



BE STRONG IN THE LORD AND IN THE STRENGTH OF GOD'S MIGHT.

EPHESIANS 6:10

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 | August 6, 2017

Prelude "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" arr. Flor Peeters
Judy Kabodian, Organist

Welcome to The Peoples Church! Rev. Andrew Pomerville

Call to Worship (Inspired by Ephesians 5)

Leader: Give thanks to God!

People: We thank God for joy, for laughter, for abundant blessings of every kind.

Leader: Give thanks to God at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: We thank God that, in Christ, our joys as well as our pain, our losses as well as our laughter, are in God's heart and hands.

Gathering Hymn "Fight the Good Fight" **No. 846**
(Please stand if able.)

Prayer of Confession (Ephesians 6)

Spirit of God, we confess that we put on airs more often than we put on the armor of God. We are guilty of girding ourselves with lies instead of the truth. We try to protect ourselves with arrogance, superstition, and self-reliance instead of righteousness, faith, and your gift of salvation. Forgive us, Holy God. Gift us with the wisdom and strength to change our ways, so that we may live as your faithful ambassadors of the Good News. Amen.

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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***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 Matthew 10:28-31
(Pew Bible Page 975; Large Print 1,483-1,484)

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 "Sweet Hour of Prayer" arr. Gilbert Martin
Nic Krieder,

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 Ephesians 6:10-20
(Pew Bible Page 1,177; Large Print 1,781-1,782)

Sermon "Getting Dressed to Pray" Rev. Andrew Pomerville
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Thanksgiving and Dedication of Gifts

Offertory "Battle Hymn of the Republic" arr. Mark Hayes

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

Creator God, whose Son was a carpenter, you have put within us the desire to be creative through the thoughts of our brains and the work of our hands. Enable us so to order our society that none may be denied the right to work for a fair wage, so that full employment and just relationships may characterize the industries of our world . In Jesus' name. Amen.

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

Royce and Maggie Hoggard
Bob and Sandy Zwemer

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

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

No. 546

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 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

"Fight the Good Fight"

arr. Ron Boud

Today's Floral Offering

Given in honor of Shady's 10th birthday (Loretta Johnston's dog).

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 make this possible 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.

UNDIE SUNDAYS!

Undie Sundays continue through August 6. Underpants, undershirts, and socks for school age children will be given to Judson Memorial Church for distribution to low income families. Donations may be placed in the red "Kids' Stuff" basket near the Welcome Center. Thank you!

JDRF: ONE WALK

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation One Walk has one goal: to create a world without type 1 diabetes. The Peoples Church has been walking with JDRF for many years and we hope to again have strong participation! Our local JDRF One Walk takes place on Saturday, August 5, 2017 at The Rock at MSU (corner of Farm Lane and Auditorium). Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m. and the walk begins at 9:30 a.m. Choose the 1 mile or 3 mile route. To create, join, or donate to a team on-line, search "JDRF One Walk". Contact Carol Dooley for more information at, 517-349-0881 or caroldooley@comcast.net.

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.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION!

We are thrilled to announce that Rev. Betsy Aho has accepted the call as Associate Pastor at The Peoples Church!

Her service of Ordination and Installation will be Sunday, August 27, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. at The Peoples Church with a reception to follow. The morning will be a joyful service of worship and a time for the congregation to celebrate all that God is doing here. Please plan to join us for this occasion!

FAMILY FUN EVENT: ZAP ZONE!

Join the fun at Zap Zone in Lansing on August 26 from 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The cost is \$5 for 3 tickets and a pizza lunch! (Please let us know of dietary restrictions). Registration and payment are due by August 15, with checks made out to The Peoples Church and "family event" in memo line. Sign up through the church Facebook event or email Julie Bills, Children's Christian Education Director, at jbills@thepeopleschurch.com. We hope you can join us.

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