

SUNDAY WORSHIP

APRIL 24, 2022



THE PEOPLES CHURCH

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Sunday Schedule

Worship Service: 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary & Livestreamed on YouTube

Sunday School is available after the Children's Moment

Nursery Care is available for Children Under 3

Wednesday Night Programming

Individually prepared meals can be picked up between 5:00 & 6:00 p.m. in the Northwest entrance of the building. For more details, check [The Peoples Church Facebook page](#).

ASL Interpreted Service

The Peoples Church is proud to welcome ASL interpreters for our 10:30 a.m. worship service and for special events.

THE PEOPLES CHURCH STAFF

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COUNCIL OF ELDERS

Elders meet at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Robertson Room. Bev Mason, Chair (elders@thepeopleschurch.com)

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Whether you are young or old, rich or poor, doubtful or hopeful...no matter where you are in your faith journey, **YOU** are welcome here. For those with children, be assured that noises and wiggling are signs of a church that is alive and growing; your entire family is welcome in worship.

JOIN US REMOTELY!

To join the online
livestream of the
worship service, click
[here!](#)

To join the worship
service via telephone,
dial (844) 933-0517
and follow prompts.

**MAKE A GIFT
ONLINE**

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Order of Service | April 24, 2022

Prelude

The Bells of St. Mary's
Clarion Ringers, Directed by Elizabeth Reed

arr. F. Callahan

Please take this opportunity to fill out the black attendance pad found at the end of your pew.

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Devon Herrell

***Call to Worship (Psalm 150)**

One Praise the Lord!

Praise God in this Sanctuary;

All Praise God in the mighty heavens!

One We give praise for God's mighty works;

All We offer praise for God's unequalled greatness!

One Praise with a blast of the trumpet;

All Praise with the lyre and harp!

One Praise God with the tambourine and dancing;

All Praise God with stringed instruments and flutes!

One Praise God with the clash of cymbals; with loud clanging cymbals.

All Let everything that has breath give praise to the Lord!

***Gathering Hymn**

Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show(v. 1-3)

no. 33

Praise the Lord! God's glories show, Alleluia! Saints within God's courts below, Alleluia! Angels round the throne above, Alleluia! All who see and share God's love. Alleluia!

Earth to heaven exalt the strain, Alleluia! Send it, heaven, to earth again, Alleluia! Age to age, God's mercies trace, Alleluia! Praise God's providence and grace! Alleluia!

Strings and voices, hands and hearts, Alleluia! In the concert, bear your parts, Alleluia! All that breathes, your Lord adore, Alleluia! Singing praise for evermore, Alleluia!

Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show

Text: Henry Francis Lyte (1836)

Music : Robert Williams (1817)

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Prayer of Confession

God who holds our certainties and deepest doubts, we confess that we can be reluctant to believe in your presence and power. Our reliance on our own faculties, reasoning, and opinions, limits our ability to bear witness to your movement in our midst. We are people who need to see to believe, we want proof and evidence, when we are called to faith. Forgive us God, speak hope into our lives and help us to truly believe. Amen.

Moment of Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

****Confession Response***

Thine Is the Glory

no. 238

Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

Children's Moment

Anthem

Sing Praise to Christ

J.S. Bach

Sanctuary Choir, Directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed

Sing praise to Christ, the Lord, sing praises. Sing praise to Christ, the Lord, Alleluia! Sing praise to Christ, our risen Savior, our Savior and King! Adore him forever and worship his name.

Scripture

John 20: 20-31

Sermon

"When the Divine Shows up..."

Rev. Dr. Devon Herrell

****Hymn of Response***

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight (v. 1-4)

no. 817

We walk by faith and not by sight; with gracious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."

We may not touch your hands and side, nor follow where you trod; but in your promise we rejoice and cry, "My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith abound to call on you when you are near and seek where you are found.

And when our life of faith is done, in realms of clearer light may we behold you as you are, with full and endless sight.

We Walk by Faith and Not Sight

Text: Henry Alford (1844)

Music: Samuel McFarland (1814)

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Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

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, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Give

Offertory

Majestic Alleluia

Joel Raney

Clarion Ringers, Directed by Elizabeth Reed

****Act of Praise***

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

****Prayer of Dedication***

Giver of all things, we have evidence of the miracles that can occur when we give generously of our time, talents, and treasures. Challenge us to give without hesitation. In your abundance bless this offering that through the work of this church it too may touch and transform lives by your love. Amen.

