o - dy that he gave to me
round me be fall - ing, but he bids me go; thru the voice of woe

Refrain
the Son of God dis - clos - es.
with - in my heart is ring - ing. And he walks with me, and he
his voice to me is call - ing.

talks with me, and he tells me I am his own; and the
joy we share as we tar - ry there, none oth - er has ev - er known.

The musical score is written for four parts: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. It is in the key of B-flat major (two flats) and 6/8 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a clear refrain section marked by a repeat sign and the word 'Refrain'. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves, with line numbers 1, 2, and 3 indicating different verses. The score concludes with a final double bar line.

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

Wo soll ich fliehen hin, (Where Shall I Flee?), BWV 646

J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)

* 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. Bill Britt, *Senior Minister*

Liturgist: Rev. Darren Hensley, *Deacon*

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.

WELCOME!

Find your place in a warm community of faith.

Whether you are new to Peachtree Road or ready to take a next step, we want to help you feel at home. Through membership opportunities, tours, and welcoming gatherings, you can discover more about the church and find your place in its life and mission. For more information or to RSVP, contact Brittany Charron at brittanyc@prumc.org.

Tea With the Clergy

Sunday, **August 23**
12:30 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.

Tour Peachtree Road

Sunday, **August 30**
10:00 am, Heritage Hall

Whether you are new or still learning your way around, please join us for a campus tour (including a few behind-the-scenes stops) and a brief overview of the ministries and offerings at Peachtree Road.

Joining Worship Service

Sunday, **September 13**
11:15 am, Sanctuary

We are excited to welcome new members as part of Fall Kick-off. Prior to the service, those joining are invited to gather for fellowship and orientation. We will share the vision of the church and what it means to be a member.



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.

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TODAY

Lemonade on the Lawn

Join us on the front lawn after worship for lemonade, cookies, and conversation. Come enjoy the fellowship of our church family!

Chancel Choir Tour Preview: Choral Evensong

Today, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary

From August 9 through August 17, 2026, the Chancel Choir will serve as the choir in residence, leading daily worship at Canterbury Cathedral, England. Enjoy a preview of the music the Chancel Choir will offer during their time in the U.K. at this complimentary choral service.

The Dogwood Shop

Summer art, table decor, gifts, clothing, and more. All proceeds benefit our global mission projects.

FEATURED

Fall Bible Study Registration

We invite everyone to make room for a Bible study this fall and discover how meaningful it can be to learn and grow alongside others. Classes include our cornerstone study of DISCIPLE plus great short-term offerings, including a companion study to Bill's fall sermon series on Galatians. **Visit prumc.org/bible-study for complete details and registration links.**

Fall Bible Study Kick-off Dinner

Sunday, **August 30**, 5:30 - 7:00 pm, Grace Hall

Dr. Ryan Bonfiglio, Emory professor and director of the Candler Foundry, will challenge us to approach the year of study ahead with *Confidence*, *Curiosity*, and *Conviction*. The **John Cromartie Award** will be presented to one of our outstanding class leaders. RSVP at prumc.org/register.

FAMILIES

CHILDREN

August Bible Bootcamp for Kids

Sundays, **August 2 - 30**, 10:00 am, The Loft

Fun games and activities teach children K-5th how to engage fully in worship and grow strong in faith.

YOUTH

A Day with Tim Elmore

Sunday, **August 23**, PRUMC

10:00 am Parents of Gen Z and Gen Alpha

12:15 pm Grandparents Luncheon

5:00 pm Reset Party with PRUMC Youth

Tim Elmore shares practical insights for parents, grandparents, and students navigating today's rapidly changing world. These sessions will help different generations understand, support, and connect with each other.

Youth Parent Open House

Sunday, **August 30**, Harp Center

9:00 am | Confirmation Parent Meeting

10:00 am | Open House

Youth (6th - 12th grade) and their parents will learn about important dates, trips, and forms for a great year ahead.

SERVE

Contact Beth Spencer at beths@prumc.org for more information.

Safe Summer Graduation

We are honored to celebrate 14 young men graduating from the *Safe Summer Program* on July 31. This program is dedicated to providing healing and options to marginalized youth. Each student will receive new tennis shoes, socks, undergarments, hygiene products, and a backpack from PRUMC to begin the school year with confidence.

