

PALM SUNDAY MARCH 20, 2016

Hosanna!



*Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord!*



THE PEOPLES CHURCH

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SUNDAY MORNING

8:30 a.m.

Worship Service, Chapel

9:30 a.m.

Adult Sunday School
Carol Choir Rehearsal
Confirmation Class
PCYG Open Hang Out
Peoples Forum

10:30 a.m.

Worship Service, Sanctuary
Children's Sunday School

11:30 a.m.

Coppertones Rehearsal
Lunch & Lounge | Campus Ministry
Dance 149

*WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

5:30 p.m.

Community Meal

6:00 p.m.

Youth Choir Rehearsal

6:30 p.m.

Adult Formation
Holy Moly | Children's Education
Peoples Church Youth Group
Yoga Class

**WNL! is off March 23 and
will return March 30.*

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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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*JOIN THE SCOUTS OF
TROOP 2 & VENTURE CREW 2
FOR THEIR ANNUAL*

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

*IN SNIDER SOCIAL HALL
FOLLOWING TODAY'S
10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE.*



HOLY WEEK 2016 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

MAUNDY THURSDAY | MARCH 24
6:30 P.M. (Chapel)

GOOD FRIDAY | MARCH 25
6:30 P.M. (Sanctuary)

EASTER SUNDAY | MARCH 27
7:00, 8:30 & 10:30 A.M.



**MAKE A
GIFT
ONLINE**

ThePeoplesChurch.com/GIVE

COVER ART: "Triumphal Entry"
John August Swanson, 1989.

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 | MARCH 20, 2016

Prelude (8:30 a.m.) "Hosanna and Processional" John Stanley

Prelude (10:30 a.m.) "Arise, Shine, Thy Light Has Come" Kevin McChesney
Clarion Ringers directed by Elizabeth Reed

Welcome to The Peoples Church! Rev. Andrew Pomerville

Scout Sunday Minute for Mission Isaac Dunn, Brian Reeves & Danny Baker
Boy Scouts of America, Troop 2

Call to Worship (Inspired by Mark 11:1-11)

Leader: Let us enter the city with God today,

People: And sing hosannas to our king,

Leader: Let us turn our backs on the powers that grasp and control,

People: And open our hearts to the son of God riding on a donkey.

Leader: Let us join his parade,

People: Surrounded by outcasts and prostitutes, the blind and the lepers.

Leader: Let us follow the one who brought freedom and peace,

People: And walk in solidarity with the abandoned and oppressed.

Leader: Let us shout for joy at Christ's coming and join his disciples,

People: Welcoming the broken, healing the sick, dining with outcasts.

Leader: Let us touch and see as God draws near,

People: Riding in triumph toward the Cross.

Leader: Let us worship our God, who defeated death.

People: Glory to God in the highest!

Gathering Hymn
(Please stand if able.)

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

No. 197

Palm Sunday Prayer of Confession

Patient God, we confess that we love a parade. We are very happy to see banners waving and hear people shouting their praises. Our hearts thrill to the spectacle. But we fail to see the sadness on the face of the savior; our shouts block out his sorrow. He comes to us as king, and we expect that royal treatment will follow. We do not and cannot believe that in a few days we will be among those who will turn our backs and run from his presence. How fickle we are, O Lord. Yet you continually forgive us and call us to turn our lives around - to see the needs of others, to reach out in trust and faith, to be willing to witness to your good news of saving love. Heal our hearts and give us courage for the days ahead; for we ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Sung Assurance of Pardon "Hear the Good News of Salvation" (Verse 1) **No. 441**

**Hear the Good News of salvation: Jesus died to show God's love.
Such a great kindness! Such a great mercy! Come to us from heaven above.
Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin!
How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.**

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 118:25-29

(Pew Bible Page 610, Large Print Page 889)

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.)
You may pick up your child in the McCune Chapel following the worship service.*

Anthem (10:30 a.m.)

"Arise, My Soul, Arise"

Dan Forrest

Lauren Hansen, violin

Sanctuary Choir directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed

New Testament Reading

Mark 11:1-11

(Pew Bible Page 1,015, Large Print Page 1,542)

Sermon

"Make Jerusalem Great Again"

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.

Offertory (10:30 a.m.)

"Were You There?"

Cynthia Dobrinski

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

The story of Palm Sunday tells us how people removed their cloaks and spread them out in front of Jesus as he entered Jerusalem. As we offer these gifts may we be willing to lay down our defenses and disguises at the feet of the one who sees us we really are. And then, set free for worship, may we offer our praises with open hearts and lives. Amen.

Sending Hymn

"Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!"

No. 198

Benediction *(Please stand if able.)*

Benediction Response

(Please stand if able.)

"Christ Be Beside Me" (Verse 1)

No. 702

**Christ be beside me; Christ be before me; Christ be behind me, king of my heart.
Christ be within me; Christ be below me; Christ be above me, never to part.**

Postlude

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

arr. Janet Linker

Today's Floral Offering

Given in memory of John B. Kreer from his wife, Vivienne, and family.



CONNECT

NEW MEMBERS CLASS | MAR. 30 & APR. 3

Are you interested in becoming a member of The Peoples Church? New Members Classes will be offered at 6:30 p.m. on Mar. 30 during *Wednesday Night Live!* and following the 10:30 a.m. worship service on Apr. 3. Contact to the Church Office to RSVP. Childcare is available upon request. All are welcome.

