

SUNDAY WORSHIP

FEBRUARY 2, 2020

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m.

Worship Service, Chapel

9:30 a.m.

Carol Choir Rehearsal
Confirmation Class
PCYG Bible Exploration
Peoples Forum

10:30 a.m.

Worship Service, Sanctuary

Children's Sunday School

11:30 a.m.

Coppertones Rehearsal
Lunch & Lounge | Campus Ministry
Dance 149

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

5:30 p.m.

Community Meal

6:00 p.m.

Youth Choir Rehearsal
Children's Education

6:30 p.m.

Adult Formation Classes
Peoples Church YouthGroup
Yoga Class

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ACT
justly

LOVE
mercy

WALK
humbly
WITH YOUR
GOD



THE PEOPLES CHURCH

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ASL Interpreted Service

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



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COUNCIL OF ELDERS

Elders meet at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Robertson Room.

Bob Cantrell, Chairperson
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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.



Children through 5th grade are invited to participate in Sunday School following the Children's Moment during service. Please be sure to check-in your child at one of the kiosks located in Friendship Hall, prior to worship service, to receive a name tag for your child. Kathi Mitchell, Children's Christian Education Director, will lead the children to the classrooms on the third floor for Sunday School. At the conclusion of worship, you may pick up your child on the third floor; please show the security code you received at check-in to the teacher.

MAKE A GIFT

Please note, we have a new link for online giving (below):

<https://onrealm.org/thepeopleschurch/Give>

See back page for more information on **REALM!**

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Prelude (8:30 a.m.) "For This Bread and Cup of Blessing" arr. John Scriveyner
Judy Kabodian, organ

Prelude (10:30 a.m.) "There is a Green Hill Far Away" arr. Cynthia Dobrinski
Clarion Ringers, directed by Elizabeth Reed

Welcome to The Peoples Church!

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

Worship is both personal and communal, formal and informal, intimate and casual. Here at The Peoples Church, we recognize that people come to worship God in both joy and pain, faith and doubt, with laughter and with tears. Our worship tries to reflect a desire both for meditation and celebration. Please know you are invited to participate in any and all ways you feel led. Our songs, prayers, words and actions are the works of imperfect people trying to worship a perfect God.

Call to Worship

One: Come into God's house, you who are weary and heavy burdened.
Come in a spirit of reverence, for something holy is happening.

**All: The days have been long and the nights have been hard.
We gather here in the hope that the Spirit will draw near.**

One: The living Christ is in this place because Jesus has called us together.
Listen, for the Word will be proclaimed in this hour.

**All: We stand in need of your presence, Holy God.
Fill us with hope and joy as we praise your holy name!**

Gathering Hymn "Be Thou My Vision" No. 450

Procession of the Light of Christ Brooklyn Burke and Blake Burke, acolytes

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, with trembling lips, we confess that we have wandered far from you. We have trusted in the world's wisdom and allowed ourselves to be swayed by money and power. We have measured our worth in possessions and positions. We have been unkind in our speech and uncaring in our deeds. We have pretended that evil is not real and our actions are always pure. Forgive all our sins and errors. Give us the strength and the faith to do what you require. We pray all this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Moment of Silence and Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Response "Restore in Us, O God" (verse 1) No. 434
**Restore in us, O God, the splendor of your love;
renew your image in our hearts, and all our sins remove.**

First Reading Psalm 15
(Pew Bible Page 542; Large Print 782)

Passing the Peace of Christ *(Please stand if able)*

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

Sacrament of Baptism/Children's Moment (10:30 a.m.)

Aurora Bauer

Born May 9, 2019

Daughter of Cameron and Courtney Bauer

Call to Celebrate New Life

Words of Institution

Presentation

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

Congregation: **By God's grace, we do.**

Elder: 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.**

Prayer

Baptism

Congregational Response: **We thank you God for Aurora! Bless her and keep her, now and forever. Amen.**

Presentation of Gifts

Welcome

Solo (8:30 a.m.)

"Offertory"

Ben Maines, tenor

John Ness Beck

Anthem (10:30 a.m.)

"Offertory"

Sanctuary Choir, directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed

John Ness Beck

Second Reading

Micah 6:1-8

(Pew Bible Page 932; Large Print 1,417)

Sermon

"What Does God Want?"

Dr. Monroe

Prayers of the People & 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 (10:30 a.m.)

