

SUNDAY WORSHIP FEBRUARY 22, 2015

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THE PEOPLES CHURCH

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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.

#TPCgenesis | Adult Formation
Faith Builders | Children's Education
Peoples Church Youth Group
Youth Class

**off this week*

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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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MARCH 1st IS BLANKET SUNDAY

Next Sunday, you will find a special envelope inside your bulletin to support the mission of Church World Service's Blankets+ program. This is an annual effort of our Community Engagement Ministry. Checks may be made payable to The Peoples Church.

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

FEB. 25

Baked Ziti, Mixed Greens Salad, Bread Sticks, Sliced Pears and Sherbert.



MAKE A GIFT ONLINE

ThePeoplesChurch.com/Give

Prayer of Confession

Loving Creator, all the fancy words in the world, expressed in eloquent prose, decorated with emotion, spoken with conviction, cannot compete with a heartfelt “sorry.” There are times when we are all too aware of our limitations, conscious of sin and the distance it creates between us.

Sometimes “sorry” is all the heart can bear to say aloud. It is only you who can read and understand the language of our hearts, only you who can translate our “sorry” into the prayer we would have prayed, if we had the words within us.

Then you forgive and surround us in an embrace of love, drawing us close to your heart. Thank you, Loving God, that you listen to our hearts, as well as voices. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 9:8-17
(Pew Bible Page 8, Large Print Page 12)

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

Children’s Moment (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.)
Please meet your child in Friendship Hall at the conclusion of today’s worship service.*

New Testament Reading

1 Peter 3:18-22
(Pew Bible Page 1,222, Large Print Page 1,849)

Anthem (10:30 a.m.)

“On Eagle’s Wings” arr. Mark Hayes
Sanctuary Choir directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed

Sermon “Submission as Rebellion Against Individuality” Rev. Andrew Pomerville



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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.

Thanksgiving and Celebration of Gifts and Talents

Offertory Music

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

arr. Mathilde McKinney

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.**

Lenten Prayer of Waiting

As Noah and his family waited in the ark for the dry land to appear
We wait in anticipation of the spring that is to come.

As Sarah waited 90 years for a son to fulfill God’s promise.
We wait in hope for what we thought had been spoken to us.

As Israel waited 40 years of wandering, hungry, depressed, thirsting and unsure.
We wait for the right time to act.

As Mary waited nine months of her young life for the child of God.
We feel the birth-pains, yet fear for the child.

As John the Baptist waited, scanning the crowds,
for the one whose sandals he would not be worthy to untie.
We long for an experience of the divine.

As Jesus waited 30 years of creeping time ... 40 days in the desert of temptation.
Three years of misunderstanding ... Three days in the depths of hell.

**So we wait for God’s time ... Preparing the way.
Our turn to watch the horizon ... Our turn to pass on the hope.**

Sending Hymn

"God is Calling through the Whisper"

No. 410

Benediction *(Please stand if able.)*

Choral Lenten Response

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" (Verse 1)

No. 775

*I want Jesus to walk with me;
I want Jesus to walk with me;
all along my pilgrim journey,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

Postlude

"Scherzo"

Alan Ridout

DON'T HURRY OUT INTO THE COLD, OUR ANNUAL
CHILI COOK-OFF & EMPTY BOWLS FUNDRAISER
WILL BE SERVED UP IN SNIDER SOCIAL HALL FOLLOWING
TODAY'S 10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE.
COME DOWNSTAIRS AND ENJOY SOME HOT CHILI AND WARM FELLOWSHIP!

Today's Floral Dedication

Donald H. Huldin, M.D., by Lois Huldin



CONNECT

PUB THEOLOGY | MONDAY

Pastor Andrew will host Pub Theology at 6:30 p.m. on Monday at Dublin Square. This week's topic: "Are people inherently good or evil?"



GROW

GENESIS IN 40 DAYS | FEB. 25

Pastor Andrew and Betsy Aho will lead a review on readings from our community Lenten Bible study of Genesis each week during *Wednesday Night Live!* Discussion will take place 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. For more information, including a reading calendar, visit ThePeoplesChurch.com

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 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 presents "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. Study books are available in the Church Office for \$16 each and at the Feb. 26 program.

PEOPLES 101 | MAR. 1

Want to learn more about The Peoples Church? Peoples 101, our informal Q&A session, is hosted on the first Sunday each month in the Robertson Room following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. All are welcome.

PEOPLES FORUM | MAR. 1

Join us next Sunday as we welcome the Hon. James S. Jamo to share "A Day in the Life of a Circuit Court Judge." The Peoples Forum hosts a variety of engaging and interesting "voices from our community" each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Robertson Room.



PEOPLES CHURCH
CAMPUS MINISTRY

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MONDAYS | NOON | GB FOOD COURT

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TUESDAYS | 5:30 P.M. | AKERS DINING HALL



SERVE

HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS

Members of our Community Engagement Ministry look forward to helping families in the greater Lansing area have a wonderful meal on Easter Sunday. They are looking for volunteer drivers to deliver food baskets from 8:30 to 11 a.m. on Mar. 29. Questions? Contact Joan Wright at 517-349-1074.

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. Donation baskets are located in the Main Sanctuary and at the Welcome Center in the Northwest Entrance.



SHARE

VBS ITEMS NEEDED

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

ELECTRONIC-GIVING OFFERTORY CARDS

If you make your weekly gift to the church electronically, you may also participate in worship. You are invited to pick up one of the "I Made My Gift Online" cards from the Welcome Center or tables in Friendship Hall or the east hallway on your way into the sanctuary. You may then place the card in the offertory plate. Thank your for your continued and generous support of the ministry at The Peoples Church.



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

YES! I WANT TO HELP DELIVER EASTER FOOD BASKETS

I will drive to deliver Easter Food Baskets on Mar. 29.

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____