



# SUNDAY WORSHIP JANUARY 19, 2014

## 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 expected and encouraged during worship.

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

**8:30 a.m.** - Early Service  
in the McCune Chapel

**10:30 a.m.** - Family Service  
in the Sanctuary

**6:00 p.m.** - SoJo Community  
in the Robertson Room.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

**9:30 a.m.** - Faith Formation  
Programs for Children, Teens  
and Adults.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE

**5:30 p.m.** - Community Meal  
in Snider Social Hall

**6:30 p.m.** - Faith-based  
Programs for All Ages

**THE PEOPLES CHURCH**  
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[ThePeoplesChurch.com](http://ThePeoplesChurch.com)

## OFFICE HOURS

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## COUNCIL OF ELDERS

The Council meets at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Robertson Room.

**Crystal Branta**, Chairperson

Pastor Andrew and his family are out of town through Jan. 25.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK ...

### MONDAY, JANUARY 20

CHURCH CLOSED - MLK DAY

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 21

11:15 a.m. Preschool Creative  
Movement Class (G)  
4:00 p.m. Great Decisions (RR)  
7:00 p.m. Dorcas Circle (RR)

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

8:00 a.m. Sermon Preview Bible Study (RR)  
9:00 a.m. Phoebe Circle (RR)  
5:30 p.m. WNL Community Meal (SSH)  
6 / 6:30 p.m. WNL Programs

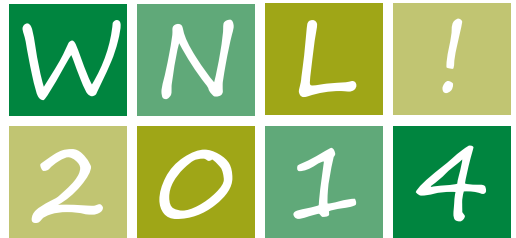
### THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

7:00 a.m. Men's Study Group (RR)  
12:00 p.m. Men's Study Group (L)  
6:30 p.m. Thursdays with Jesus (RR)  
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (S)

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

8:30 a.m. Worship Service (C)  
9:00 a.m. Carol Choir (CC)  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service (S)  
11:30 a.m. Church Carnival (SSH)  
12:00 p.m. Highland Dance (G)  
6:00 p.m. SoJo (RR)

**ROOM KEY:** C = Chapel; CC=Children's Chapel  
CTR = Centennial Room; CR = Choir Room; G = Gymnasium;  
FH = Friendship Hall; L = Library; N = Newton; R = Rotunda;  
RR = Robertson Room; S = Sanctuary; SSH = Snider Social Hall;  
TL = The Lounge; YP = Youth Parlor



*Wednesday Night Live!*

**5:30 P.M.**

**COMMUNITY MEAL**

**6:00 P.M.**

**LITURGICAL DANCE** (K-5th)

**YOUTH CHOIR** (6-12th)

**FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY**

*(Starts Jan. 29. Register at [DaveRamsey.com](http://DaveRamsey.com))*

**6:30 P.M.**

**HOLY MOLY** (K-5th)

**PCYG** (6th-12th)

**LOVE LIFE** (Campus Ministry)

**SPIRITUAL GIFTS** WITH PASTOR DREW

**FAITH & FITNESS** WITH PASTOR ANDREW

*(Starts Jan. 29.)*

## CHURCH CARNIVAL!

**Next Sunday, January 26, 2013**

*Following the 10:30 a.m.*

*worship service in Snider Social Hall.*

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**JANUARY 19, 2014**

**Prelude** "Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices" arr. Michael Burkhardt

**Welcome to The Peoples Church!** Rev. Drew Filkins

*Please pass the Friendship Roster located at the end of your pew.*

**Call to Worship** (Inspired by Psalm 40)

O God, you call us by name to come,  
and we respond with delight and gladness  
**In joyful obedience, we come to worship our God.**

Rising out of the depths of despair,  
we gratefully gather for worship.  
**In joyful hope, we come to worship our loving God.**

Our Lord has given us a new song  
of praise to sing to our Awesome God!  
**In joyful trust, we come to worship our God. Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn** "Open My Eyes, That I May See" **No. 451**  
*(Please stand if able.)*

