



Are you envious because I am generous?

+ MATTHEW 20:15+

ORDER OF WORSHIP | AUGUST 23, 2015

Prelude "Adagio" W.A. Mozart

Welcome to The Peoples Church! Rev. Drew Filkins

Call to Worship

Leader: God, you are bighearted with no limitation.

**People: You over give and over pay,
handing us not only the rewards due us,**

Leader: but heaping on us the fortunes of everlasting life
and love.

**People: We thank you that heaven is not just like our earth,
that grace does not abide by our rules**

Leader: We are grateful that our little ways open out
when we listen to you.

People: Lavish your spirit of kindness upon us.

Gathering Hymn "For the Fruit of All Creation" No. 36
(Please stand if able.)

Prayer of Confession

First Reading Psalm 37:21-29
(Pew Bible Page 557, Large Print Page 808)

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

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.

SUMMER WORSHIP

SUNDAY

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

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

Returns Sept. 16



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**PEOPLES
CHURCH**

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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.

Solo (9:30 a.m.)

“Exultate Jubilate”
Alina Tamborini, soprano

W.A. Mozart

Second Reading

Mathew 20:1-16
(Pew Bible Page 987, Large Print Page 1,501)

Sermon

“I am the Landowner”

Rev. Drew Filkins



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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 & Dedication of Gifts

Offertory Music

“Alleluia”

W.A. Mozart

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

Thank you, gracious God, for always giving us much, much more than we can earn or ever deserve. Contrasted with our often calculated way of doing business with one another, your love towards us seems reckless, extravagant, and unbelievably gracious. Use these gifts to further your kingdom. It is through Christ’s name we pray.

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

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

(Please stand if able.)

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And also with you.

Sending Hymn (9:30 a.m.)

“Take My Life”

No. 697

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.)

“Fanfare”

Mark Otterstad

FOLLOWING TODAY'S 9:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE, PASTOR DREW
WILL PRESIDE AT THE DEDICATION OF A NEW HAND RAIL IN OUR MEMORIAL GARDEN.

THE RAILING WAS A GENEROUS GIFT MADE IN MEMORY OF ROBERT POTTER,
GIVEN BY BARBARA POTTER, REBECCA & TOM MEYER AND BILL & SIGRIE POTTER.

JOIN US IN THE MEMORIAL GARDEN FOR THIS JOYFUL CELEBRATION.

Today's Floral Dedication

Given in memory of Doris Dahl from Norman Huver and her many friends.



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ThePeoplesChurch.com/Give

MISSION TRIP: VILLA EL SALVADOR, PERU

Pastor Drew will lead a mission trip Jan. 22-30 to serve along side our friends at *Los Martincitos*. Space is limited. He will host an informational meeting following worship on Sept. 20. Questions? Contact Pastor Drew.

ASSISTANT INSTRUCTOR NEEDED | DANCE 149

We are in search of an assistant instructor for our Wednesday Night Live! children's dance program this fall. Contact Meaghan at 517-908-4447 or mgonzlaes@thepeopleschurch.com

SOUTHSIDE KITCHEN

Volunteers are needed to help serve lunch at the Southside Kitchen. We are looking for help for Oct. 20 and Dec. 15. Questions? Contact Jan Perron at RPerron631@aol.com.

PICK UP U.S. FLAG DONATIONS

If you loaned a flag to the church for our July 4 hallway decorating and have not picked it up, please retrieve it from the church office as soon as possible. Thank you for your generous sharing.

EDGEWOOD VILLAGE PARTNERSHIP: BACK TO SCHOOL COLLECTION

As part of our continued Community Engagement partnership with our neighbors at Edgewood Village, we will collect school supplies for the community's young residents who will return to their academic rhythms next month. Items can be delivered to the Outreach Baskets in the Sanctuary and near the Welcome Center. Donations will be collected through Labor Day weekend.

MEMORIAL DEDICATIONS FOR SUNDAY FLOWERS

Sunday Floral Dedications offer members weekly opportunities to celebrate important moments and honor loved ones. Dedications may be reserved with a memorial gift of \$85 made payable to The Peoples Church to benefit the Sanctuary Fund. Reserve a Sunday by in the notebook at the Welcome Center or contacting the Church Office at 517-332-5073.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE! HAS CONCLUDED ITS SUMMER SEASON AND RETURNS SEPT. 16.

SUNDAY RECYCLING PROGRAM



NEXT DROP-OFF: **NONE (FIFTH 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