Sponsor a Senior Year

PRUMC is sponsoring nine Agape students beginning their senior year in high school. Sponsorships provide school supplies, clothing, shoes, and senior expenses. Help lift the financial burden from their hard-working parents and give these students a memorable senior year.

September Churchwide Food Drive

See "Fellowship" on the next page for details.

ADULTS

Sign up at prumc.org/register unless otherwise indicated.

Farmers Market Bingo

Wednesday, **August 5**, 1:00 pm, C106

Bring your competitive spirit and your favorite summer produce. RSVP to Rev. Leslie Watkins at lesliew@prumc.org.

Trip to the National Center for Civil and Human Rights

Wednesday, **August 19**, 9:15 am departure from Rollins Ctr. Experience a powerful day of history, reflection, and community fellowship. \$23 tour, plus cost of lunch at Mary Mac's. RSVP to Rev. Leslie Watkins at lesliew@prumc.org.

Demystifying Medicare

Sunday, **August 30**, 5:00 pm, Hospitality Suite

Are you confused by Medicare options? Learn to confidently navigate the system and understand your choices.

Grace Point Women's Bible Study

Thursdays, starting **September 10**, 9:30 am, Harp Center

Morning Light Women's Bible Studies

Wednesdays, with groups starting **September 9 and 16**

Men's Weekly Bible Study

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings

CARE

Presented by the One Lamb Initiative for Mental Wellness. Sign up at prumc.org/register unless otherwise indicated.

NAMI Family-to-Family Course

Sundays, starting **September 13**, 2:00 - 4:30 pm

If you have family or friends with mental health challenges, this free course helps you to cope and problem-solve in a non-threatening, anonymous setting. Learn about self-care, support resources, crisis management, treatment, and more. To join or learn more, contact Susan Thigpen at thigpensusan@gmail.com.

Preschool Moms Support Group

Wednesdays, starting **September 16**, 9:15 am, PRUMC

Preschool moms share encouragement and support.

Grace Filled Grieving Support Group

Wednesdays, starting **September 16**, 6:00 pm, Hosp. Suite
Grief support that offers connection, guidance, and hope.

WORSHIP

Root your week in worship and the rhythms of faith.
Join us for services that help us grow in faith and live with purpose.

August Series

Wesley's Message for Today

Rooted in Scripture and inspired by John Wesley's teachings, this series explores core Methodist beliefs—grace, assurance, holiness, and salvation—and how they shape our hearts, renew our spirits, and guide us as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Fall Kick-off

September 13

Fall Kick-off Sunday marks a wonderful return to the rhythms of church life at Peachtree Road. Join us for worship, special music, and lunch as we gather the whole church family and begin a full season of Bible studies, fellowship, and faithful growth.

September Series

Galatians and the Fruitful Life

Paul's letter to the Galatians calls us to live in the freedom of Christ, transformed by grace and shaped by the Spirit. As the season changes, we will reflect on our own spiritual growth and what kind of fruit our lives are producing.

MUSIC

A Grand Finale: Scott Atchison Farewell Concert

Sunday, **September 13**, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary

Celebrate the remarkable career of Scott Atchison as PRUMC's organist, music director, and choirmaster. The program will feature Scott's favorite music, special guests, and a full orchestra. Tickets are required and available at prumc.org/register.

Choir Registration Opens August 15

Choir is a wonderful place for children and youth to grow in faith, develop life skills, and find their place in the church. As young people participate in worship, they discover their gifts and become part of something larger than themselves. All children and youth are invited to a great year of singing, service, and friendship ahead! Details and registration at prumc.org/choir.

Aug 30 Doxology Youth Choir Begins

Sep 16 Children's Choirs Begin

FELLOWSHIP

Fall Kick-off Fellowship Luncheon

Sunday, **September 13**, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Grace Hall

Catch up with your church family over a great luncheon as we kick off fall at Peachtree Road. Come enjoy pulled pork BBQ, baked beans, coleslaw, cornbread, and banana pudding. This lunch is complimentary. Join us!

September Churchwide Food Drive

Together, we will collect items to support the Collins Memorial Food Bank at our Westside Table campus. Most-needed items are:

- Canned fruit
- Peanut butter
- Ground coffee
- Ensure
- 55-gallon trash bags

Please return filled grocery bags to the donation bins near the first-floor reception area of the Rollins Center.

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