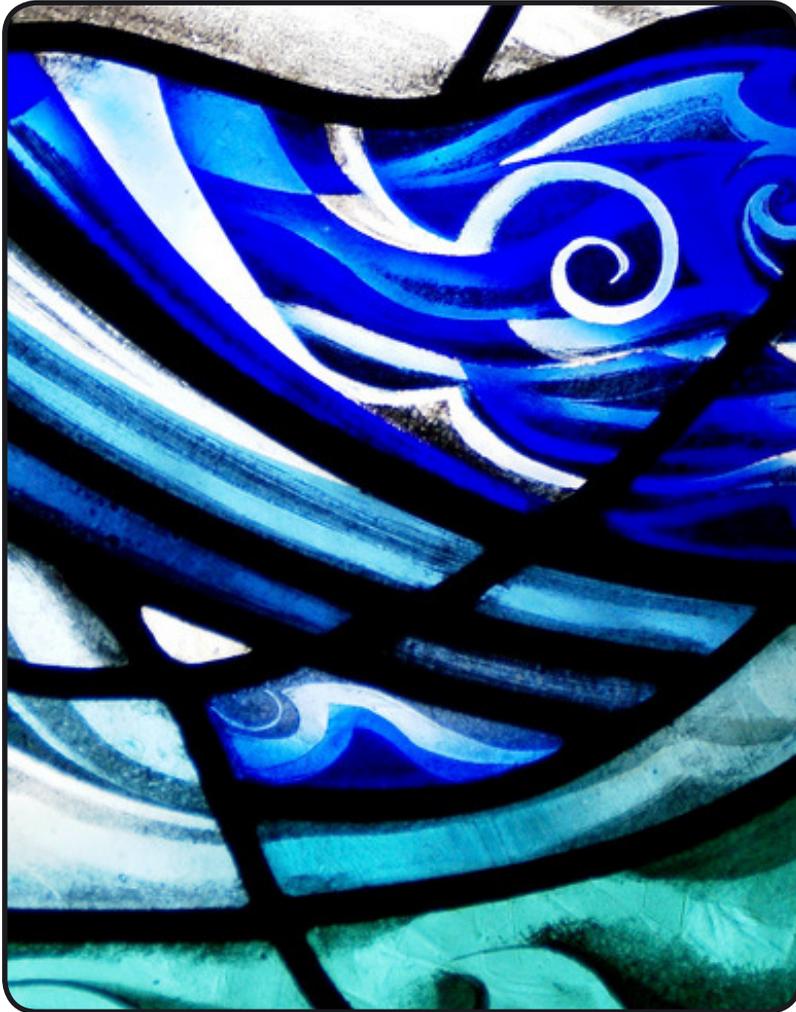


# SUNDAY WORSHIP JANUARY 11, 2015



## SUNDAY MORNING

**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

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## WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

**5:30 p.m.**

Community Meal

**6:00 p.m.**

Dance 149  
Youth Choir Rehearsal

**6:30 p.m.**

Adult Formation  
Faith Builders | 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.

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# HEALTH MATTERS

THE PEOPLES CHURCH WELLNESS EFFORT

Offering more than 30 years of experience as a registered nurse and health educator, Peoples Church member Linda Newbury will guide and develop a new church wellness effort in 2015.



LINDA  
NEWBURY

The new **HEALTH MATTERS** program aims to offer engaging, beneficial and enjoyable programming to empower members of our faith community with information and support that can enhance resiliency and improve health.

By incorporating Health Matters offerings into established Sunday morning and *Wednesday Night Live!* programming, Newbury and members of a newly formed Wellness Committee will work to plan and deliver a series of interesting and innovative health education programs to take place on a monthly basis.

Wellness Committee members include Flo Baerren, Stacy Gronowski, Jim McCoy, Kathy Rogers and Mary West.

Health Matters kicks off today as it welcomes **Kristen Johnson**, a registered dietitian, personal trainer and motivational speaker to present "Tools for a Healthier You in the New Year" at 9:30 a.m. and "Let's Get Moving ..." at 11:30 a.m. in the Robertson Room. All are welcome.



