

SUNDAY WORSHIP NOVEMBER 19, 2017



SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m.

Worship Service, Chapel

9:30 a.m.

Adult Sunday School

Carol Choir Rehearsal

Confirmation Class

PCYG Bible Exploration

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

6:10 p.m.

Youth Choir

6:30 p.m.

High School Youth Group

**WEDNESDAY
NIGHT LIVE!**

**will return on
November 29.**

**Happy
Thanksgiving!**



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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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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.

INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING

Join us, here at The Peoples Church, November 20 at 7:00 p.m. as we host the Interfaith Clergy Association of Greater Lansing Interfaith Thanksgiving. More details on the back of this bulletin.



MAKE A GIFT ONLINE

ThePeoplesChurch.com/GIVE

Children through 5th grade are invited to participate in Sunday School following the Children's Moment during service. Please be sure to check-in your child at one of the kiosks located in Friendship Hall, prior to worship service, to receive a name tag for your child. Julie Bills, Children's Christian Education Director, will lead the children to the classrooms on the third floor for Sunday School. At the conclusion of worship, you may pick up your child on the third floor; please show the security code you received at check-in to the teacher.

ORDER OF WORSHIP | NOVEMBER 19, 2017

Prelude (8:30 a.m.) "Psalm 148" Michael Burkhardt

Prelude (10:30 a.m.) "Hymn of Thanksgiving" arr. Ellen Jane Lorenz
Clarion Ringers, Directed by Elizabeth Reed

Choral Introit (10:30 a.m.) "Jubilate Deo" Dale Wood
Sanctuary Choir, directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed

Welcome to The Peoples Church! Rev. Andrew Pomerville

Worship is both personal and communal, formal and informal, intimate and casual. Here at The Peoples Church, we recognize that people come to worship God in both joy and pain, faith and doubt, with laughter and with tears. Our worship tries to reflect a desire both for meditation and celebration. Please know you are invited to participate in any and all ways you feel led. Our songs, prayers, words and actions are the works of imperfect people trying to worship a perfect God.

First Reading Isaiah 9:1-7 Rev. Drew Filkins
(Pew Bible Page 687; Large Print 1,027)

Call to Worship (Isaiah 9)

Leader: The People who walked in darkness have seen a great light:

People: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Leader: Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.

People: We have beheld Christ's glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

Leader: For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given.

People: In him was life, and the life was the light of humanity.

Gathering Hymn "Sing Glory to the Name of God!" No. 10

Procession of the Light of Christ Sophia and Jack Fickies, Acolytes

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

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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.

Congregational Response "Christ Is Alive!" (verse 1)

No. 246

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing! The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall
never die.

Celebration of Holy Communion (8:30 a.m.)

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

Rev. Drew Filkins

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

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Solo (8:30 a.m.)

"The People That Walked in Darkness" *from Messiah*
Peter Boylan, baritone

G.F. Handel

Anthem (10:30 a.m.)

"Song of Exaltation"

John Ness Beck

Second Reading

Matthew 4:12-17
(Pew Bible Page 968; Large Print 1,472)

Sermon

"Lighthouses"
 [#Connect2TPC #TPCsermon](https://twitter.com/Connect2TPC)

Rev. Andrew Pomerville

Responsive Hymn

"Make a Joyful Noise to God!"

No. 54

Thanksgiving and Dedication of Gifts

Offertory (10:30 a.m.)

"Come Thankful People"

arr. Tim Waugh

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

Dear Lord, we ask that you use these gifts we have given, that they might serve in your community, both here and across the world. We ask that you use your children to make your community reflect your kingdom. Help us provide for those who need your grace and we ask that all may see your love through our service. Amen.

Sending Hymn

"The Lord is God!"

No. 63

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

"Now Thank We All Our God "

arr. John Ferguson



Today's Floral Offering
Given to the glory of God.

RACIAL INEQUALITY: "13TH" DISCUSSION

From 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., **TODAY**, join us in the Robertson Room to take part in an important discussion on racial inequality in the American prison system, based on the documentary "13th: From Slave to Criminal With One Amendment." LaShawn Erby, Executive Director of Action of Greater Lansing, will facilitate the discussion and a panel presentation.



MEET THE ARTIST!

Bobbi Kilty, M.F.A., our current featured artist is here, **TODAY!** The Fine Arts Committee invites you to meet her immediately following the 10:30 a.m. worship service in Friendship Hall. You can view Bobbi's artwork, "Intimate Views," in the Northwest Hallway and in the Thomsen Case across from the Library. This is a great opportunity to thank Bobbi for sharing her talents with us!

THIS WEEK AT WNL!

There will not be any *Wednesday Night Live!* programming this week, November 22. Be sure to join us in the Robertson Room on Wednesday, November 29 at 6:30 p.m., for an exploration of the Songs of Christmas. All are welcome!

PEOPLES 101

Got a question you've been dying to ask about The Peoples Church? Are you new and just want more information? Looking for ways to get involved? Come to a 20-30 minute informal discussion with a Pastor and members of the Welcome Ministry in the Robertson Room on Sunday, December 3 immediately following 10:30 a.m. worship. We've got answers and all are welcome!

