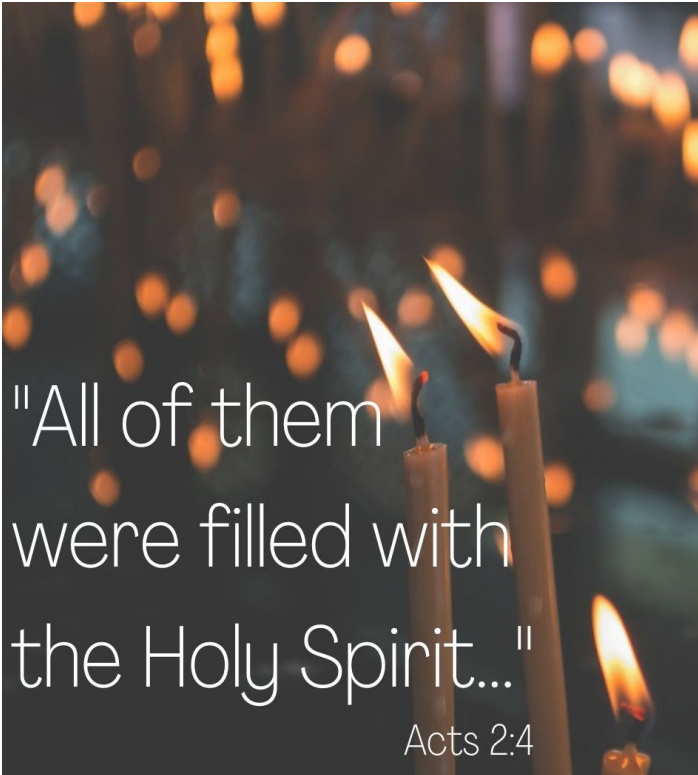


Sanctuary Service

May 28, 2023



THE PEOPLES CHURCH

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Sunday (Summer) Schedule

Sanctuary Service: 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary & Livestreamed on YouTube.

There is NO Sunday school this morning.

Nursery Care is provided for Children Under 3.

A Nursing Room is available for those who need it. Ask an usher or the Welcome Desk for directions.

W@PC

Wednesdays @ Peoples Church is a weekly community dinner followed by programming. Join us at 5:30 p.m. in the Social Hall!

ASL Interpreted Service

The Peoples Church is proud to welcome ASL interpreters for our Sunday worship service and for special events.

Sensory Tool Kit

A Sensory Tool Kit is reserved for individuals who get overstimulated during church services and need something to help calm the nervous system. The kit can be borrowed at the Welcome desk.

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. Diane Shafer, 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, you can find **The Peoples Church of East Lansing on YouTube!**

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

Prelude

Come, Holy Ghost, Our Lord and God
Judy Kabodian, Organist

Dietrich Buxtehude

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

***Call to Worship**

Greg Houghtaling

One: Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite our hearts with joy and confidence!

All: For God has done wondrous things.

One: Come, Holy Spirit! Fill us with the power of the rushing wind that we may faithfully serve you in all that we do.

All: For Christ has called each of us!

One: Come, Holy Spirit! Be with us today.

All: Help us to boldly proclaim Christ Risen. Amen.

***Gathering Hymn**

On Pentecost They Gathered (v. 1, 3-4)

no. 289

On Pentecost they gathered quite early in the day, a band of Christ's disciples, to worship, sing, and pray. A mighty wind came blowing, filled all the swirling air, and tongues of fire a-glowing inspired each person there.

The people all around them were startled and amazed to understand their language, as Christ the Lord they praised. What universal message, what great good news was here? That Christ, once dead, is risen to vanquish all our fear.

God pours the Holy Spirit on all who would believe, on women, men, and children who would God's grace receive. That Spirit knows no limit, bestowing life and power. The church, formed and reforming, responds in every hour.

On Pentecost They Gathered
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Music: Neuvermehrtes Meiningsches Gesangbuch, 1693
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Prayer of Confession

Holy Spirit, we're not sure we're ready for you to move through our lives. We've grown comfortable with our familiar habits and routines. We're afraid to live as you would have us live. When we cling to our old ways and the safety of familiar paths, wake us up and breathe your life into us. Walk with us, O God, and give us the courage to follow the way that is lit by the fire of your Spirit. On this Day of Pentecost, we pray for the audacity to truly be your people in the world. Amen.

Moment of Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

****Confession Response***

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

no. 286

Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Passing the Peace of Christ

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

The Sacrament of Baptism

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

Sakura Bambi Oakwood & Aurora Joyce Eberle

Pastor (to the Congregation):

Do we, the members of the church of Jesus Christ present here at The Peoples Church, promise to be Sakura and Aurora's family of faith, now and always, offering whatever they might need to better serve and follow our Lord and Savior? And do we promise to encourage them to walk humbly with their Lord all the days of their lives?

Congregation: By God's grace, we do.

Pastor: Brothers and sisters, we now celebrate the gift of grace in the Sacrament of Baptism.

Congregation: There is one body and one spirit. There is one hope in God's call to us. There is one Lord, one faith, and one baptism, one God, creator of us all.

Pastor: Sakura (Aurora), I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, One God, Mother of us all. Amen.

Congregation: We thank you, God, for Sakura (Aurora)! Bless her and keep her, now and forever. Amen.

Solo

Somebody's Knockin' at Your Door

arr. Moses Hogan

Nick Kreider, Baritone

Refrain: Somebody's knockin' at your door, somebody's knockin' at your door. Oh, sinner, why don't you answer? Somebody's knockin' at your door. Can't you hear Him? Refrain. Sounds like Jesus? Refrain. Spirit calls you. Refrain.

