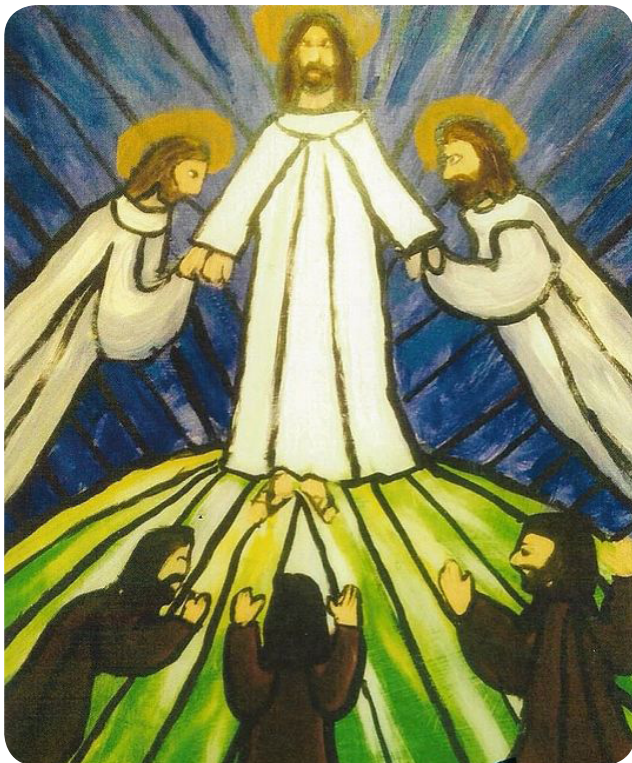


SUNDAY WORSHIP

MARCH 3, 2019



*"When they looked up, they saw
no one except Jesus."*

Matthew 17:8

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

6:10 p.m.

Youth Choir

6:30 p.m.

High School Youth Group

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 Youth Group
Campus Ministry Bible Study
Yoga Class



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COUNCIL OF ELDERS

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

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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.



Don't miss out on weekly happenings, here, at The Peoples Church.

Sign up, today, for our Friday email by going to ThePeoplesChurch.com and enter your email address toward the bottom of the homepage.

ASL Interpreted Service

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



ORDER OF WORSHIP | MARCH 3, 2019

Prelude

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent"
Judy Kabodian, organ

arr. Richard Warner

Welcome to The Peoples Church!

Rev. Case Van Kempen

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 (composed by R. Smith, Apple Valley, MN)

Leader: Beyond our busyness, above the cold winter floor, there is a glory rising born of heaven and reaching out to each one of us;

People: A light that shines through the clouds, an invitation seeking all of who we are that transfigures the world;

Leader: That transforms darkness into hope, that brings life from a cross where old life ends and new life is born.

People: In glory Jesus meets us here, raising us from depths of valley to the height of the mountain, carrying the weight of our humanity to the heights of heaven's glory.

Leader: Let us worship from the mountain and hear again, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"

Gathering Hymn

"Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain"

No. 193

Procession of the Light of Christ

Abigail Schuette and Blake Burke, acolytes

Call to Confession

Leader: Let us gather before our shining Savior to confess our sins that we might be forgiven.

Prayer of Confession

All: God of Mercy and Grace, you come to us in Jesus of Nazareth to break down the dividing walls of hostility between us, yet we maintain walls that separate and isolate. You give us the ministry of reconciliation, yet we nurse our wounds and withhold mercy and forgiveness. You invite us to join with Peter, James, and John on the mountain of Transfiguration, yet we deny the wonders you have worked in our own lives. Forgive our lack of vision and understanding, we pray. Transform us by your Spirit and your Word into that which pleases you, the image of Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, hear the good news of the Gospel: the brilliance of Christ's presence before us outshines the darkness of our sin. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Alleluia! Amen!

Congregational Response "Take, O Take Me as I Am" No. 698
**Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be;
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me. (Repeat)**

First Reading Matthew 16:24-28
(Pew Bible Page 983; Large Print 1,496)

Solo "In This Moment of Remembrance" Dale Wood
Christine Roberts, mezzo-soprano

Communion

Communion Hymns "An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare" No. 202
"Break Thou the Bread of Life" No. 460
"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" No. 347


Children's Moment (10:30 a.m.)

Youth Choir Anthem (10:30 a.m.) "Amazing Grace" arr. Francisco Núñez
*Youth Choir, directed by Elizabeth Reed
Luke Nuñez, soloist*

Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Second Reading Matthew 17:1-8
(Pew Bible Page 983; Large Print 1,496)

Sermon "Glory Revealed" Rev. Case Van Kempen
 [#Connect2TPC #TPCsermon](https://twitter.com/Connect2TPC)

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.

