

*“Repent and be baptised
every one of you...”*

ORDER OF WORSHIP | August 13, 2017

Prelude “Prelude On Two Folk Hymns” Lee Hastings Bristol
Judy Kabodian, Organist

Welcome to The Peoples Church! Rev. Andrew Pomerville

Call to Worship (Acts 2:39)

Leader: The promise from Jesus Christ is that our sins are forgiven!

People: This promise is for us, for our children, and for our children’s children.

Leader: Let us not be afraid to share this good news with all the world!

People: And let this gospel message change us forever!

Gathering Hymn “Lord, When I Came into This Life” **No. 691**
(Please stand if able.)

Prayer of Confession (Acts 2)

We confess to you how often our thoughts and motives are confused, both individually and when we are together as your people, and that this confusion has often blinded us to your interest in our lives.

Break in on our confusion, and astonish us anew, O God! Our prayer is that you will claim us again and silence within us our desire to always have words for every occasion. In the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we pray. 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
6:30 p.m. - Yoga



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Congregational Response "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" (v.3)

No. 475

***O to grace how great a debtor, daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.***

First Reading Psalm 46
(Pew Bible Page 563; Large Print 818-819)

Children's Moment (10:30 a.m.)
(Children are dismissed to participate in "Deep Blue" Summer Sunday School at this time. You may pick up your child in the McCune Chapel following the worship service.)

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.

Solo "Loving God, Hear Us" Gabriel Fauré
Christine Roberts, mezzo-soprano

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.

Second Reading Acts 2:37-42
(Pew Bible Page 1,092; Large Print 1,658-1,659)

Sermon "Baptism in an Uncertain World" Rev. Andrew Pomerville
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Thanksgiving and Dedication of Gifts

Offertory "Still, Still With Thee" arr. Craig Courtney

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

By your mercy and grace, grant us wisdom for these days of dreaming, of remembering and of living into the coming of your future, strengthened by your witnesses of the past. Through Jesus Christ, who was, is and ever will be. Amen.

Welcome of New Members (10:30 a.m.)

Deb and Pat Mercer
Margaret Tassaro and Eric Tans

Profession of Faith

**We believe the teachings of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior,
and with the help of God, we will strive daily to live the life of purity,
unselfishness and service which he exemplified to the world.**

Hymn

"Wonder of Wonders, Here Revealed"

No. 489

Benediction

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 your 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

"Simple Gifts"

arr. Wilbur Held

Today's Floral Offering

Given in celebration of the life of Carol O. Ekern by Fran Ekern.

KICKOFF SUNDAY & CHICKEN DINNER: SEPTEMBER 10!

8:30 a.m.

Worship Service, Chapel

10:30 a.m.

Worship Service,
Sanctuary &
Children's Sunday
School, third floor

11:30 a.m.

Chicken Dinner Celebration,
Snider Social Hall



Learn about upcoming programs for all ages, register for classes, and collect some giveaways! All are welcome on the journey!

STYROFOAM RECYCLING

The Earth Stewardship Committee would like to thank you for being good stewards of the earth! When bringing styrofoam to church for recycling, please remember that the church only accepts clean styrofoam and only on Sundays. Dirty containers or items dropped off during the week will be thrown away, as we cannot store or wash styrofoam. Packing peanuts are not accepted here, but you can take them to PostNet in Okemos.

LAPTOPS FOR LEARNING

Beginning this fall, Children's Christian Ed. is beginning *Wednesday Night Live* by gaming our way through the Joseph story and Exodus using curriculum from *Sunday Software*. To make this possible, we are looking for 6-8 gently used laptops. They need to be Windows 7 or newer and capable of connecting to the Internet. If you are upgrading or have one lying around you could donate, please contact Julie Bills at jbills@thepeopleschurch.com.

SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION JULY 30 - AUGUST 26

The week before school begins, Reo Elementary teachers will be going into the community, handing out school supplies to the Lansing School District students. Please help with this project by donating school supplies throughout the month of August. We are hoping to collect at least 200 pencil boxes filled with pencils, a box of markers, crayons, and colored pencils, a pair of scissors, glue sticks, and a small pencil sharpener. Items can be dropped off in the office during the week, or on Sundays in the northwest entrance.

CONFIRMATION CLASS: REGISTRATION

If there is a student in your family entering 8th or 9th grade who has not yet participated in Confirmation Class, please contact Pastor Drew. He can answer your questions and get your student signed up for the class starting this fall. Reach Pastor Drew at 908-4448 or dfilkins@thepeopleschurch.com.

FAMILY FUN EVENT: ZAP ZONE!

Join the fun at Zap Zone in Lansing, **August 26** from 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. \$5 cost includes 3 tickets and a pizza lunch! Registration and payment are due by August 15. Make checks payable to The Peoples Church with "family event" on the memo line. Sign up on The Peoples Church Facebook page, or email Julie Bills at jbills@thepeopleschurch.com. Hope to see you there!

Articles for the September Portal Newsletter are due by August 18. Please email them to Betsy at eaho@thepeopleschurch.com or stop by the office.