**Old Testament Reading** Psalm 40:1-11  
(Pew Bible Page 559, Large Print Page 811)

**Anthem** *Sanctuary Choir directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed*

**Prayer of Confession**

**Nurturing God, we have chased after foolish things, and spent our strength on vanity; our labor has been in vain. Deliver us from arrogance and forgive our self-concern, that we may find our reward with you, as servants of your dream. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

**Celebration of Holy Communion** (8:30 a.m.)

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

*Young people are invited to participate in McCune Chapel at this time  
and will return to the sanctuary during the Offertory.*

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

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

**Prayers of the People**

*(During the pastoral prayer there will be a time to offer prayers of joy and concern, voiced aloud or  
silently for and on behalf of others.)*

**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.**

**New Testament Reading**

John 1:29-42

(Pew Bible Page 1,063, Large Print Page 1,615)

**Sermon**

"Lamb of God"

Rev. Drew Filkins

**Offertory**

"Softly and Tenderly, Jesus Is Calling"

arr. Dale Wood

**Act of Praise** *(Please stand if able.)*

**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.**

**Prayer of Dedication**

**We give you thanks, O loving God, that you have placed in the hearts of  
your faithful people the gift of generosity and the desire to do your will.  
Use these gifts to proclaim good news to every nation and restore all  
people to Christ. Amen.**

**Sending Hymn**  
*(Please stand if able.)*

“Wild and Lone the Prophet’s Voice”

No. 163

**Benediction** *(Please stand if able.)*

**Benediction Response** *(Please stand if able.)*

**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**

“Temples Eternal”

F. Melius Christiansen

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**IMPORTANT:** A congregational meeting will take place during the 10:30 a.m. worship service next Sunday, January 26. The Council of Elders will present its proposed 2014 church operations budget for approval.

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# PEOPLES NEWS

## *& Opportunities*

### CONNECT

#### **HEARTS ON FIRE CHILI COOK-OFF & EMPTY BOWL FUNDRAISER**

Join us for the annual Chili Cook-Off on Sunday, Feb. 9, in Snider Social Hall following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Members of the Greater Lansing Pottery Guild have generously donated some of their best bowls for the Empty Bowl Fundraiser. Proceeds will benefit Haven House. We'll also have a friendly tasting competition, complete with prizes. We still need chili chefs, tasters and diners. Contact Kim Gools of the Welcome Ministry at [kgools@yahoo.com](mailto:kgools@yahoo.com), and let her know if you'll be bringing your chili for the competition. The more the merrier!



### GROW

#### **THURSDAYS WITH JESUS**

Join our current series "The Life and Ministry of the Messiah" by Ray Vander Laan as our study guide. There is a video and discussion questions each week with personal study for home. The study guide costs \$10. All women are welcome to join us from 6:45 to 8:30 p.m. in the Robertson Room.

#### **THE READING PEOPLE**

Join us at 1:30 p.m. on Feb. 20 in the Robertson Room for discussion on "The End of Your Life Book Club" by Will Schealbe.

#### **FAITH & FITNESS WITH PASTOR ANDREW**

This will be a five-week class focused on biblical perspectives related to healthy diets, exercise and physical fitness. This series begins at 6:30 p.m. on Jan. 29.

#### **GREAT DECISIONS: DEFENSE AND THE RISE OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES**

Join us at 4:30 p.m. on Jan. 21 in the Robertson Room with David Wiley, a Professor of Sociology at MSU.

#### **SPIRITUAL GIFTS WITH PASTOR DREW**

We all have talents and abilities that God has given us. Pastor Drew will help you discover your spiritual gifts. This class is offered weekly on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. and Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

#### **ANNUAL MEN'S RETREAT**

The winter retreat "Ministry and Leadership in the 21st Century" is scheduled for Feb. 21-23. Pick up a registration flyer at the Welcome Center.

#### **DORCAS CIRCLE**

The Dorcas Circle meets at 7 p.m. on Jan. 21 in the Robertson Room with a program on creating interior dish gardens with Brian from VanAtta's Greenhouse and Flower Shop.

#### **PHOEBE CIRCLE**

The Phoebe Circle meets at 9 a.m. on Jan. 22 in the Robertson Room.

#### **THE KNITTING PEOPLE**

Join us at 1 p.m. on Jan. 23 in the Robertson Room. Knitters of all skills, including beginners, are welcome to create prayer shawls, baby baptismal blankets, and baby hats together.



