

SUNDAY WORSHIP NOVEMBER 2, 2014

*The Legacy, Legends,
and Lyrics of Christmas*

WOMEN OF PEOPLES CHURCH
ADVENT TEA 2014



**WEDNESDAY,
DECEMBER 3**

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Snider Social Hall
\$6 per person

Featuring
Joshua Palkki, Baritone Soloist
Ken Beachler, Narrator
Judy Kabodian, Accompanist

This year, we especially invite:

- **ALL women** of The Peoples Church
- **Parents and grandparents** with small children/grandchildren with free babysitting being provided
- **Men!** Tables are being set aside for you (you love Christmas music as much as the ladies do!)
- **Homebound and retirement center church members** (Call 517-381-5186 if transportation is needed.)
- **Past Presidents of WPC** (we want to honor you!)
- Friends of **Presbyterian Church of Okemos** (to hear their own choir director!)

For Childcare Reservations
Call Ruth Ann Ference at 517-381-5186



THE PEOPLES CHURCH

200 W. Grand River Ave. | East Lansing, MI 48823
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SUNDAY MORNINGS

8:30 a.m.

Worship Service, Chapel

9:30 a.m.

Adult Sunday School
Children's Chapel
Confirmation Class
PCYG Open Hang Out
Peoples Forum

9:45 a.m.

Carol Choir Rehearsal

10:30 a.m.

Worship Service, Sanctuary
Children's Sunday School

11:30 a.m.

Coppertone Rehearsal
Campus Ministry

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

5:30 p.m.

Community Meal

6:00 p.m.

Dance 149
Youth Choir Rehearsal

6:30 p.m.

Animate | Campus Ministry
Christmas Poetry | Adult Formation
Vaccines & Toxicology | Adult Formation
Holy Moly! | Children's Education
Peoples Church Youth Group
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.

Crystal Branta, Chairperson
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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

MONDAY, NOV. 3

11:00 a.m. Monday Morning Bible
3:00 p.m. Library Committee
7:00 p.m. Faith On Campus @ MSU

TUESDAY, NOV. 4 | ELECTION DAY

11:15 a.m. Preschool Creative Movement
7:30 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 2

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 5

8:00 a.m. Sermon Prep Group
5:30 p.m. WNL! Community Meal
6:00 p.m. Dance 149
Youth Choir Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. Animate
Holy Moly!
PCYG
The Gift of Christmas Poetry
Vaccines and Toxicology
Yoga Class
7:30 p.m. Clarion Ringers Rehearsal

THURSDAY, NOV. 6

7:00 a.m. Men's Study Group
12:00 p.m. Men's Study Group
4:30 p.m. Great Decisions
6:30 p.m. Thursdays with Jesus
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, NOV. 7

2:00 p.m. Spiritual Direction
4:00 p.m. Faith on Campus @ LCC

SATURDAY, NOV. 8

Pediatric Hospice and Bereavement Conference

SUNDAY, NOV. 9

8:30 a.m. Worship Service
9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School
Children's Chapel
Confirmation Class
PCYG Open Hang Out
Peoples Forum
9:45 a.m. Carol Choir Rehearsal
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
Children's Sunday School
11:30 a.m. Coppertone Ringers Rehearsal

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.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP | NOVEMBER 2, 2014

Prelude "My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker" Jan Bender

Welcome to The Peoples Church! Rev. Andrew Pomerville

Invitation to Advent Tea Women of Peoples Church Ruth Ann Ference

Artistic Introit (10:30 a.m.) "The Highland Fling" Traditional
Highland Dancers accompanied by Bill Collins, bagpipes

Call to Worship Jan Cox, liturgist

Let us start this service well, by reminding ourselves:

That it is not we who chose Christ,

but Christ who chose us,

That we are not here because of our goodness,

but because of Christ's grace,

That we are not here to enlighten ourselves,

but to allow Christ to enlighten us,

That we have not come to be entertained,

but to worship God with heart, soul, mind and strength.

Gathering Hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" **No. 275**
(Please stand if able.)

Procession of the Light of Christ (10:30 a.m.) Raleigh Canady & Karli Gonzales, acolytes

Dedication of Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes

Gracious God, we ask that these Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes be received by children and families who long for hope and love.

