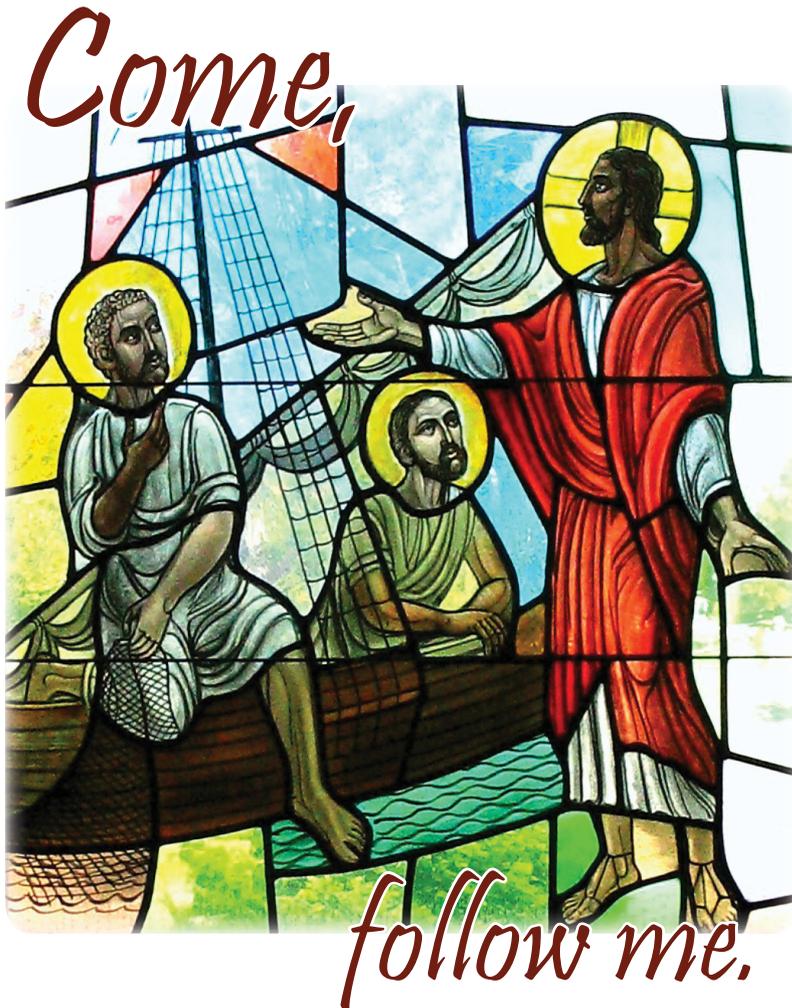


SUNDAY WORSHIP JANUARY 25, 2015



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

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.

Jim Kelly, Chairperson
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SEMINARIAN SUNDAY

Next Sunday, Feb. 1, a special offering will benefit the educational efforts of our seminarian, Betsy Aho.



MEMORIAL DEDICATIONS FOR SUNDAY FLOWERS

Sunday Floral Dedications offer members weekly opportunities to celebrate important moments and remember loved ones. Dedications for Sanctuary Flowers may be reserved with a memorial gift of \$85 made payable to The Peoples Church. Gifts benefit the Sanctuary Fund. Sundays may be reserved by using the sign-up notebook located at the Welcome Center or contacting the Church Office at 517-332-5073.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

5:30 P.M. COMMUNITY MEAL



JAN. 28 | Cream of Potato soup, mini-sub sandwiches, salad, fruit bowl, Rice Crispy treats



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 25, 2015

Prelude

"Meditation from *Thais*"

Jules Massanet

Welcome to The Peoples Church!

Rev. Andrew Pomerville

Our annual congregational budget meeting is taking place today during the 10:30 a.m. worship service. If you are a visitor in our midst, know you are welcome and encouraged to be a part of this service. The ministries proposed by our Council of Elders for 2015 are intended to be shared by the whole church community. While only members are permitted to vote, it's important that participants in our church community be included in this discussion.

Call to Worship

Jim Kelly, Chairperson
Council of Elders

Leader: Gentle and patient.

People: God, you are calling.

Leader: Careful and persistent.

People: God, you are calling.

Leader: In grieving and in praise.

People: God, you are calling.

Leader: Through dawn and midday.

People: God, you are calling.

Leader: Unexpected and planned.

People: God, you are calling.

Leader: In a still small voice and in power.

People: God, you are calling.

Leader: Spontaneous and prepared.

People: God, you are calling.

Leader: Our God is eager to share with us, wherever we are in our journey.
May we be diligent to listen.

People: God, you are calling.

Gathering Hymn

(Please stand if able.)

"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

No. 69

Procession of the Light of Christ

Clara Hummel & Karli Gonzales, acolytes

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Drew Filkins

Forgiving God, we resist when asked to tell the story. We find it hard to confess the name of Jesus. We are awkward and feel inadequate. But you have called us to speak and to act. Like Simon and Andrew, James and John, help us to rise up and follow wherever you lead. Lord of surprising light, make us followers.

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.)

Question of Quorum (10:30 a.m.)

Thad Morgan, Clerk

Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

(Pew Bible Page 664, Large Print Page 988)

Anthem

"Blessed Be Your Name"

Matt Redman

Youth Choir Directed by Elizabeth Reed

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

Mark 1:14-20

(Pew Bible Page 1,001, Large Print Page 1,523)

Sermon

"Let Us Go Where We Are Called"

Rev. Andrew Pomerville



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

Presentation of 2015 Budget (10:30 a.m.)

