



*The People of God in Worship*

*July 8, 2018*

*Eleven O'Clock in the Morning*

*Seventh Sunday after Pentecost*

**THE GREETING**

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kearse

To our Guests, Members, and Friends: In the pew rack you will find a small brochure to give us the opportunity to get to know you and serve you better. Fill in where appropriate, and place it in the collection plate. Welcome and thank you!

**\*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kearse

Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you!

Reply: **And also with you!**

**THE CHIMES**

Three chimes are sounded, awakening us to the presence of God, alerting us to the voice of Christ, centering us in the embrace of the Spirit.

**THE PRELUDE**

Please consider the prelude as an invitation to quietly, reverently prepare yourself for worship.

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Mr. Parks Snead

Leader: We ponder your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple.

People: **Your name, O God, like your praise, reaches to the ends of the earth.  
Your right hand is filled with victory.**

Leader: Let Mount Zion be glad, let the towns of Judah rejoice because of your judgments.

People: **Walk about Zion, go all around it, count its towers,**

Leader: Consider well its ramparts; go through its citadels,

People: **Tell the next generation that this is God, our God forever and ever.**

All: **He will be our guide forever.**

from Psalm 48

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 92**

*O How I Love Jesus*

**\*INVOCATION AND THE GLORIA PATRI**

Mr. Parks Snead and The Community

*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, Amen.*

**THE FIRST READING**

Psalm 48

Mr. Parks Snead

Leader: A word from God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**THE SECOND READING**

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

Mr. Parks Snead

Leader: A word from God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

Duet by Debbie Burton and Victoria Grabeel

**THE MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kearse

*Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth  
as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.*

**\*THE OFFERTORY HYMN No. 403**

*Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

**THE GIFTS**

\*Offertory Moment and Prayer

Offertory

\*Doxology - No. 815

Mr. Parks Snead

Duet by Debbie Burton and Victoria Grabeel

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

**THE MESSAGE**

*It Is You*

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kearse

**THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

If you desire membership in this congregation, you are invited to present yourself at this time. If you prefer not to present yourself, you may speak to the minister after the service to effect membership. As an open membership church, we honor your previous baptism in any other Christian community. If you have not made a profession of faith, we invite you to do so and receive Christian baptism. Church members are invited to use this time to renew their covenantal relationship with God and their commitment to Christian service.

**\*HYMN No. 589**

*Here I Am, Lord*

**\*CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE COMMUNITY**

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kearse

**\*THE POSTLUDE**

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- \* The ushers will seat those waiting.
  - \* Those who are able will please stand.
  - \* Hearing aids are available from the ushers.

Copies of last week's sermon and the prayer list are in the narthex.

*Peakland Baptist Church would like to express our deepest sympathy to Susan Epling and her family. Susan's brother, Ken Epling, passed away on Monday, June 25th. Ken was a Charter Member of Peakland Baptist Church.*

***HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARTHA SHOWALTER!***  
*You left me (us) too soon.*  
*The beautiful flowers are given by Gus Lamond.*

Offertory Emphasis

A staggering 14 million children in the United States, newborns to age 18, struggle with poverty and poverty-related issues. Our concerns about this situation are being addressed by the Justice for Children Ministries of the American Baptist Home Mission Societies. This effort highlights existing ministry resources and opportunities, and provides leadership for developing new resources and opportunities for service to children. Your gift helps encourage and equip American Baptists to respond to the needs of children in poverty through ministries of caring and prophetic justice.

Please join me in prayer:

*We uphold and support American Baptist congregations and individuals as they continue working to meet the needs of the most vulnerable in our society. We celebrate and share the good news about this ministry. Amen.*