WEEKLY MUSICAL CO-OP | MAR. 21

Pastor Andrew invites the musicians of The Peoples Church to join together in song from 6 to 6:30 p.m. each Monday. We gather in the Robertson Room. All instruments and levels of expertise are welcome.

SAVE THE DATE: STRAWBERRY BRUNCH

The Women of Peoples Church invite you to their spring Strawberry Brunch at 10 a.m. on May 10 in the Snider Social Hall. Proposed changes to the WPC Constitution are available for review at the Welcome Center.



SERVE

HELP DELIVER EASTER FOOD BASKETS

We will help families in the greater Lansing area have a wonderful meal on Easter Sunday. We need volunteer drivers to deliver food baskets on March 26. Drivers are asked to be at Market Fresh Foods at Jolly Road and MLK Blvd. in Lansing at 9 a.m. to pick up baskets.

KNITTING PEOPLE | MAR. 24

The Knitting People will meet at 1 p.m. on Mar. 24 to bless prayer shawls, blankets, hats and mittens for children and adults in local shelters. New knitter? No worries, we'll help you learn.

PEOPLES CHURCH VISITATION TEAM

Members of our Visitation Team spend time with church members who are confined to their home or retirement community to help them feel a connection with their faith family. Contact Pat Brogan at 517-337-1446 or Gretchen Rosenbrook at 517-332-5132 to learn more.



SHARE

DONATIONS: USED BOOK SALE

Book donations are being accepted for the annual Used Book Sale which benefits The Peoples Church Fischbach Library. Donations may be dropped off on the stage in the Snider Social Hall. Please do not leave donations in the library, church office or at the Welcome Center.

Donations will be collected until May 19, 2016. The sale takes place during the East Lansing Art Festival, May 21-22.

DONATIONS: WPC JEWELRY SALE

Gather up pieces of treasured jewelry no longer worn, purses, silver, watches, fine art, frames, table linens, quilts, purses and puzzles (no belts, ties, holiday items or furniture) and take them to the church office. The Jewelry Sale will be during the Art Festival in May.



GROW

PERU MISSION REPORT | Mar. 30

Campus Ministry students who traveled to Villa El Salvador, Peru, during Spring Break will report on their work with our partners at Los Martincitos at 6:30 p.m. on Mar. 30 in the Robertson Room as part of *Wednesday Night Live!* Join us at 5:30 p.m. in Snider Social Hall for our weekly community meal.

REBEKAH-HANNAH CIRCLE | MAR. 23

The Rebekah-Hannah Circle of the Women of Peoples Church will meet at 2:30 p.m. on Mar. 23 for a program about the MET.

BURCHAM HILLS BIBLE STUDY | MAR. 24

Pastor Andrew leads an evening Bible study of the Gospel of Mark from 6:15 to 7 p.m. each Thursday at the Burcham Hills Retirement Community in East Lansing. All are welcome.

PEOPLES FORUM | APR. 3

The Peoples Forum is off next Sunday for an Easter Break. We will return on Apr. 3, as we welcome MSU neurologist Dr. David Kaufman, who will speak with us about sports concussion injuries. Join us at 9:30 a.m. in the Robertson Room. All are welcome.

SUPPORT VBS SCHOLARSHIPS

Vacation Bible School 2016 is right around the corner and there are many ways to get involved. While we are always looking for volunteers to help run programs, equally important is scholarship support. We have two great partnerships this year — Woldumar Nature Center and Edgewood Village. Woldumar has fantastic facilities and provides wonderful educational programming for our VBS participants. By partnering with Edgewood Village, we hope to see 30 youth participants. Consider helping fund this opportunity by supporting an \$80 student scholarship. Questions? Contact Rob Keith.

MONDAY MORNING BIBLE

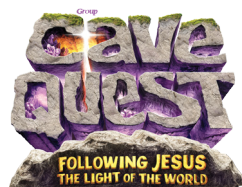
We study the Bible each Monday at 11 a.m., looking at key stories, events and themes throughout. Join us anytime.

MEN'S GROUPS

Our Tuesday Morning Men's group meets each week at 7 a.m. in the Robertson Room. Our Wednesday Men's Group meets each week in the Fischbach Library at noon.

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR VBS

We are very excited to announce that registration for VBS 2016 is open. "Cave Quest: Following Jesus the Light of the World" should be a lot of fun! VBS will take place June 13 through June 17 at Woldumar Nature Center in Lansing. Early Registration ends April 24. Questions? Contact Rob Keith.



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

EASTER LILY DEDICATIONS

___ Yes, I (We) would like to help the sanctuary come alive with Lilies on Easter morning. Please accept my gift of \$20 in support of the Sanctuary Decoration Fund.



- In Memory of In Celebration of
 In Honor of To the Glory of God

**RESERVATION DEADLINE
IS MONDAY, MARCH 21**

Dedication (Please Print): _____

Given By (Please Print): _____

YES! I WANT TO HELP DELIVER EASTER FOOD BASKETS

- I will drive to deliver Easter Food Baskets on March 26 at 9 a.m.

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____



SUNDAY RECYCLING PROGRAM

NEXT DROP-OFF: GREEN GLASS (FORTH 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