

The People of God in Worship
August 25th, 2019
Eleven O'clock in the Morning

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 PRELUDE

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

THE CALL TO WORSHIP from *Blessed Assurance* (remain seated)

Vicki Mays

ALL: **This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior, all the day long!
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Praising my Savior, all the day long!**

***THE INVOCATION AND GLORIA PATRI**

Vicki Mays & 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.*

***HYMN OF PRAISE No. 530**

I Will Call Upon the Lord

***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kearse

Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you!
Reply: **And also with you!**

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 8:18-25

Vicki Mays

Leader: **A word from God for the people of God.**
People: Thanks be to God.

**CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF COMMUNITY, 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.*

HYMN No. 539 (remain seated)

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

THE GIFTS

Offertory Moment and Prayer
Offertory Music
*Doxology - No. 815

Vicki Mays

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

THE MESSAGE *This Is Our Story: Part II: Persecution to Power*

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kears

***HYMN No. 597**

Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated

***THE BENEDICTION**

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kears

Offertory Emphasis\ Missions Moment:

As we remember our story here at Peakland Baptist Church, we give special thanks today for our Charter Members. We give thanks for their optimism and hopefulness in beginning this church. For their belief in creating community, for their courage in undertaking such a huge financial challenge, for their strength through difficult years, and for their faith in God and their confidence in their calling to be the people of God.

Please join me in prayer:

Lord, we thank you for those whose vision of a church here in this beautiful spot you have honored. We thank you for the dedication they brought to all the tasks of beginning this church and for the many ways you opened doors for them to do so. Help us to call on their strength and hope as we go forward with the work of this church. Amen.