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Women and men, in age and youth, can feel the Spirit, hear the call, and find the way, the life, the truth, revealed in Jesus, freed for all.

Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age, till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

Text: Henry Hart Milman (1827)

Music: John Bacchus Dykes (1826)

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***Benediction**

***Benediction Response**

Postlude

Christ Is Arisen

J.S. Bach

Floral Dedication

Last week's floral swag decorating the cross was given in memory of James Carey, by his wife Renate Carey.



WEEKLY HAPPENINGS AT THE PEOPLES CHURCH



COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP: After service, please join us in Friendship Hall for freshly brewed coffee, sweet treats, and fellowship!

CAMPUS MINISTRY: Join us on Sundays following service for Lunch and Lounge—a time of fellowship, food, and rest. Campus Ministry also meets at **6:30 p.m. on Wednesday nights** for Bible Study!

PEOPLES CHURCH YOUTH GROUP (PCYG): April is an exciting month for PCYG! Confirmation class will take place from **1:00 - 2:00 p.m. following lunch**. PCYG will be participating in a service opportunity with Allen Neighborhood Center on **Saturday April 30th** from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. We will enjoy brunch together before in the youth den at 10:30 a.m.! Contact Elisha Smith for more details on any of the events planned for this month at esmith@thepeopleschurch.com!

TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP: The Tuesday morning men's group is reading *Everyone's a Theologian: An Introduction to Systematic Theology* by R.C. Sproul. We continue to meet at **7:30 a.m. on Tuesdays in the Robertson Room.**

SERMON PREVIEW GROUP: The sermon preview group will meet **Wednesday, April 27th at 9 a.m.** to review **Acts 9: 1-6.** Join us on zoom by clicking [here](#), or enter the meeting ID into your zoom app: 813 6414 0406.

WEDNESDAY NOON MEN'S GROUP: We meet in the Robertson Room as we continue our study of *If God is Love, Don't be a Jerk* by John Pavlovitz.

CHiCs (CONNECTED HEARTS IN CHRIST) WOMEN'S GROUP: We meet on **Thursday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m. both by zoom and in person.** For more information about CHiCs or to join the group, contact Beth Lundy at lundybb@comcast.net or 610-246-0029.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN MEMORY: It is with a heavy heart that we share the news of the death of Maxine Ferris, a member of The Peoples Church. Maxine Ferris passed away on April 18th at 91 years old. A service for Maxine will be held at The Peoples Church, on **May 1st at 4 p.m.**

NEW MEMBERS CLASS: Are you interested in more information about The Peoples Church? Join us **today at 11:30 a.m.** for a New Members Class! It is a fabulous opportunity to get membership information or just learn a bit more about this remarkable community of faith!

INTERFAITH SERVICE

Welcome the Stranger: An Interfaith Service of Song and Story

The Interfaith Clergy Association will revive its annual interfaith service on **Monday, May 16th, at 7 p.m., at The Peoples Church.** We will offer scriptures and songs from many faiths that emphasize the importance of welcoming and tending to newcomers in our midst.

ALL are welcome. Together we can form one single community of friendship and mutual respect. You can attend in person, or through [YouTube live stream](#).

Women of Peoples Church Strawberry Brunch

Women of Peoples Church will be holding their annual Strawberry Brunch, **May 1st following Sunday Worship.**

Admission Prices :

- ◇ \$10/adult
- ◇ \$8/child; 11 and up
- ◇ Free for children under 11

TOWN AND GOWN: The next session of Town & Gown is **Tuesday, April 26th at 5p.m.** Join Age Alive as we hear from Professor Leo Zulu about the relationship between people and environments in Africa. Presentations are held in person in the Robertson Room and are also accessible through zoom. To join online, visit <https://msu.zoom.us/j/93436186072>, and enter passcode Town&Gown.



VBS: Join us **June 13-17** for all day Vacation Bible School! Our unique VBS is half a day of Bible stories, crafts and activities and a half day of nature camp! For 4 days we will be exploring the amazing Woldumar Nature Center. One day we will be at the church enjoying a naturalist presentation, ice cream social and more! **Register by May 1st, 2022 and save \$10 per registration!** Registration is open for Campers (finished Kindergarten to 5th grade), CITs (finished 6th or 7th grade), and Crew Leaders (finished 8th grade and at least 14 years old). For more information, scan the QR code, or click [here](#). Contact Kathi Mitchell (kmitchell@thepeopleschurch.com) with any questions.

