

Sanctuary Service

October 9, 2022



THE PEOPLES CHURCH

200 W. Grand River Ave. | East Lansing, MI 48823

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Sunday Schedule

Chapel Service: 8:30 a.m.

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

Sunday School begins after the Children's Moment.

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

Office hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Mon.-Fri., and Sunday mornings. Phones are monitored from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

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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.

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Prelude

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
Clarion Ringers, Directed by Elizabeth Reed

arr. By Valey and Berry

Acolytes

Izaak Biedenbender & Gabe Eysselinck

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: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!
Come into God's presence with singing!

**All: We enter the sanctuary carrying our burdens:
Our joys, our concerns, our faults, and our gifts.**

One: Bless the Lord, all you people!
Set your burdens down in the presence of God.

**All: Our God is a God of mercy and love!
God welcomes everyone and we rejoice.**

One: God hears our prayers, and God responds.
We hear God's word, and we respond.

**All: This is the day and this is the place!
We will make a joyful noise and celebrate God's presence!**

***Gathering Hymn**

Make a Joyful Noise to God! (v. 1-3)

no. 54

*Make a joyful noise to God! All creation sings your praise! Great your wonders here displayed,
unexcelled throughout our days. Glorious is your sacred name, ages old, yet still the same.*

*Come and see what God has done, great the blessings to the just: walked the chosen through
the sea, brought their enemies to dust. Let us lift a thankful voice for God's mercies, and re-
joice.*

*Bless the Lord, our refuge sure, let our songs of praise be heard! By whose justice, we are tried;
by whose grace, our guilt deferred. When our life's sure end shall come, bring us to your heav-
enly home.*

Make a Joyful Noise to God!

Text: Ruth Duck, 1995

Music: Welsh folk Melody; adpt. in *Caniadu y Cyssegr*, 1839

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Prayer of Confession

O Lord, our God, you have searched us and known us. You know not only what we say, but also what we think. You know not only what we say, but also what we almost said. You know how quickly our thoughts rise to praise ourselves because we are successful or healthy or smart, boasting of your gifts as if they were our accomplishments. You know how we complain about your absence in our lives when we are the ones who turned our backs on you. We have wasted our precious time worshipping many small gods while ignoring your glory. We repent of all our sins and ask for your forgiveness, your grace and your healing. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Moment of Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

**Confession Response*

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God (v. 1)

no. 423

Create in me a clean heart, O God;
Create in me a clean heart, O God;
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.

Passing the Peace of Christ

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

Children's Moment

Rev. Dr. Devon Herrell

Anthem

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
Sanctuary Choir, directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed

arr. Mark Hayes

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation. O my soul praise him, for he is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; praise him in glad adoration. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what he ordaineth. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, if with his love he befriend thee. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty One! Lift up your voices in never ending song! Sing to God above! Praise to the Lord! Lift your voice to God! Praise to the Lord, O let all that is within me adore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him! Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly for aye we adore him. Amen!

First Scripture

Psalm 66:1-12

Scripture

Luke 17: 11-19

Sermon

“Thankful”

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

***Hymn of Response**

We Praise You, O God (v. 1-3)

no. 612

We Praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator; in grateful devotion our tribute we bring. We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you; we bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.

We worship you, God of our fathers and mothers; through trial and tempest our guide you have been. When perils o’er take us, you will not forsake us, and with your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.

With voices united our praises we offer and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise. With you, Lord, beside us, your strong arm will guide us. To you, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

We Praise You, O God

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1907

Music: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824

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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

Dialogue for Bells

D. Wagner

Clarion Ringers, Directed by Elizabeth Reed



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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.**

Prayer of Dedication

**Ever-present God, with this offering we present also ourselves: all that we have been,
all that we are, and all that we shall become. We dedicate these gifts and our lives to
your reconciling work in the world. May we walk in the way of Christ all the days of
our lives. Amen.**

***Sending Hymn**

Give Thanks

no. 647

*Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks because we're
given Jesus Christ, the Son.*

*Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks because we're
given Jesus Christ, the Son.*

*And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say; "We are rich because of what the
Lord has done for us!"*

*And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say; "We are rich because of what the
Lord has done for us!" Give Thanks. Give Thanks.*

Give Thanks
Text & Music: Henry Smith, 1978
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***Benediction**

***Benediction Response**

Postlude

Now Thank We All Our God
Judy Kabodian, organist

Sigfrid Karg-Elert



Floral Dedication

Today's floral dedication is given by Darlene Nikoloff,
in memory of Steven Nikoloff for his birthday.