Scripture Reading

Acts 2:1-21

Sermon

"The Power of Pentecost"

Rev. Haley Hansen

Hymn of Response

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers (v. 1-4)

no. 407

Spirit divine, attend our prayers, and make this house your home. Descend with all your gracious powers. O come, great spirit, come!

Come as the light. To us reveal our emptiness and woe. And lead us in those paths of life where all the righteous go.

Come as the fire and purge our hearts like sacrificial flame. Let our whole soul an offering be to our Redeemer's name.

Come as the dove and spread your wings, the wings of peaceful love. And let the church on earth become blest as the church above.

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers
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Music: Johann Cruger (1647)
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Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Haley Hansen

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



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***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.

Pentecost God, take our hearts and set them on fire. Take our lives and transform them. Take our gifts and use them for the fulfillment of your vision of peace and unity. Amen.

***Sending Hymn**

God of Grace and God of Glory (v. 1-2, 4)

no. 307

God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; crown thine ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Lo! The hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days, for the living of these days

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore. Let the gift of thy salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore, serving thee whom we adore.

God of Grace and God of Glory
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***Benediction**

Postlude

Finale from Concerto No. 5
Judy Kabodian, Organist

G.F. Handel

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUMMER WORSHIP: Our summer worship services begin **today!** Through the summer there will only be one service at **9:30 a.m.**

COUNCIL OF ELDERS: The Peoples Church is looking for members who would like to serve as an elder or a member of the Nominations Committee:

Council of Elders (Three-year term): The Elder Council is responsible for the spiritual, physical, and overall welfare of the church. The council is comprised of 15 members, the clerk, and the treasurer, all of which are elected from active members of the church at the annual Fall Election Meeting. In addition, there is one representative selected from each denomination. The typical meeting schedule of the council includes a ministry meeting on the second or third Tuesday of each month, and the elders' meeting on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Elders are elected to serve a three-year term and can serve two terms consecutively. New members take office January 1.

Nomination Committee: The Nomination Committee is comprised of eight members and typically meets annually in August to recruit and select candidates for the Elder Council and the Nomination Committee slate for the congregation to vote on during the Fall Election Meeting. Members are selected to serve two-year terms, and must take a year off before serving again on the committee.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Volunteers are needed to plan and design the remodel of the women's bathroom next to the welcome desk. The Building and Grounds committee would like a plan submitted soon so the work can begin. If you are interested in participating in this discussion, please contact Cheryl Leece by calling (517) 410-1313.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: It's time to register for VBS! This year our Vacation Bible School will be at the church, **9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., June 19-23.** We are planning a super fun week with half day VBS, half day summer camp. Our campers will enjoy a trip to the zoo, a Grand Finale production, and more!



As always, we can't do VBS without your help! We need adult volunteers to be field trip chaperones and station leaders (science, crafts, mission, games) and teenagers to be crew leaders. Please call (989) 318-3293, or email vbs@thepeopleschurch.com for more information. Scan the QR code to register your children. Cost is \$75.

UNDIE SUNDAYS: Undie Sundays are returning, collection begins **June 11 and ends August 13.** Community Engagement will be collecting NEW underwear (underpants, socks, & tees) children, K-12. Look for the red kids stuff basket at the Welcome Desk to leave donations, or they may be dropped off in TPC office. All items will be delivered to the LOVE Clothing Closet at Judson Memorial Baptist Church. Questions? Contact Ruth Worthington by emailing worthin2@msu.edu.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont.)

VOICES OF THE COMMUNITY: Voices of the Community has concluded for this year. Thank you so much for your attendance and support of this adult education program. We will begin again on September 10 with Johnny Agar from Rockford, Michigan. Johnny is an incredible person living with Cerebral Palsy and participating, with his father, in multi-marathons. Please take time to view of his accomplishments on YouTube! Have a great summer!

PROGRAMMING AT THE PEOPLES CHURCH

ACHE: Adults Connecting and Having Events is a young adult group that meets twice a month. To keep up with events, follow us on Instagram @ache_thepeopleschurch, or contact Pastor Haley by emailing hhansen@thepeopleschurch.com.

ENGAGING THE WORD: Pastor Haley leads the in-person study group on **Mondays from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Robertson Room**, and Pastor Shawnthea leads the **Wednesday Zoom session from 9 to 10 a.m.** The Zoom link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88178100531>. **There is no Bible study this week on Monday and Wednesday.**

MEN'S WEDNESDAY NOON DISCUSSION GROUP: Please join us in the Robertson Room for our discussion of "The Sin of Certainty" by Peter Enns.

PEOPLES CHURCH YOUTH GROUP: The PCYG Family Picnic will NOT take place after the service today; it has been moved to **Sunday, June 25 following the 9:30 a.m. service.**

PUB THEOLOGY: We meet on the **second Thursday each month, 6:30 p.m. at Crunchy's** to engage in conversation about faith, life, and what is happening in the world. Join us **June 8!**

TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP: The Tuesday Morning Men's Group is currently reading 'Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents' by Isabel Wilkerson. We continue to meet at **7:30 a.m. on Tuesdays in the Robertson Room.**

WEDNESDAYS @ PEOPLES CHURCH: A community dinner is hosted **every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Social Hall.** At **6:30**, Shawnthea Monroe teaches dance aerobics in the gym. All are welcome! (Faith & the News Bible study will not meet through the summer.)