Thanksgiving and Dedication of Gifts

Offertory (10:30 a.m.)

"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"
Sanctuary Choir, directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed

arr. William Fisher

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

Majestic God, your glory is far greater than we can describe; we praise and worship you. Thank you for sending your Son Jesus to reveal the light of your will. Please help us to listen closely to your Word and Spirit. We commit ourselves anew to your service through our gifts and offerings. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Sending Hymn

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

No. 620

Benediction

Congregational response: "**Jesus is Lord!**"

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

"Fanfares"

Jean Joseph Mouret



**Floral Dedication:
Given to the glory of God.**

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

March 6 is Ash Wednesday. Join us here, at The Peoples Church, for imposition of ashes. We will be holding three services on Wednesday; 8:00 a.m. and noon in the McCune Chapel and one during WNL! at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We will still hold our community meal at 5:30 p.m. in Friendship Hall.



Pastor Drew will lead a video series, *Transforming Through Love*, during WNL! on **March 13, 20 & 27**, where we will tackle the mission God has created us for and how we might accomplish it in this world.

STORY TIME: MARCH 10!

March kicks off reading month and all children (and parents) are welcome to participate in our upcoming story time. Join Pastor Case following the 10:30 a.m. worship service on **March 10** in the library to listen to a fun story read by Pastor Case himself! Our ASL Interpreter will be joining us as well.

THE READING PEOPLE

Everyone is invited to join the WPC book club, *The Reading People*, for a lively discussion about interesting, inspiring and thought-provoking books. Book Club meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the library. Our next meeting will be held on **March 21** and will feature the book, *Unlearning God: How Unbelieving Helped Me Believe*, by Phillip Gulley. Mary Anne Larzelere will host our discussion. Look for more information about The Reading People in the monthly *Portal* newsletter.

PEOPLES FORUM



On **March 10**, the Peoples Forum welcomes Gene Cornelius, a WWII Marine survivor. Join us in the Robertson Room at 9:30 a.m. to listen to Gene's fascinating story!

WPC JEWELRY SALE COMING IN MAY!

The Women of Peoples Church Annual Jewelry Sale is happening in May. Donations of jewelry, purses, scarves, puzzles, etc. are being accepted. If you have any items to donate, please drop off in the church office during normal business hours (9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Mon - Fri).



ANNUAL BOOK SALE HAPPENING IN MAY!

The Library Committee will be hosting their annual book sale the weekend of **May 18-19, 2019**. The committee is collecting book donations now; please place your donations in Snider Social Hall at the back of the stage.



WPC STRAWBERRY BREAKFAST

The Women of Peoples Church will host their annual Strawberry Breakfast on **May 4, 2019** from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in the Snider Social Hall. A full breakfast will be served and will include strawberry shortcake! Pastor Case will present on our continuing theme of "Kindness." Tickets are \$8 for an individual or \$40 for a table of eight. Tickets will be sold each Sunday following worship services beginning April 14.

MARCH 6, 2019



Ash Wednesday

8:00 a.m. & Noon—McCune Chapel

5:30 p.m.—A soup & bread supper held in Friendship Hall

6:30 p.m.—Sanctuary

Imposition of ashes at all services.

All people of faith are called to care for God's Creation. Because Michigan still generates more than 1/3 of its electricity by burning coal, conserving energy is one important way The Peoples Church can help repair the world. The Peoples Church is hosting an Energy Efficiency workshop on **Sunday, March, 17**, as a part of Caring for God's Creation. Learn how to save money, how to take advantage of the free Consumers Energy's Home Energy Analysis program, and how to earn a gift of up to \$5,000 cash for The Peoples Church!

Caring for God's Creation Workshop sponsored by Consumers Energy.

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Sunday, March 17th at 11:30am
in Snider Social Hall
Lunch provided

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ALL CHURCH CARNIVAL

MARCH 24, 2019 • SNIDER SOCIAL HALL

Everyone is invited to participate in the Carnival following 10:30 a.m. worship on March 24 in the Snider Social Hall.

This popular event is perfect for the young and young at heart!

Games, prizes and food!



JEWELRY & USED BOOK SALE

MAY 18-19, 2019

**MORE DETAILS
ANNOUNCED SOON!**

Presented by:
The Women of Peoples Church &
The Peoples Church Fishbach Library Committee