GIVE  
ONLINE

ThePeoplesChurch.com

**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 | JANUARY 11, 2015

**Prelude** "Pastorale" J.S.Bach

**Welcome to The Peoples Church!** Rev. Andrew Pomerville

**Call to Worship** (Based on Psalm 29)

Leader: The voice of the Lord — Strong and Mighty,  
powerful and full of majesty.

**People: It calls to us, calling from the water.**

Leader: The voice of the Lord breaks forth.

**People: It gives us strength and blessing, causing us to shout  
"Glory to the name of the Lord!"**

**Gathering Hymn** "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" **No. 475**  
*(Please stand if able.)*

**Procession of the Light of Christ** Bronwynn Kewin & Rebecca Osei-Owusu,  
acolytes

**Prayer of Confession** (Inspired by Mark 1:9-11)

**We are incredibly stubborn, O Lord. We have entered the season in which Your Light has been given to the world, your blessings have been poured out on the world, and yet we still dwell on our own problems, our own needs, our own desires. Help us to yearn for your presence, Lord. Pour your baptismal waters over us again, cleansing us from our self-pity and arrogance. Nourish and heal us so that we may joyfully serve you. Let us receive the blessings offered in creation, in the birth and baptism of Jesus, and in the ministry of the saints of light. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**Celebration of Holy Communion** (8:30 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's Moment** (10:30 a.m.)

*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**

Psalm 29  
(Pew Bible Page 551, Large Print Page 797)

**Anthem**

*Sanctuary Choir directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed*

**New Testament Reading**

Mark 1:4-11  
(Pew Bible Page 1,001, Large Print Page 1,522)

**Sermon**

"Why We Baptize"

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.**

**Offertory**

"Andante Tranquillo"

Felix Mendelssohn

**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***

**God of grace and glory, you call us by your voice to be your people, faithful and courageous. As your beloved Son embraced his mission in the waters of baptism, inspire us with the fire of your Spirit to join in his transforming work. We ask this in the name of our savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.**

### ***Sending Hymn***

**"Make a Joyful Noise to God!"**

**No. 54**

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

### ***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***

**"Toccatà in F"**

**Johann Pachelbel**

### ***Today's Floral Offering***

*Given by Frank Marxer in memory of Celia Wycoff-Marxer and Carol Turner.*

**CORRECTION:** The Dec. 7 floral offering was given by Renate Carey in memory of James Carey.

## IMPORTANT: NOTICE OF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The annual Congregational Budget Meeting will take place during the 10:30 a.m. worship service on Jan. 25.



### CONNECT

#### NEW MEMBERS CLASS | JAN. 11

Have you been thinking about becoming a member of our faith family here at The Peoples Church, while worshiping with us during the holiday season? We encourage you to join us today for our New Members Class. The 90-minute class will be hosted in the Library following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. (Following the class, you will be invited to formally join the church on January 25).

#### DORCAS CIRCLE | JAN. 20

The Dorcas Circle of the Women of Peoples Church gathers next at 7 p.m. on Jan. 20 in the Robertson Room. The program is about "Elder Law" and will be presented by attorney John Bos. Questions? Contact Dee Toth at 517-482-4414 or Susan Coopes at 517-339-0450.

#### PHOEBE CIRCLE | JAN. 28

The Phoebe Circle of the Women of Peoples Church meets at 9 a.m. on Jan. 28 in the Robertson Room. Questions? Contact Renate Carey at [renatedcarey@yahoo.co](mailto:renatedcarey@yahoo.co), about this great community of faith.

#### 2015 MEN'S RETREAT | FEB. 20-22

All men are invited to a weekend of manly fun, manly games, manly meals, manly movies, manly conversations and spiritual refreshment Feb. 20 - 22 during our annual Peoples Church Men's Retreat. This year's retreat is all about "Screen Time: Exploring our Faith through Movies and Conversations" and will take place at the Howell Nature Center. The retreat begins at 6:30 p.m. on Friday and ends Sunday morning with a chapel service. Cost is \$95; includes lodging and meals. To learn more or register for the weekend, contact Aram Kabodian at 517-204-6440.