## DID YOU KNOW?

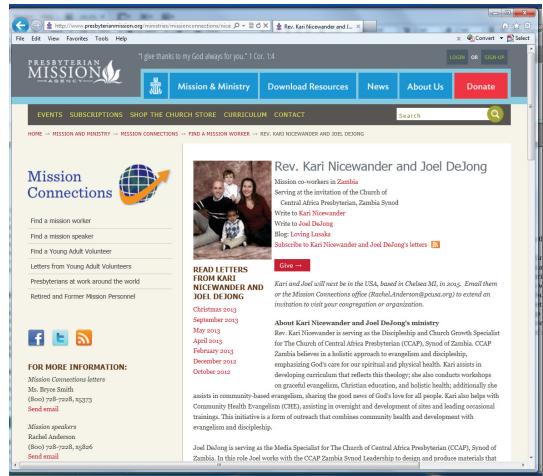
# WE SUPPORT TWO MISSIONARIES IN ZAMBIA

*NOTE: The Peoples Church is an official congregational member of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), The United Methodist Church, the American Baptist Churches USA and the United Church of Christ. Our members come from a number of theological backgrounds in addition to our four parent denominations, though it is helpful to understand the mission and ministry of these four churches. Each month we will focus on one of our four denominations with particular attention paid to missionaries, polity, theology, and current ministries. In January, we are looking at the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)*

The Peoples Church supports mission co-workers in Zambia. The Rev. Kari Nicewander and Joel DeJong serve at the invitation of the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian, Zambia Synod.

Kari and Joel, with their two sons, ages 6 and 4, most recently served in East Lansing, where Kari was a pastor on staff at Edgewood Church of Christ. They began their service in Zambia in fall 2012.

Rev. Nicewander assists in developing curriculum that reflects a holistic theology through workshops on graceful evangelism, Christian education, and health. Additionally she assists in community-based evangelism, sharing the good news of God's love for all people.



Joel is serving as the Media Specialist for The Church of Central Africa Presbyterian. In this role, Joel works with the Zambia Synod Leadership to design and produce materials that effectively share stories of the important ministries of CCAP.

Kari and Joel receive support from a variety of congregations and we are happy to count ourselves as mission partners in their calling. They will return on furlough in 2015 and hope to visit with The Peoples Church at that time to share their missionary stories.

You can discover more about their call, as well as offer additional direct support, at <http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/missionconnections/nicewander-kari-and-de-jong-joel/>.

## GIVE

### THANK YOU: FOOD BASKET COMMITTEE

*A grateful "Thank You" to the Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Basket Committee members and church volunteer delivery drivers for providing more than 600 meals to families in the greater Lansing area. Without your assistance, kindness and spirit, this would not have been possible.*

*- Joan Wright, Food Basket Committee*

## SERVE

### LOOKING FOR LEGOS

The Children's Christian Education program is looking for Lego building blocks – ALL kinds (Star Wars, girls, boys, new or old). If you or anyone you know would be interested in donating used or new Lego building blocks, contact Meaghan Gonzales at 517.908.4447 or deliver them to the church office.

### WPC JEWELRY SALE

The Women of Peoples Church are accepting donations for their next Jewelry & More Sale. Donations are tax deductible and can be dropped off at the church office.



A Lego Epiphany: “**Lego Magi visit the infant Jesus**” as built by children during the Holy Moly program Wednesday evening.

## SIGN ME UP

*Please return your completed form with payment in the Sunday offering plate or to the church office.*

### SEE 'THE LEGO MOVIE' WITH THE PEOPLES CHURCH

\_\_\_ Yes, I (We) want to see “The Lego Movie” with The Peoples Church!

\_\_\_ Yes, I (We) plan on attending the meal afterward.

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

**No. of Tickets** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Saturday, February 8**

**NCG Eastwood Cinemas** (*We will meet there.*)

**Showtime: TBD**

**Tickets: \$7.00 each.**

*Admission includes ticket, popcorn and beverage.*

*A meal will be served afterward at The Peoples Church.*



Questions? Contact Meaghan Gonzales, Children's Christian Education Director, at 517.908.4447 or [mgonzales@thepeopleschurch.com](mailto:mgonzales@thepeopleschurch.com).