

# PALM SUNDAY APRIL 14, 2019



Matthew 21:9

## 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

**6:10 p.m.**

Youth Choir

**6:30 p.m.**

High School Youth Group

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**WEDNESDAY  
NIGHT LIVE!**

**will return on  
April 24.**



**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.

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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.

## READ THE PORTAL!

The *Portal* newsletter is the best source of information for the latest and most up-to-date news and events. It comes out at the beginning of each month and is included in the weekly Friday email. Or be sure to grab a hard copy located at the Welcome Desk or in the church office.

## ASL Interpreted Service

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



# PALM SUNDAY ORDER OF WORSHIP | APRIL 14, 2019

**Prelude** (8:30 a.m.)

"Lamb of God, Pure and Holy"

Johann Pachelbel

*Judy Kabodian, organ*

**Prelude** (10:30 a.m.)

"A Festive Intrada"

Cynthia Dobrinski

*Clarion Ringers, directed by Elizabeth Reed*

## **Welcome to The Peoples Church!**

Rev. Betsy Aho

*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.*

## **Scout Troop 2 Welcome**

### **Call to Worship**

Leader: God, we gather on this day to begin a week of contrasts: from hope to despair to hope again.

**People: As we begin the week, as we join with the crowd, help us cut through the noise to see what is happening and what is at stake.**

Leader: As the story unfolds, open us to both the hope and the pain.

**People: In this time of worship, prepare us to celebrate, to weep, and to wait.**

Leader: We pray in the name of the one who leads the parade.

**People: We pray as we gather today, calling out, Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!**

### **Hymn of Praise**

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

No. 196

### **Procession of the Light of Christ**

Evie Laxton and Anna Harvey, acolytes

### **Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon**

**People: Jesus, our Lord, we shout hosannas to praise you. With eager hands, we place our cloaks and palms on the path before you. Yet Lord, we confess that the mouths that seek to praise you often deny or defy you. And we confess that the hands that seek to serve you often become fists. Lord, hear us as we confess where we have gone astray...**

{Time of silent confession}

Leader: Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

**People: For Christ came into the world not to condemn the world, but that the world should be saved through him.**

Leader: Therefore, be imitators of Christ, as beloved children.

**People: And walk in love, knowing Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. Hosanna! Amen.**

**Anthem** (10:30 a.m.)

"To the Cross, Lord, Lead Us Singing"  
*Sanctuary Choir, directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed*

David Lantz III

**First Reading**

Zechariah 9: 9-10  
(Pew Bible Page 1,451; Large Print 953)

**Communion** (8:30 a.m.)

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

**Passing the Peace of Christ**

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

**Sacrament of Holy Baptism** (10:30 a.m.)

Rev. Drew Filkins

Addisyn Hueter • Jacob Hueter • Madilyn Hueter  
All three born August 3, 2018

**Statement of Faith**

**We believe the teachings of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and with the help of God, we will strive daily to live the life of purity, unselfishness and service which He exemplified to the world.**

**Baptism Hymn**

"Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters"

No. 490

**Second Reading**

Matthew 21: 1-17  
(Pew Bible Page 988; Large Print 1,503)

**Sermon**

"Fleeting Hosannas"

Rev. Betsy Aho

 [#Connect2TPC #TPCsermon](https://twitter.com/Connect2TPC)

**Recognition of Peoples Church Campus Ministry Graduates** (10:30 a.m.)

Dayzee Card • Marilyn Hecht • Erin Uhelski

**Prayer of Blessing & 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.)

"Rejoice, The Lord Is King"

arr. Arnold B. Sherman

**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**

**Dear God, receive our offering. Guide those who use it, that it may help to bring  
fullness of life to those who live in need and long for our care. Amen.**

**Sending Hymn**

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

No. 197

**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**

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

arr. Janet Linker



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

## TROOP 2 PANCAKE BRUNCH: TODAY!

Join the Troop 2 Scouts downstairs, in the Snider Social Hall, immediately following today's 10:30 a.m. worship service for their annual pancake brunch fundraiser!

## THE READING PEOPLE

The Reading People will meet on **April 18** for a discussion on the book, "Things Fall Apart," by Chinua Achebe. Join us from 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the Robertson Room. Everyone is welcome.

