

SUNDAY WORSHIP

July 17th, 2022



Sunday Schedule

Worship Service: 9:30 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 Sunday worship service and for special events.

Sensory Tool Kit

A Sensory Tool Kit is reserved for those 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

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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.

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worship service,
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Prelude

Fugue in G Major
Judy Kabodian, Organist

J.S. Bach

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

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

***Call to Worship**

One: We gather again to hear the story of our faith,
About God's mighty words brought to us through the prophets.

**All: We gather again to hear the story of our faith,
About the brave deeds of unexpected heroes.**

One: We gather again to seek God's presence,
To discern God's will for each of our lives.

**All: How wonderful it is to be in God's house!
Let us worship our God and welcome the Spirit!**

***Gathering Hymn**

The Mighty God with Power Speaks (v. 1-3)

no. 13

*The Mighty God with power speaks, and all the world obeys; from dawn until the setting sun,
God's wonder earth displays. The perfect beauty all around from Zion's height shines forth; and
stars across the firmament so brightly beam their worth.*

*God comes not with a silent form, but riding on the winds; before God's face, the raging storm
its blast of thunder sends. All hail the Judge, in bold array, whose promise is to bless; who sees
our sins, yet also feels our thirst for righteousness.*

*The heavens declare your justice, Lord, as endless as the sky; against the taunts of disbelief,
our God will testify. Receive my heartfelt gift of thanks, as honor to your might; refresh my
faith with each new day; protect me through the night.*

The Mighty God with Power Speaks
Text: Michael Morgan, 1999
Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906
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Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, you are the true source of hope and solace. Yet we have tried to fill ourselves with many things that do not satisfy and cannot heal us. We have tried to distract ourselves with games of our own invention. We have raised up little gods in the form of celebrities and conspiracies and bowed down to the idols of this age. Forgive us for all the ways we have wasted your precious gift of time. In this moment, draw near to us so that we can feel your love and your forgiveness. We ask all this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Moment of Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

****Confession Response***

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

no. 469

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Lord, send your Spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

Passing the Peace of Christ

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

Children's Moment

Solo

With Malice Toward None
Neil Mueller, trumpet

John Williams

"With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan—to do all which may achieve and cherish a just, and a lasting peace, among ourselves, and with all nations." -Abraham Lincoln

Sermon

“A Fierce Faith”

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

Hymn of Response

God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength (v. 1-4)

no. 329

God is our refuge and our strength, our ever-present aid, and therefore, though the earth moved, we will not be afraid.

Though hills amid the seas be cast, though foaming waters roar, yea, though the mighty billows shake the mountains on the shore.

Where God abides a river flows; that city will rejoice. But nations fear and kingdoms shake before God's thundering voice.

Since God is in the midst of it, the city walls shall stand, secure and safe with God's sure help, when trouble is at hand.

God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength
Text: *The New Metrical Version of the Psalms*, 1909
Music: George Kirbye, 1592
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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

****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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAREGIVERS WORKSHOP: 'Powerful Tools for Caregivers' is a 6-week interactive workshop for caregivers held at our church on Tuesdays, July 19 - August 23rd from 1:30-4:00 p.m. The focus of this workshop is to help caregivers take better care of themselves while caring for someone else. Topics include stress management, relaxation, communicating in challenging situations, dealing with difficult emotions such as anger, guilt, depression and more. The workshop is free of charge, but donations are accepted. To register, call Tri-County Office on Aging at (517)887-1465.



SUMMER BARBECUE & WNL: On Wednesday, July 27, 5-6 p.m., we will be having a celebratory BBQ meal on the north side of the church to mark the end of our "to go" Wednesday meals. After a brief August break, we will return to Wednesday dinners in Snider Social Hall on September 7th. After a 30 month hiatus, it will be wonderful to return to our community meal format! Please join us on July 27th - and again on September 7th!

UNDIE SUNDAYS: We would like to announce the return of Undie Sundays! Again this summer, Community Engagement will be sponsoring the collection of NEW underwear (preferably underpants and socks) for school age children grades K-12. Donations may be left in the red Kids Stuff basket located at the Welcome Center. Collection will end August 14th, at which time the donations will be delivered to the Love Clothing Closet at Judson Memorial Baptist Church. Again, thank you all for a long history of enthusiastic response to this need.

CHURCH DIRECTORIES: Pictorial directories can now be picked up in the office, during office hours. As always, our online [Realm](#) network is the most up-to-date directory.

If you cannot find a directory copy with your name on it, need help signing into Realm, or have noticed an error, please contact Beth Lundy at blundy@thepeopleschurch.com or 517-332-5073 x 4453 and she will assist you.

WEEKLY HAPPENINGS AT THE PEOPLES CHURCH



A.C.H.E.: Adults Connecting Having Events will meet Monday July 18th to go hiking at Lincoln Brick Park. Meet at the church at 6 p.m. if you need a ride, or 6:30 p.m. at the park! For more information about this young adult group, Contact Pastor Devon at dherrell@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.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL: Dinner is available for pickup on Wednesday nights from 5-6 p.m. at the Northwest Entrance. Meals are free, but donations allow us to continue serving these high quality meals. All are welcome! Meals will be on pause for the month of August.



SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE: We will be worshipping at 9:30 a.m. until September 4th. This will provide some relief from parking congestion and prepare us (we hope!) to return to a schedule of two services (8:30/10:30) in the fall.

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