Help our gifts of compassion and hospitality be multiplied in the hands of brothers and sisters across the world.

(Continued)

Let these gifts be our response to your call to love one another.

And make our hearts full with your generosity so we continue to share the life giving gospel through our service, our prayers, our words, and our actions.

Let us be united:

We pray your Holy Spirit will remind us of all our brothers and sisters in this world who long for safety, grace, and joy. As we remember the gift of your son, Jesus Christ, help us remember your ongoing presence in this world. Through our resurrected savior we pray. Amen.

Celebration of Baptism (10:30 a.m.)

Grace Tyler

Born on May 16, 2014

Daughter of Christopher & Lisa Tyler

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.

Celebration of Holy Communion

Time With Children (10:30 a.m.)

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 dismissed to participate in Sunday School at this time. (10:30 a.m.)

They will return to the Sanctuary during the Sending Hymn.

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 6:1-9 | The Shema
(Pew Bible Page 182, Large Print Page 258)

Betsy Aho

Choir Anthem

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
Sanctuary Choir directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed

arr. Mark Hayes

New Testament Reading

Matthew 23:1-12
(Pew Bible Page 991, Large Print Page 1,508)

Sermon

“Always a Hypocrite”

Rev. Andrew Pomerville

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.

Be Amazed

Jim & Lisa Kost, Co-chairs Annual Campaign 2015

**Thanksgiving &
Dedication of Gifts**

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

arr. Johann Walther

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

Christ Jesus, help us share the Gospel, and ourselves too, with the ones you give us to serve. Let us be gentle with them, as a nursing mother cares for her children. If tassels, fine clothes, and terms of respect can help us to serve others with warmth, then put tassels all over us. But since humility must undergird all service, then let our real place of honor be in the very last place with you.

Sending Hymn

“Joy to the World”

No. 266

Benediction & Recessional

(Please stand if able.)

“Be Thou My Vision”

Bill Collins, bagpipes

Slade

**COLLEGE STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO OUR CAMPUS MINISTRY
LUNCH IN THE LOUNGE FOLLOWING THE 10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

**PEOPLES 101 WILL BE HOSTED IN THE ROBERTSON ROOM
FOLLOWING THE 10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

Today's Floral Offering

Given by Paul Babbitt in remembrance of all the saints who have died in 2014.



GROW

PUB THEOLOGY

Join Pastor Drew and Betsy Aho for Pub Theology each Monday in November at Dublin Square in East Lansing. We gather at 6:30 p.m. for open discussion about spirituality and religion and how those interact with everyday life. Our topic for Nov. 3 will be "Spirituality and Politics."



GREAT DECISIONS:

CLIMATE CHANGE AND FOOD SUPPLY

Sponsored by the Foreign Policy Association, the mission of our Great Decisions series is to serve as a catalyst for developing awareness, understanding, and informed opinion on U.S. foreign policy and global issues. On Nov. 6 we welcome Dr. Jeffrey Andersen, MSU professor of geography and State of Michigan Climatologist, to discuss "Climate Change and Food Supply." We gather from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the Robertson Room; light refreshments are served. There will be an opportunity for questions and discussion following the presentation.

PEOPLES FORUM

Next Sunday, Nov. 9, the Peoples Forum welcomes Roy Saper, owner of Saper Galleries in East Lansing. Roy travels the world to buy pieces of art. He has been recognized with the Art Business News Gallery Award, the top honor in the United States presented to an art gallery for the success of its exhibitions. Come and learn from this interesting *voice in our community* at 9:30 a.m. in the Robertson Room.

VACCINES AND TOXICOLOGY

Cheryl Rockwell, Peoples Church member and assistant professor in the Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology at MSU, will offer a series of informational classes as part of many *Wednesday Night Live!* adult formation opportunities. On Nov. 5 she will present "Suicide by Tylenol and getting high on Rofitussin: Toxicity of common household medications," Nov. 12 will be "Fact or Fiction: the Controversial link between vaccines and autism" and "Bouncing babies, BPA and bottles: a look at chemicals we ingest from plastics and food packaging" on Nov. 19. Join this discussion at 6:30 p.m. on and come early to enjoy the community meal served each week at 5:30 p.m. in Snider Social Hall.

