



*After the earthquake came a fire, but
the Lord was not in the fire. And after
the fire came a gentle whisper.*

- 1 Kings 19:12

ORDER OF WORSHIP | June 12, 2016

Prelude "Fugue" from Sonata II Felix Mendelssohn

Welcome to The Peoples Church! Rev. Andrew Pomerville

Call to Worship Dave Forsberg (8:30 a.m.)
Mark Grua (10:30 a.m.)

Leader: When we long for the special gifts
and miracles we think life should offer:

**People: it is enough, for us, that God comes in a soft,
summer shower.**

Leader: When our hearts are cracked by the
drought of doubt:

**People: it is enough, for us, that God opens up
the fountains of faith for us.**

Leader: When our senses are deadened by constant
noises of our culture:

**People: it is enough, for us, that God wraps us
in the silence of grace.**

Opening Hymn "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" No. 645

Children's Moment I (10:30 a.m.)

Prayers of the People

Leader: We see Elijah calling on the name of God, responding
to the forces of evil with an appeal to a higher power.

People: May we be a people of faith.

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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.

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



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Leader: We see Elijah caring for the most vulnerable,
offering bread to the widow and a healing touch to her child.

People: May we be a people of compassion.

Leader: We see Elijah speaking truth to power,
daring to deliver words of judgment to the King.

People: May we be a people of justice.

Leader: We see Elijah ascend in the whirlwind,
offering the promise of the still unfolding future.

People: May we be a people of hope.

(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.

First Reading

1 Kings 17:1-24
(Pew Bible Page 352; Large Print 500)

Solo

“O Rest In The Lord” from *Elijah*
Joe Kennedy, bass-baritone

Felix Mendelssohn

Celebration of Holy Communion (8:30 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’s Moment II (10:30 a.m.)

Second Reading

1 Kings 19:1-14
(Pew Bible Page 355; Large Print 505)

Sermon

“Stark Silence”
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Rev. Andrew Pomerville

Hymn

“Spirit of the Living God”

No. 288

Prayer of Affirmation

O God, we confess we do not always understand your ways. We are easily discouraged when life takes unexpected turns and our carefully laid out plans come to nothing. We confess that we are quick to give up when things get difficult and quick to question your presence and power.

Grant us patience to wait for your good timing. Open our ears to listen for your gentle whisper when we least expect it. Give us courage to step out in faith and obedience, trusting in your leading even when we cannot yet see the outcome. Amen.

Thanksgiving and Dedication of Gifts

Offertory

"God Will Take Care of You"

arr. Roger C. Wilson

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

Closing Hymn

"Amazing Grace"

No. 649

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

"Maestoso" from Sonata III

Felix Mendelssohn

Today's Floral Offering | Given by Wes & Susan Reedy in honor of their children and grandchildren.

Today's Fellowship Offering | Given by Marion Heil & Susan Godfrey in memory of Roy H. Heil.

ELIJAH was a prophet who operated in the northern kingdom of Israel during the reign of Ahab (9th century BC), according to the books of Kings. He defended the worship of the Lord over that of the Canaanite idol Ba'al and God performed many miracles through him, including raising the dead, bringing fire from the sky and taking the prophet up to heaven "by a whirlwind."



PATIENCE

(Greek: *makrothumia*, Latin: *longanimitas*)

Patience includes the concepts of forbearance, long-suffering and a willingness to bear wrongs. The Greek world applied this word to a man who could avenge himself but did not. It is often used in the Scripture in reference to God's attitude toward humanity. Exodus 34:6 describes the Lord as "slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity."

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VISITING MISSIONARIES | JUNE 15

We are excited to welcome Justin and Renee Sundberg, our Presbyterian missionary partners who serve Nicaragua to *Wednesday Night Live!* on June 15. They will offer a presentation about their work at 6:15 p.m. following the community meal.

UNDIE SUNDAYS | BEGINS JUNE 19

The Community Engagement Ministry will again sponsor summer-time "Undie Sundays," collecting new socks, underwear and undershirts for local K-12 children. Donations can be placed in the red basket at the Welcome Center June 19 - Aug. 14.

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.

PRESCHOOL NEEDS SUBS & ASSISTANTS

Peoples Church Preschool summer enrollment is at capacity and we are in need of seasonal teaching assistants and substitutes. Interested? Contact the Preschool Office at 517-332-2885.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

5:30 p.m. - Community Meal, Friendship Hall

6:15 p.m. - Worship Service, McCune Chapel

I WANT TO GARDEN AT EDGEWOOD

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E-mail: _____

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