Budget Action(10:30 a.m.)

Members' Moment for Questions and Comments (10:30 a.m.)

Thanksgiving, Hopes and Dreams

Offertory (10:30 a.m.)

"The Size of Your Heart"

Eleanor Daly

Sanctuary Choir directed by Leah Brzyski

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

May the offerings brought this day be used as seeds, planted faithfully and nurtured lovingly so that God's path may be realized anew in this world. Grant us the humility we need to plant and then tend your precious garden. Amen.

Sending Hymn

"Go to the World!"

No. 295

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

"Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

arr. Dale Wood

Today's Floral Offering

Given by Cheryl & David Ronk Jr. in honor of their 30th wedding anniversary.



CONNECT

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 renatecarey@yahoo.com, about this great community of faith.

HEARTS ON FIRE CHILI COOK-OFF & EMPTY BOWLS FUNDRAISER | FEB. 22

Join us for the annual Chili Cook-Off on Feb. 22 in Snider Social Hall following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. We are looking for chili chefs, tasters and eaters. Members of the Greater Lansing Pottery Guild have generously donated some of their work for the Empty Bowls Fundraiser. Proceeds will benefit those in need in our community. We'll also have a friendly tasting competition, complete with prizes! Contact Jane Ledebuhr at jledebuhr@yahoo.com if you'll make a chili for the competition.



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, at our annual 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. We begin at 6:30 p.m. on Friday and end Sunday morning. Cost is \$95; includes lodging and meals. To learn more or register, contact Aram Kabodian at 517-204-6440.

RE-MEMBER



INFORMATIONAL MEETING TODAY RE-MEMBER MISSION TRIP

An informational meeting for those who are interested in participating or learning more about how they can support the April mission trip to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota will be held in the Robertson Room following the 10:30 a.m. worship service **TODAY**. Facilities Director Andy Mayville will lead an intergenerational group to serve with the Re-Member organization from April 10 - 18. Learn more about our relationship with Re-Member and this year's mission at ThePeoplesChurch.com.



SERVE

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 one or two volunteers for March 17, June 16, July 21, Aug. 18, Sept. 15, Oct. 20, Nov. 17 and Dec. 15. Questions? Contact Jan Perron at RPerron631@aol.com.



GROW

BREAKING OPEN PARABLES

Jesus taught using parables and we have been discussing them for more than 2,000 years. On Jan. 28, Pastor Drew will continue his *Wednesday Night Live!* series on understanding and engaging parables. Join us as we read and discuss the parables of Jesus, as well as other ancient and modern writers. Pastor Drew is using "Short Stories by Jesus" by Amy-Jill Levine and "Orthodox Heretic" by Peter Rollins as points of reference for our study. The class is offered at 6:30 p.m. in the Robertson Room. Come early to enjoy our weekly *WNL!* Community Meal, served at 5:30 p.m. in Snider Social Hall.

PEOPLES FORUM | FEB. 1

Next Sunday we welcome Barbara Scott, member of the Council of Elders and Community Engagement Ministry, to share about the Edgewood Village Partnership. Join us at 9:30 a.m. in the Robertson Room.

SECTARIANISM IN THE MIDDLE EAST | FEB. 26

All are welcome to be a part of the next "Great Decisions" discussion set for 4:30 p.m. on Feb. 26 in the Robertson Room. Join us as we welcome Dr. Russell Lucas, associate professor of Arabic studies in MSU's Department of Linguistics and Languages and director of Global Studies in the Arts and Humanities to present "Sectarianism in the Middle East." Developed by the Foreign Policy Association, "Great Decisions" is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. Eight topics are chosen each year as the most critical issues facing America. Study books are available in the Church Office for \$16 each and at the Feb. 26 program.

PEOPLES 101 | FEB. 1

Our monthly church Q&A is hosted on the first Sunday each month in the Robertson Room following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. All are welcome.



SHARE

ITEMS NEEDED FOR 2015 VBS

Our Children's Christian education program is looking to collect 700 clean gallon milk jugs (not crushed, with lids), large coffee cans, Pringles containers, hot cocoa canisters, oatmeal canisters and soda pop cans in addition to gift cards for supplies to stores, such as Meijer, JoAnn Fabric, Walmart and Michael's for its 2015 summer VBS program. Contact Meaghan Gonzalas in the Church Office if you are able to donate any of these items.

BRIGHTEN SOMEONE'S DAY WITH FLOWERS

Each Sunday, the beautiful flowers that decorate our Sanctuary are shared with the home-bound members of our church and retirement center residents. A team of volunteers delivers the flowers each Sunday. This is a heartwarming ministry for any individual or family involved. If you would like to volunteer your time to help deliver flowers one Sunday, contact Irene Seahawk at 517-203-0308 or Shirley Noetzold at 517-339-0233.

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

COUNT ME IN FOR THE ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF!

____ YES! I will bring a pot of my favorite chili to share.

____ I can help set up (10 - 11:30 a.m.) ____ I can help clean up (12:30 - 2 p.m.)

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

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: _____



SUNDAY RECYCLING PROGRAM

NEXT DROP-OFF: **SMALL BATTERIES (FIRST 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