## FOOD & FELLOWSHIP

Mark your calendars! Join us after the 10:30 a.m. worship service for lunch and fellowship on **April 28** at Coral Gables in East Lansing. No need to RSVP! The Welcome Ministry has tables reserved for The Peoples Church. All ages welcome.



There will not be any WNL! programming on **April 17** in recognition of Holy Week. Be sure to join us in the Robertson Room at 6:30 p.m. next Wednesday, April 24.

## PEOPLES FORUM

There will not be a Peoples Forum held on **April 21** in recognition of Easter. Join us in the Robertson Room at 9:30 a.m. on April 28 when we hear from a representative from the Board of Water and Light who will give a presentation about Earth Day.

## DORCAS CIRCLE

Dorcas Circle will meet on **April 16** at 7:00 p.m. in the Robertson Room. Our speaker is Margie Steinkamp talking about "Making Pottery."

## PHOEBE CIRCLE

Phoebe Circle will meet **April 24** at Pat Brogan's Home at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Case will be the guest speaker sharing trends of main line churches and discussing the position of The Peoples Church. For directions to Pat's home, please call her at 517.337.1446. Everyone is invited and friends, too!

## HELP DELIVER EASTER FOOD BASKETS

Help families in the greater Lansing area have a wonderful meal on Easter Sunday. Volunteer drivers are needed to help deliver Easter Food Baskets on **Saturday, April 20 at 9:00 a.m.** We will meet at Market Fresh on the corner of Jolly and MLK. Interested? Sign up on the form located below.

## YES! I WANT TO HELP DELIVER EASTER FOOD BASKETS ON APRIL 20 AT 9:00 a.m.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_



## GREAT DECISIONS

On **April 25**, Dr. Russell Lucas from the MSU James Madison College, will be our guest speaker for our Great Decisions series. Dr. Lucas will discuss the turmoil that continues in the Middle East and how the Trump administration has aligned itself with Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Egypt, which along with Israel, have a common goal of frustrating Iranian expansion. Join us for this lively discussion in the Robertson Room from 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

## EARTH DAY

The Earth Stewardship Committee invites you to celebrate Earth Day on April 28. Stop by Friendship Hall before or after worship for information and opportunities to be a good steward of God's creation.

## HOLY WEEK 2019



### **PALM SUNDAY | APRIL 14**

8:30 a.m. - Chapel

10:30 a.m. - Sanctuary



### **MAUNDY THURSDAY | APRIL 18**

6:30 p.m. - Chapel (with communion)



### **GOOD FRIDAY | APRIL 19**

6:30 p.m. - Sanctuary (with Choir)



### **EASTER SUNDAY | APRIL 21**

7:00 a.m. - Sunrise Service in Chapel (with communion)

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. - Sanctuary (with Brass)

## SAVE THE DATE

### **TO MARS & BEYOND!**

**JUNE 17 - 21, 2019**

**WOLDUMAR NATURE CENTER**



Blast off with the first VBS to land on the moon! Kids discover the wonders of God's universe—they'll become voyagers on a journey through space, exploring where God's power can take them and they will blast off to distant planets on special missions to collect power sources. Along the way they'll also learn how God walked with heroes of the Bible and that God is always with them, too. It will be an out-of-this-world learning experience! Sign up information to come soon.



## *The WPC Annual Strawberry Breakfast*

**May 4, 2019 • 10:00 a.m.**

**Snider Social Hall**

**Join the Women of Peoples Church for fellowship, a presentation  
and of course a full breakfast, including a classic,  
strawberry shortcake!**

**Special Guest: Pastor Case**

**Tickets: \$8 each or  
\$40 per table of 8.**

*(Tickets will be sold beginning April 14)*



*spring cleanup*

**Many hands make light work . . . Mark your calendars for our annual  
Spring Yard Clean Up day. Join us from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on May 4 as  
we work to tidy up the church campus.**

**I WANT TO HELP ON SPRING YARD CLEAN UP DAY! | 9 A.M. - NOON ON MAY 4**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

I will bring my own:  Rakes  Trimmers  Blower  Hedge Trimmer  Ext. Cords  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

*Questions? Contact Matt Gosselin at 517.484.6813 or [mattcatgosselin@comcast.net](mailto:mattcatgosselin@comcast.net). Return this form to the church office or in the offertory plate.*