THE GIFT OF CHRISTMAS POETRY

Peoples Church member Susan Reedy will offer a course on "The Gift of Christmas Poetry" on Nov. 5, 12 and 19 as part of our *Wednesday Night Live!* adult formation opportunities. Also enjoy the community meal served each week at 5:30 p.m. in Snider Social Hall.

THURSDAYS WITH JESUS

All women are welcome to join Thursdays With Jesus at 6:30 p.m. each week in the Robertson Room. Their fall study is "Living Beyond Yourself: Exploring the Fruits of the Spirit."

THURSDAY MEN'S GROUPS

Our **MORNING MEN'S GROUP** meets at 7:00 a.m. in the Robertson Room and the **AFTER-NOON MEN'S GROUP** meets at 12:00 p.m. in the Library each week.



SERVE

CHILDREN'S PINCH POTS BENEFIT ART FOR CHARLIE EVENT

More than 100 pinch pots made by children who participated in last summer's Peoples Church Vacation Bible School are helping to support the Art for Charlie Foundation's 2014 Art Show & Silent Auction.

Twelve pots were selected to be put on display at the Broad Art Museum as part of the promotion leading up to the Nov. 13 event at the Marriott at University Place. Those pots will be auctioned off that night. The remaining pots will be offered for donations of at least \$5 following 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship services at The Peoples Church **TODAY** and Nov. 9. Tickets to the 2014 Art Show & Silent Auction are available at Schuler Books & Music stores or can be picked up from Meaghan Gonzales, director of children's Christian education. Contact her at 517-908-4447.



EDGEWOOD VILLAGE PARTNERSHIP WINTER WISH LIST BEGINS NOV. 9

Peoples Church members are invited to gift our young neighbors at Edgewood village, infants, children and teens, this holiday season through the Winter Wish List. Beginning Nov. 9, a large gift box will be on display in the Northwest Entrance with tags placed on it containing children's holiday wishes. Gifts and tags must be returned to the church *UNWRAPPED* by



Dec. 14. Questions? Contact Barbara Scott at 517-889-5603.

HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS

Members of our Community Engagement Ministry look forward to helping 40 families in the greater Lansing area have a holiday meal on Thanksgiving and Christmas. They are looking for 20 volunteer drivers to deliver food baskets from 8:30 to 11 a.m. on Nov. 22 and/or Dec. 20.

FRUIT AND FUDGE SALE

The Women of Peoples Church are again offering sales of Indian River Fruit and Fudge to benefit the Housing Assistance Fund in Greater Lansing and other ministries of the Women of Peoples Church. Wreaths, bows, roping, Poinsettias a "Forbidden Fruits Recipe Book" also will be available. Order forms are available at Welcome Center the Northwest Entrance and are due by Nov. 11.

SUPPORT BOY SCOUTS, EAT NOODLES

Boy Scout Troop 2 will host a fundraiser from 4 to 9 p.m. on Nov. 12 at Noodles & Company on Grand River Ave. downtown East Lansing. The Troop will receive 25 percent of proceeds from all food orders, dine-in or take-out, and gift certificates purchased that evening. Just mention Troop 2 while your order. The Troop will use the funds for future camping trips and equipment. Thank you for your support.





SHARE

WNL! COMMUNITY MEAL

Helpers are needed to assist with our *Wednesday Night Live! Community Meal*. Can you help prepare, serve or clean up afterward? Are you available to help for an hour or two one or two Wednesday's a month? Interested? Contact Hospitality Coordinator Gerri Nichols at gnichols@thepeopleschurch.com.

NEW EXHIBITS

The Fine Arts Committee invites you to enjoy "Winter Artistry" in the Northwest Hallway and a display of crèches in the office hallway kiosk. All work is on loan from members of our congregation.



Be Amazed!

The Peoples Church | Annual Campaign 2015

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY.

Please remember to return your pledge form by November 21.



**GIVE & PLEDGE
ONLINE**
ThePeoplesChurch.com

SIGN UP | *Return forms to Offertory Plate on Sunday or the Church Office during the week.*

YES! I WANT TO HELP DELIVER HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

I will help with: Thanksgiving Baskets | Nov. 22 8:20 a.m. - 11 p.m. Christmas Baskets | Dec. 20 8:20 a.m. - 11 p.m.