

# GO

+ MATTHEW 28:16-20+

## MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS

*baptizing them in the name of  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.*

### ORDER OF WORSHIP | MAY 31, 2015

#### **Prelude**

"Call to the Faithful"

Rex Koury

#### **Welcome to The Peoples Church!**

Rev. Andrew Pomerville

#### **Call to Worship**

Leader: We are called to go into the world!

**People: And make disciples of all people,**

Leader: Baptizing them in the name of God the Father,  
God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit,

**People: And teaching them to obey all the words of Jesus.**

Leader: Let our worship of God be a reflection of this call.

**People: And may our prayers, songs, silence and learning be  
focused on the life-changing nature of Jesus Christ.**

Leader: Come, let us worship our God!

#### **Gathering Hymn**

"Arise, Your Light is Come!"

No. 744

*(Please stand if able.)*

#### **Prayer for Confession** (Inspired by Psalm 67)

**Most gracious God, we pray for those in our land who are denied gifts of food, shelter, family, and hope. We pray for those whose voices are not heard and for those who do not hear. Forgive us when our choices are selfish ones, and forgive us especially when we do not choose to raise our own voice against the pain of those among us who suffer needless want.**

**Most of all, O God, we give you thanks for the forgiveness we have in the love of Jesus Christ, who came that everyone might have abundant life, today and always. Amen.**

#### **ALL ARE WELCOME**

*Whether you are young  
or old, rich or poor,  
doubtful or hopeful ...  
no matter where you  
are in your faith jour-  
ney, 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.*

#### **SUMMER WORSHIP**

##### **SUNDAY**

8:30 a.m. - Chapel  
9:30 a.m. - Sanctuary

##### **WEDNESDAY\***

6:15 p.m. - Chapel  
*\*Beginning June 10*



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**Children's Moment** (9:30 a.m.)

**Passing the Peace of Christ** (9:30 a.m.)

*(Please stand if able.)*

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

**Old Testament Reading**

Psalm 67

(Pew Bible Page 574, Large Print Page 838)

**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.**

**Solo**

"Be Thou My Vision"

arr. Richard Walters

*Isaac Frishman, tenor*

**New Testament Reading**

Matthew 28:16-20

(Pew Bible Page 1,000, Large Print Page 1,521)

**Sermon**

"I Like Your Church Because They Leave Us Alone"

Rev. Andrew Pomerville



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**Thanksgiving & Dedication of Gifts**

**Offertory Music** (9:30 a.m.)

"All Glory Be to God on High"

Johann Walther

**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***

**Guiding God, help us to hear the calls of the oppressed and the poor. Teach us to live in ways that do not put our wants above the needs of others. Call us to heed the challenge of the prophets, to step out in faith and put our neighbors needs as important as our own. In the name of Christ, who loves us even when we try to walk away, we pray. Amen.**

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

#### ***Passing the Peace of Christ*** (8:30 a.m.)

*(Please stand if able.)*

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

#### ***Sending Hymn*** (9:30 a.m.)

"Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith is Firm"

**No. 731**

#### ***Benediction*** (9:30 a.m.) *(Please stand if able.)*

#### ***Benediction Response*** (9:30 a.m.)

**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*** (9:30 a.m.)

"Psalm 100"

Michael Burkhardt

### ***Today's Floral Dedication***

*To the Glory of God!*



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**PEOPLES 101 | JUNE 7**

Interested in learning more about The Peoples Church? We will host our monthly informal Peoples 101 Q&A session next Sunday, June 7, in the Robertson Room following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. All are welcome.

**FARMER'S MARKET OPENS NEXT SUNDAY**

The East Lansing Farmer's Market begins its season next Sunday in Valley Court Park across from The Peoples Church. The growers-only market will now be hosted from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Sunday from June 7 through Oct. 25.

**EDGEWOOD GARDEN WORKDAY | JUNE 20**

Our next Edgewood Village Partnership garden workday will be from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on June 20. Contact Theresa Boyd at 203-241-8108 or tjean50@gmail.com to volunteer your time.

**SAVE THE DATE: LUGNUTS GAME | AUG. 23**

Mark your summer calendars: Our annual Peoples Church outing to see the Lugnuts is booked for 2:05 p.m. on Aug. 23. Watch for more information coming this summer.



**WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!  
RETURNS JUNE 10**

**5:30 p.m.**

Community Meal, Friendship Hall

**6:15 p.m.**

Worship Service with Communion  
& Sunday Scripture, McCune Chapel

**6:45 p.m.**

Run/Walk Group, MSU Campus  
&  
Free Yoga Class, Robertson Room

**SUNDAY RECYCLING PROGRAM**



**NEXT DROP-OFF: POLYSTYRENE FOAM (SECOND 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