#### PEOPLES 101 | FEB. 1

Want to know more about The Peoples Church? Our monthly informal Q&A session, Peoples 101, is hosted on the first Sunday of each month in the Robertson Room following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. The next Peoples 101 will be offered Feb. 1. All are welcome.



## GROW

### MYSTICS OF THE MIDDLE AGES | JAN. 14

Hildegard of Bingen and Julian of Norwich are two mystics who are known for their writings, faith and theological wisdom. They also are no strangers to controversy. Join Betsy Aho as she leads us in learning about these “Mystics of the Middle Ages.” We will explore some of their writings and teachings, as well as discuss the culture and events surrounding their place in history. Betsy will close the series with the life and “showings” of Julian of Norwich on Jan. 14. Discussion will take place in the Robertson Room at 6:30 p.m. as part of our *Wednesday Night Live!* activities. A Community Meal will be served at 5:30 in Snider Social Hall. All are welcome.

### PEOPLES FORUM | JAN. 18

Join us as we welcome local sportscaster and journalist Jack Ebling at 9:30 a.m. in the Robertson Room. As always, all are welcome, to sit in and hear from these weekly “voices of our community.”

### MONDAY MORNING BIBLE

Interested in digging deeper into scripture? All are welcome to join in Monday Morning Bible Study, which gathers at 11 a.m. each week in the Centennial Room. Join us for study and friendship. We are currently reading and discussing N.T. Wright’s book, “Matthew: 25 Studies for Individuals and Groups” to lead our conversations. For more information please contact Mary Hill at (517) 339-2502, Barb Potter at (517) 332-4733, or Pastor Drew.



### THURSDAYS WITH JESUS

All women are welcome to join Thursdays With Jesus at 6:30 p.m. each week in the Robertson Room.

### 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.



## SUNDAY RECYCLING PROGRAM

### NEXT DROP-OFF: PLASTIC # 1-7 (THIRD SUNDAY)

The Peoples Church Recycling Program is a volunteer service to the members of our faith community. Items can be dropped off near our sign in the Northwest Entrance. Please be sure to only drop off items at this location on the Sundays that they are to be collected. It is difficult for us to store all of the items we recycle. Also, clean and rinse the items you bring in. Soiled items will be discarded in the trash. Recycle many other items each day at our Recycling Center across from the Church Office.

**FIRST SUNDAY:** SMALL BATTERIES

**SECOND SUNDAY:** POLYSTYRENE FOAM

**THIRD SUNDAY:** PLASTIC #1-7

**FOURTH SUNDAY:** GREEN GLASS



## SERVE

### KNITTING PEOPLE | JAN. 22

Please join us for our next gathering from 1 to 3 p.m. on Jan. 22 in the Robertson Room. We knitters are busy with new projects, making hats and mittens for children and adults in local shelters. New knitters are always welcome to join us for this important work! We have yarn, needles and patterns for you to use, or you can bring your own! Be sure to bring your completed projects for blessing and your ideas and favorite patterns to share. Hot tea and warm fellowship are always a big part of our meetings. Questions? Contact Mary Anne at 517-214-1487.

### PERSONAL NEEDS BANK

Help stock the Personal Needs Bank. We collect bar soap, deodorant, sanitary pads, tampons, disposable diapers, baby wipes, disposable razors (men’s and women’s),

shaving cream, dish soap, facial tissue or paper towels. The Personal Needs Bank is a joint ministry of The Peoples Church and All Saints Episcopal Church. We have served more 200 families in 2014. Donation baskets are located in the Main Sanctuary and at the Welcome Center in the Northwest Entrance. Thank you for your continued and generous support of this important ministry to our local community.

### SOUTHSIDE KITCHEN

Volunteers are needed to help serve lunch at the Southside Kitchen each month through 2015. Peoples Church members are invited to serve on the third Tuesday of each month: We are still looking for help on March 17, May 19, June 16, July 21, Aug. 18, Sept. 15, Oct. 20, Nov. 17 and Dec. 15. Questions? Contact Jan Perron at RPerron631@aol.com.

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

### SIGN UP: SOUTH SIDE KITCHEN

YES! I would like to volunteer to serve at the Southside Kitchen in 2015.

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

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

Month(s) Available: \_\_\_\_\_