



“I too decided to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may know the certainty of the things you have been taught.” - Luke 1:1-4

ORDER OF WORSHIP | June 5, 2016

Prelude “Grand Processional” Dale Wood

Welcome to The Peoples Church! Rev. Andrew Pomerville

Introit “I Love You, Lord” **No. 627**
(Verse 1, Soloist; Verse 2, Unison)

Call to Worship (Adapted from 1 Corinthians 13) Joe Kennedy

Leader: If we speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels,
but do not have love,

People: **I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.**

Leader: And if we have prophetic powers,
and understand all mysteries and all knowledge,
and if we have all faith, so as to remove mountains,
but do not have love,

People: **I am nothing.**

Leader: If we give away all our possessions,
and hand over our bodies so that we may boast,
but do not have love,

People: **I gain nothing.**

Leader: Love is patient; love is kind;

People: **Love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude.**

Leader: Love does not insist on its own way;
Love is not irritable or resentful;

People: **Love rejoices in the truth.**

Leader: Love bears all things, Love believes all things,
Love hopes all things, Love endures all things.

People: **Love never ends. Amen.**

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.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30 a.m. - Chapel
10:30 a.m. - Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

5:30 p.m. - Dinner
6:15 p.m. - Worship
Begins June 8



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Dance 149 (10:30 a.m.)

"Over the Rainbow"

Karen Peris

First Reading

Hosea 11:1-9

(Pew Bible Page 906; Large Print 1,374)

Celebration of Holy Communion

Communion Hymns

"More Love to Thee, O Christ"

No. 828

"My Life Flows On (How Can I Keep From Singing?)"

No. 821

"O God, You Are My God (Step by Step)"

No. 743

Passing the Peace of Christ *(Please stand if able.)*

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Second Reading

Luke 1:1-4

(Pew Bible Page 1,024; Large Print 1,556)

Sermon

"Love, Love, Love"

Rev. Andrew Pomerville



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Thanksgiving and Dedication of Gifts

Offertory

"Beautiful Savior"

arr. Nancy Grundahl

Alina Tamborini, soprano

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

**God, in whom we move and have our being, you know us, love us and sustain us.
We praise you for your goodness and thank you for your care.**

**Loving God, we seek to follow your desire, walk in your ways and to observe
your commandments to love you with all our heart and love our neighbors as
ourselves. Amen.**

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

"All Glory Be To God On High"

J.S. Bach

COUNTDOWN TO VBS:
'CAVE QUEST: FOLLOWING JESUS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD'
IS JUNE 13-17 AT WOLDUMAR NATURE CENTER.

Today's Floral Offering

Given by Wes & Susan Reedy in honor of their children and grandchildren.

THEOPHILUS ("Friend/Lover of God")

Theophilus is the name or honorary title of the person to whom the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles are addressed (Luke 1:3, Acts 1:1). Some traditions hold Theophilus is any reader (Lover of God) while others suggest a Roman official, Jewish temple priest or Jewish resident of Alexandria.



LOVE (Greek: *agápe*, Latin: *caritas*)

Agápe love is the unconditional and unconquerable goodwill (charity) - "to will the good of the other," according to St. Thomas Aquinas. It is given freely without asking anything in return or considering the worth of its object. *Agápe* is more a love by choice than affectionate friendship, *philia*, or emotion, *éros*.

"Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." - John 15:13

MEET JOE KENNEDY

We wish a warm welcome to Joe Kennedy, who will be interning with our church staff this summer. Joe is an Alma College student who is considering entering seminary to discern a call to ministry. Joe will help out in the church office and shadow our pastors while he is with us through the summer.



COLLECTION FOR REFUGEES | JUNE 5 & 12

The Community Engagement Ministry has sponsored quarterly donations for local refugees through our partnership with St. Vincent Catholic Charities Refugee Services. We will collect twin-size bed sheets (new or gently used and clean) today and next Sunday. Look for collection baskets in the Northwest Entrance.

VISITING MISSIONARIES | JUNE 15

We are excited to welcome Justin and Renee Sundberg, our Presbyterian missionary partners who serve Nicaragua. The Sundbergs will join us for *Wednesday Night Live!* on June 15. They will offer a presentation about their work at 6:15 following our weekly community meal at 5:30 p.m. We are looking for overnight hosts for their 6-member-family on June 15; either one family who can take in all six or two families who can host three each. If you are able to host them, contact Pastor Drew.

EDGEWOOD COMMUNITY GARDEN

Garden with our neighbors in Edgewood Village. We gather from 6 to 8 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday each month through the summer: June 22, July 27, Aug. 24 and Sept. 28. Questions? Contact Gary Beaudoin at garybeaudoin@me.com.

PEOPLES 101 | TODAY

Do you want to know more about The Peoples Church? Join us for our next informal Peoples 101 Q&A session following the 10:30 a.m. worship service **TODAY**. All are welcome.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE! JUNE 8 - AUGUST 24

5:30 p.m. - Community Meal, Friendship Hall
6:15 p.m. - Worship Service, McCune Chapel

I WANT TO HELP GARDEN AT EDGEWOOD VILLAGE THIS SUMMER

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