"Green Pastures"

Bob Burroughs

Act of Praise

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

Prayer of Dedication

O God, we dedicate this offering to Your work through this church. May all our gifts be used to bring justice to the oppressed, welcome to the outcast, and love to the broken hearted. Once again, we commit ourselves to walking with Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Communion

Communion Hymns

"Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters"

No. 490

"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

No. 509

"Bread of the World and Mercy Broken"

No. 499

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Thank you, God, for inviting us to this table. Thank you for the presence and power of your Spirit. Help us to be the church: to act justly, to love faithfully, and to live as Christ lived. Amen.

Sending Hymn

"O For a World"

No. 372

Benediction

Benediction Response

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.**

Postlude

"Recessional"

C.S. Lang

LEANING INTO LENT

The season of Lent is just around the corner. During this time, people often give something up or take on new habits. We are encouraging people to join small groups during the season of Lent this year and are looking for people to host small groups—6-10 people, for 6 weeks and facilitate the conversation. We will be using April Yamaski's book, *Lent: Christ is for Us*. There are readings that go along with the lectionary passages for the coming Sunday and questions to help encourage conversation. If you are interested in hosting or attending a group, please contact Pastor Drew or fill out the sign-up sheet at the back of this bulletin and return in the offertory plate.

SERMON PREVIEW BIBLE STUDY

Join Dr. Monroe on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the Robertson Room for a lively discussion and study of the scripture text for the upcoming sermon. Text this week is Matthew 5: 13-20. All are welcome!

THE PEOPLES FORUM

On February 9, The Peoples Forum welcomes Caroline Jacobs, who will lead a discussion on Edgewood Village. Join us at 9:30 a.m. in the Robertson Room.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

Join us each Wednesday night for a community meal at 5:30 p.m. in Snider Social Hall, followed by adult programming in the Robertson Room at 6:30 p.m.

THE JERICO EFFECT

The Women of Peoples Church are happy to welcome Rev. Case Van Kempen on **February 18** for a presentation on his new book, *The Jericho Effect: What if We Tried it God's Way for a Change?* Join us for light refreshments at 10:00 a.m. in the Robertson Room.



GREAT DECISIONS

Our next *Great Decisions* Program is scheduled for **February 27**, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., in the Robertson Room. Dr. Jeffrey Andresen, MSU Professor of Geography and State of Michigan Climatologist, will lead a discussion on the critical topic of Climate Change. Climate change has become one of the defining issues of our time. As much of the world bands together to come up with a plan, the U.S. remains the notable holdout. What is the rest of the world doing to combat climate change? What impact will the effects of climate change have on global geopolitics?

REBEKAH/HANNAH CIRCLE

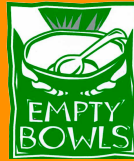
The Rebekah/Hannah Circle will meet on **February 26** at 1:00 p.m. in the Robertson Room. Our guest speaker will be Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe and our program will focus on "A Vision of The Peoples Church and Women's Circles." All are welcome.

DEBORAH CIRCLE

The Deborah Circle will meet on **February 19** at 6:30 p.m. in the Snider Social Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

PEOPLES 101

Join us **TODAY** in the Robertson Room at 11:30 a.m. for Peoples 101 and learn more about The Peoples Church. This informational meeting lasts approximately 30 minutes; all are welcome!



FEBRUARY 9
(following the 10:30 a.m. worship)

SNIDER SOCIAL HALL

The Empty Bowls Chili Cook-Off is back! Members of the Greater Lansing Potters Guild have generously donated some of their best hand-crafted bowls for sale with proceeds benefiting Southside Community Kitchen. We need chili entries, volunteers, and of course bowl buyers and chili tasters! Prizes will be awarded for the top three vote-getters in two divisions: Youth and Adult (18+). To sign up to be a volunteer, go to The Peoples Church website (homepage), click on the Chili Cook-Off news event and sign up. Don't miss this fabulous event!



FEBRUARY 23
(following the 10:30 a.m. worship)

SNIDER SOCIAL HALL

Come One, Come All! Our family fun event—The Peoples Church Carnival—is coming soon! Join us for carnival games, food, and of course, FUN!

Everyone is welcome and bring your friends!



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

FEBRUARY 26, 2020

8:00 a.m. & Noon—McCune Chapel

5:30 p.m.—A soup & bread dinner held in Snider Social Hall

6:30 p.m.—Sanctuary

Imposition of ashes at all services.

LEANING INTO LENT SMALL GROUP SIGN-UP



NAME(S): _____

PHONE OR EMAIL: _____

- I AM INTERESTED IN **HOSTING** A LEANING INTO LENT SMALL GROUP
- I AM INTERESTED IN **ATTENDING** A LEANING INTO LENT SMALL GROUP

Please return sign-up form in the offertory plate or to the church office.