PROGRAMMING AT THE PEOPLES CHURCH

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

PUB THEOLOGY: Pub Theology will meet tomorrow at 6:30 p.m. at Crunchy's with Pastor Devon.

MAKING SENSE OF THE BIBLE: Join Pastor Devon in the Robertson Room at 9:30 a.m. on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays for a lively discussion of scripture and current hot-button issues.

VOICES OF THE COMMUNITY: Held on the first Sunday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Robertson Room, these informative presentations give a voice to various community members on a wide range of topics. On November 6th, Brian Calley will speak on the topic: "Autism: Different, Not Less".

CAMPUS MINISTRY: Campus Ministry meets Sundays at 11:30 a.m. and Tuesdays at 8 p.m. in the College Lounge, and on Mondays at 11 a.m. at Blue Owl Coffee.

PCYG: Combined middle and high school Youth Group will meet today, after church, to participate in the CROP Walk.

ENGAGING THE WORD: Led by Pastor Shawnthea, this group meets in-person on Mondays from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Robertson Room and Wednesdays on Zoom from 9 to 10 a.m. The Zoom link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81906921959>.

WEDNESDAYS AT PEOPLES: A community dinner will be held every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Social Hall, followed by your choice of dance aerobics with Shawnthea Monroe, or bible study with Rev. Dr. Devon Herrell. We hope you can join us for Wednesdays @ Peoples Church!

A.C.H.E. (Grad Student Group): Adults Connecting Having Events will meet on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. 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 is currently reading *The Divine Conspiracy: Rediscovering Our Hidden Life in God* by Dallas Willard. We continue to meet at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesdays in the Robertson Room.

MEN'S WEDNESDAY NOON DISCUSSION GROUP: Join us in the Robertson Room to begin our discussion of the book "Why I Would Have Killed Jesus and You Might Have Too" By David Nelson.

CHICs (CONNECTED HEARTS IN CHRIST): CHICs will meet on Thursday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Robertson Room. If you are interested in joining the group or have questions, contact Beth Lundy at lundybb@comcast.net or (610)246-0029.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CROP WALK: The CROP Hunger Walk is today at 2:00 p.m. at Grace UMC, 1800 Boston Blvd in Lansing. The walk is a 5K (3.2 miles), and people are welcome to run or walk. Wagons and strollers are okay, but bikes, scooters, and roller blades are not permitted. Please consider joining the team or making a donation. To view our team's page, visit this link: <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/team/the-peoples-church>.

HAL LECTURE SERIES - JOHN PAVLOVITZ: We are pleased to invite you to the sixth annual Henry and Annabel Larzelere Lecture Series on October 22 and 23, welcoming best-selling author and pastor, John Pavlovitz. John will preach at our Sunday morning worship service, and in the afternoon he will lead a lecture/discussion on Living a Life of Sustainable Compassion. The Library Committee will have Pavlovitz's latest book: *If God is Love, Don't Be a Jerk* available for purchase before and after the 10:30 service from September 18 to October 16 in anticipation of this event.

TRUNK OR TREAT: Children's Ministry is hosting a Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 30th from 6:00 -7:30 p.m., with a costume parade at 6:30. Come decorate your car, have cider and donuts, and enjoy the enthusiasm of our children during the Halloween season!

JOINING THE PEOPLES CHURCH: Have you previously attended a New Members Class and recently decided you are ready to join the church? Perfect timing - our next New Member Induction is November 13 during the 10:30 a.m. worship service. If interested, please contact Robin Matheson at 517-290-3223 or matheso4@msu.edu by October 31st so we can prepare for your induction.

ALL CHURCH GAME NIGHT: Our first All Church Game Night in 3 years will be Saturday, November 5th from 5:00-8:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. We'll have pizza for dinner while we enjoy board games, euchre, etc. All ages welcome! We are especially looking for youth and older adults to play easier games with very young children, so their parents can play a different game. If you plan on attending, please register on Realm with the QR Code.



FAME (FOSTERING ACADEMICS, MENTORING EXCELLENCE AT MSU): A FAME student is a Spartan who has experienced homelessness, foster care, guardianship, kinship care, adoption or is independent. FAME is working hard to stock their Care Closet, which has been in high demand since the semester started. The biggest needs right now include non-perishable snacks and laundry detergent pods, which can be dropped off in a box behind the Welcome Desk. Additionally, their Amazon Wish List has been updated and can be accessed here:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/13HB1DSNO41M8?ref=wl_share. Anything purchased off of this link will be directly shipped to the FAME office on campus.