



# SUNDAY WORSHIP

## JULY 20, 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

**9:30 a.m.** - Family Service  
in the Sanctuary

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

**5:30 p.m.** - Community Meal  
and Worship Experience in  
Friendship Hall

### THE PEOPLES CHURCH

200 W. Grand River Ave.  
East Lansing, MI 48823  
517.332.5073

[ThePeoplesChurch.com](http://ThePeoplesChurch.com)



Join the fun each  
Wednesday evening  
as we gather for  
a community cook out  
in Friendship Hall at  
**5:30 p.m.** Worship with  
communion follows at  
**6:15 p.m.** in the Chapel.

**JULY 23 & 30 |**  
**Pastor Andrew Discusses**  
**His Doctoral Thesis**

**AUGUST 6, 13 & 20 |**  
**Taize Prayer Services**



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## COUNCIL OF ELDERS

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

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## OFFICE HOURS

The Church Office is open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and on Sunday mornings. Call 517.332.5073.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

### MONDAY, JULY 21

11:00 a.m. Monday Morning Bible (CTR)  
5:30 p.m. Nominating Committee (L)

### TUESDAY, JULY 22

9:15 a.m. Staff Meeting (CTR)  
11:15 a.m. Preschool Creative Movement (G)  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 2

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

8:00 a.m. Sermon Prep Group (RR)  
5:30 p.m. WNL! Community Meal (FH)  
6:15 p.m. WNL! Pastor Andrew's Thesis

### THURSDAY, JULY 24

7:00 a.m. Men's Study Group (RR)  
1:00 p.m. Men's Study Group (L)  
1:30 p.m. Reading People (RR)

### SATURDAY, JULY 26

9:00 a.m. Marriage Prep (RR)

### SUNDAY, JULY 27

8:30 a.m. Worship Service (C)  
9:30 a.m. Worship Service (S)

**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

**Prelude**

“Fantasy in A Minor”

J.S. Bach

**Welcome to The Peoples Church!**

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

**Call to Worship** (Adapted from Isaiah 55)

We come seeking the Lord while he may be found  
and calling on him while he is near.

**Let us forsake our evil ways and unrighteous thoughts  
and turn to the Lord.**

“For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
and your ways are not my ways,” declares the Lord.

**We come seeking the Lord;  
the Lord of peace, understanding and grace. Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn**

*(Please stand if able.)*

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

No. 327

**Prayer of Confession**

**We have promised to live as your people, God. Yet, we confess that we fail you and one another. We do not honor one another as we should. As the body of Christ, we are often disjointed and clumsy, angry and power hungry. We do not work together as one to your glory. We refuse your cry for help in the voices of the poor and hungry. We have not been faithful to the trust you have placed in us. Merciful God, receive us as we are, and forgive us. Encourage us with your love that we may commit ourselves anew to live as those who belong to you; through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

Hear the good news: In the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, we learn that God’s love has no bounds. In Christ we are forgiven and empowered to begin anew. Thanks be to God!

## **First Reading**

Isaiah 55:6-12  
(Pew Bible Page 737, Large Print Page 1,112)

## **Children's Moment**

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

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Children are invited to gather in the McCune Chapel at this time.  
They will return to the sanctuary during the Offertory.*

## **Second Reading**

Luke 15:11-32  
(Pew Bible Page 1,048, Large Print Page 1,592)

## **Sermon**

"Your Ways Are Not My Ways"

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## **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.**

## **Offertory**

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" arr. Moses Hogan  
*Jimmy Finch, baritone*

## **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. Amen.**

## **Prayer of Dedication**

**Ever present God, with this offering we present also ourselves, all that we have been, all that we are, all that we shall become, and our resolve to walk in your way. Accept us and our offering, we pray. Amen.**

***Sending Hymn***

“Come! Live in the Light!”

No. 749

***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***

“Voluntary on the Old Hundredth”

Henry Purcell

***Today's Floral Offering***

*Given in memory of David VanLooy by Dorothy, Chip and Denice VanLooy*

# PEOPLES NEWS

## *& Opportunities*

### CONNECT

#### **5K JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT - AUG. 3**

Immediately after the 9:30 a.m. worship service on Aug. 3, Pastor Andrew will lead a group of runners and walkers on a fun 5K through MSU's campus. Refreshments and fellowship in the friendship hall will follow.

#### **WE'RE GOING TO THE BALLGAME - AUG. 24**

Enjoy an afternoon of Lugnuts baseball with your family and Peoples Church friends. We've reserved space in the Tailgate Terrace for the 5:05 p.m. game on Aug. 24 - it's Kids Day! Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for children and include a buffet dinner. Reserve your spot at the church office through the week or on Sundays at the Welcome Center. Make checks out to The Peoples Church with "Lugnuts" in the memo.

#### **SECOND ANNUAL GOLF OUTING - SEPT. 21**

Our second annual golf outing will tee off at 1:30 p.m. on Sept. 21 at Timber Ridge Golf Club in East Lansing. This four-person scramble will include a box lunch and a Mexican Fiesta dinner at the end of the day with awards and prizes! Sign up individually or in teams of four at \$75 per golfer by Sept 4. Proceeds benefit The Peoples Church and its programming. Hole sponsorships are available. Contact Ben Eysselinck at [ben@eysselink.com](mailto:ben@eysselink.com)

#### **PEOPLES 101**

Do you want to know more about The Peoples Church? Join our informal Q & A session, Peoples 101, as it is offered on the first Sunday of each month following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. The next Peoples 101 will be hosted August 3 in the Robertson Room.



#### **IT'S SNEAKER SUNDAY!**

Your Peoples Church Team needs Walkers and Donations for the Annual Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) Walk for the Cure on August 2. Stop by the JDRF Table in the Northwest Entrance for more information. If you are unable to walk with us but would still like to help, \$1 buys you a paper sneaker to be displayed at The Peoples Church through walk day. Your donation supports the Peoples Church Walk Team and gets us one step closer to finding a cure for Type 1 Diabetes. We'll be in the Northwest Entrance July 20 and 27. Thanks in advance for your support!

### SHARE

#### **WPC JEWELRY SALE**

The Women of Peoples Church continue to accept donations for the annual Jewelry & More Sale to take place on August 8 and 9. Donations are tax deductible and can be dropped off at the church office. Sale proceeds benefit local charities supported by the Women of Peoples Church. The 2013 sale raised \$6,000! Thank you for your continued support.

## SIGN ME UP

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

### TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME

\_\_\_\_ **YES!** I want to see the Lansing Lugnuts play ball with my family and friends from The Peoples Church.

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

# of Adult Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# of Child Tickets (Ages 3-12): \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**RESERVATION  
DEADLINE:  
AUGUST 17**

**TOTAL ENCLOSED** = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Make Check payable to The Peoples Church. Indicate "Lugnuts Game" in the memo line.)

Questions? Contact Jane Ledebuhr 517.256.2655.

### 2ND ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Golfer 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Approx. Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Approx. Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer 3: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Approx. Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer 4: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Approx. Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENCLOSED** = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$75 per person includes green fees, cart, lunch and dinner)

Make Check payable to The Peoples Church. Indicate "Golf Outing" in the memo line. Reservation deadline: Sept. 4.

Hole Sponsorships are available. Questions? Contact Ben Eysselinck at [ben@eysselinck.com](mailto:ben@eysselinck.com)

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**Celebration of Holy Communion**

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