THE PEOPLES FORUM

There will not be a Peoples Forum on Sunday, November 26. Be sure to join us on Sunday, December 3 when the Peoples Forum reconvenes and welcomes Ken Beachler, who will give us a holiday reading. The Peoples Forum welcomes a different speaker each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Robertson Room.



SNOW PANTS COLLECTION!

Our Snow pants collection continues! All new and gently used snow pants are delivered to Judson Memorial Baptist Church for distribution in the Lansing area. A collection box is outside of the main office. Thank you for keeping our kids warm while playing outside in the Michigan weather!

BOY SCOUT COBBLERFEST!

TODAY immediately following the 10:30 a.m. worship service, Troop 2 will be hosting their annual Cobblerfest fundraiser. Come and enjoy fresh Dutch Oven desserts and treats prepared by the Boy Scouts of Troop 2. Donations are welcomed and appreciated!

POINSETTIA & WREATH SALE

The Women of Peoples Church Annual Christmas Poinsettia and Wreath Sale is going on now! Place your orders on Sundays near the Welcome Desk through November 26. Order pick-up is in the gym on Saturday, December 2 following the Advent Tea or Sunday, December 3 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.



WPC ANNUAL ADVENT TEA

Tickets are on sale now for the annual Women of Peoples Church Advent Tea. Mark your calendars for **Saturday, December 2** from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., and join us! This year's theme is Love in Action—Building Community with guest speaker Caroline Jacobs, the Faith & Community Engagement Director from Capital Region Habitat for Humanity. Purchase your tickets in Friendship Hall between worship services and after the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Tickets are \$8 for one, \$15 for two, and \$40 for eight (a full table).



WPC JEWELRY SALE

Donations are needed of old, new, estate, costume, collectible and broken jewelry for the WPC jewelry sale to be held May 19 and 20, 2018. We will also be collecting scarves, hand bags, art, wallets, MSU items, puzzles, games and watches. Donations can be dropped off at the church office Monday - Friday between 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Tax receipt available.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Gerri Lynn Nichols, our fantastic Hospitality Coordinator, is looking for some help with clean up during *Wednesday Night Live!* from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Interested in helping? Contact Gerri Lynn at gnichols@thepeoplechurch.com. Thanks for lending a hand!

EDGEWOOD VILLAGE CHRISTMAS GIFTS!

You're invited to help the children at Edgewood Village enjoy a wonderful Christmas. On December 3 and December 10, a Christmas tree with gift ideas will be in the Northwest Entrance. Choose an ornament and return the new, unwrapped gift by December 17 so it can be wrapped and delivered before Christmas morning! If you can assist with gift wrapping on Wednesday, December 20 at 1:00 p.m. in the Robertson Room, please sign up below and put in the offering plate.

____ Yes! I can help wrap gifts for Edgewood Village! Please contact me.

Name: _____

email: _____

phone: _____

SOUTHSIDE COMMUNITY KITCHEN

Each week Southside Community Kitchen serves 200 - 250 meals to hungry people of all ages, and for 30 years they've depended on volunteers to help. The Peoples Church participates in this effort the third Tuesday of each month from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Galilee Baptist Church, 2511 Reo Rd., Lansing. To help, please contact Jan Perron at jrperron@comcast.net or look for a sign up in the bulletin next week!

DORCAS CIRCLE

Dorcas Circle will meet on Tuesday, November 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the Robertson Room. There will be a presentation about "Care Free" a service to our community that provides medical and mental health services, free of charge, for those without insurance coverage.

#EmbodyGratitude

INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE RIGHT HERE! | NOVEMBER 20

On November 20, at 7:00 p.m., The Peoples Church proudly hosts the premier event of the Interfaith Clergy Association of Greater Lansing—The Interfaith Thanksgiving Service. Clergy from a diverse range of faith traditions gather in a spirit of gratitude as we, together, explore this year's theme, "Embody Gratitude." You will not want to miss the service, the interfaith choir directed by our own Dr. Reed, and a feeling of unity and mutual respect across faith lines. A reception will follow for all in Snider Social Hall. Please join us and post about your experience using #embody-gratitude.

WANT TO GIVE BACK BUT SHORT ON TIME? NO PROBLEM!

The following volunteer opportunities are perfect for people with busy schedules. This could be just what you've been looking for!

Holy Grounds Coffee Fellowship: help provide coffee service between worship services and after the 10:30 a.m. service. Contact Jane Ledebuhr at jledebuhr@yahoo.com to learn more and sign up.

Personal Needs Closet Ministry: This ministry provides over 300 families each year with personal needs not covered by food assistance. They need help with shopping, calling, packing and distribution. Contact Mary Heiderson at 333.9396 or maryheiderson@gmail.com.

Sunday Morning Greeters: Welcome our Sunday worshipers with a smile and a handshake before the worship service begins. You sign up for Sundays that are convenient for you. Contact Julie Pierce at juliepierce2@earthlink.net or under the "connect" menu at ThePeoplesChurch.com.

Visitation Team: Connect with a homebound member of our congregation once a month to keep that member connected to their church family. You make the connection when you are able to, and visits can be very rewarding! Contact Gretchen Rosenbrook at 517.332.5132 or Pat Brogan at pbrogan500@aol.com if interested.

Flower Delivery: Deliver Sanctuary flowers to a homebound church member after worship on Sunday. You sign up for Sundays that are convenient for you. Contact Pat Brogan at pbrogan500@aol.com to volunteer!

