

SUNDAY WORSHIP

July 24th, 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.

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.



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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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livestream of the
worship service,
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Order of Service | July 24th, 2022

Prelude

Idylle Mélancolique
Judy Kabodian, Organist

Louis Vierne

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: This is the day that the Lord has made!
Come let us worship our God!

**All: God is our refuge and our fortress.
God is an ever present source of strength!**

One: Open your minds to receive God's word.
Open your hearts to receive God's love.

**All: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
Our God, who made heaven and earth.**

One: Enter into this time of worship with honesty and hope.
Be present to God with all your joys and concerns.

**All: Holy God, come near to us and hear our worship.
We praise you in the name of your son, Jesus!**

***Gathering Hymn**

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above (v. 1, 3, 4)

no. 645

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation. With healing balm my soul is filled and every faithless murmur stilled: to God all praise and glory!

The Lord is never far away, but, through all grief distressing, an ever-present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing, as with a mother's tender hand God gently leads the chosen band: to God all praise and Glory!

Thus all my toilsome way along I sing aloud thy praises, that all may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises. Be joyful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and body, take your part: to God all praise and glory!

Prayer of Confession

God of light, we confess our lives are far from holy. The thoughts we have held in secret have erupted into hurtful words and deeds. We have not avoided lies and slander. We have given in to pessimism and suspicion. We resent people whose lives seem easier than our own. We easily point out the sins and faults of others but pretend we have no need of healing or forgiveness. Please forgive us and heal us. Make us whole so we are able to be content and at peace. We pray 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

Meditation
Ally Szeles, clarinet

Jules Massenet

Scripture

John 5: 1-9

pg. 742

Sermon

"No Need for Healing"

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river, in my soul. I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river, in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain; I've got joy like a fountain; I've got joy like a fountain, in my soul. I've got joy like a fountain; I've got joy like a fountain; I've got joy like a fountain, in my soul.

I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean, in my soul. I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean, in my soul.

I've Got Peace like a River
Text and Music: African American Spiritual
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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.**

Prayer of Dedication

Dear God, everywhere we look, we see places where your creation groans. May we never become numb to the suffering of others and may these gifts, with your blessing, be a balm to those in need. This is our prayer and our promise. Amen.

Let us with a gladsome mind praise the Lord who is so kind: for God's mercies shall endure, ever faithful, ever sure.

God, with all commanding might, filled the new-made world with light: for God's mercies shall endure, ever faithful, ever sure.

All things living God does feed; with full measure, meets their need: for God's mercies shall endure, ever faithful, ever sure.

Let us with a gladsome mind praise the Lord who is so kind: for God's mercies shall endure, ever faithful, ever sure.

Let Us with a Gladsome Mind
Text: John Milton, 1624
Music: Attr. John Antes, 1790
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Benediction

Benediction Response*

no. 853

We are marching in the light of God; we are marching in the light of God. We are marching in the light of God; we are marching in the of God. We are marching, marching, we are marching, oo, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching, marching, we are marching, oo, we are marching in the light of God.

Postlude

God of Grace
Judy Kabodian, organ

arr. Paul Manz

Floral Dedication



Today's floral arrangements are in *celebration of Marilyn Harding's birthday, on the 25th!* They are given with love by her children: Joel, David & Megan, Michael, and Susan & Paul.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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!

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.

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.

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WEEKLY HAPPENINGS AT THE PEOPLES CHURCH



A.C.H.E.: Adults Connecting Having Events will meet Monday, July 25th at 6:30 p.m. For more information about this young adult group, follow [ache_thepeopleschurch](#) on Instagram or Contact Pastor Devon at dherrell@thepeopleschurch.com.

TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP: The Tuesday morning men's group has started a **new book:** *The Divine Conspiracy: Rediscovering Our Hidden Life in God* by Dallas Willard. Now is a great time to join the group! We continue to meet at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesdays in the Robertson Room.

NEW BIBLE STUDY: Starting August 3rd, the Wednesday Bible Study will become 'Engaging the Word'. Led by Pastor Shawnthea, this group will meet on Zoom from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. The texts discussed will include passages for up-coming sermons along with other topics of interest. The Zoom link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81906921959>. Beginning Monday, September 12th, Engaging the Word will also be offered IN PERSON in the Robertson Room from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Please join us in-person on Mondays or via Zoom on Wednesdays! All are welcome!



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.