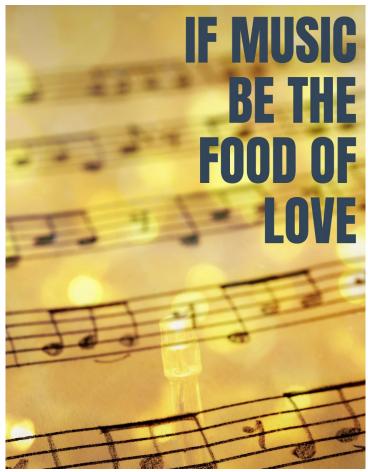
Sanctuary Service, April 28, 2024







THE PEOPLES CHURCH

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SERVICE INFORMATION

Sanctuary Service: 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary & livestreamed on YouTube.

Sunday School will take place after the Children's Moment.

Professional nursery care is provided for children under 3.

A nursing room is available for those who need it. Ask an usher or the Welcome Desk for directions.

Please join us after the service in our front lobby for coffee hour and fellowship!

LISTENING DEVICES

We now offer listening devices that amplify sound from stage microphones, which are available upon request.

ASL INTERPRETED SERVICE

The Peoples Church is proud to welcome American Sign Language interpreters for our Sunday worship services

SENSORY TOOL KIT

A Sensory Tool Kit is reserved for individuals who get overstimulated during church services and need something to help calm the nervous system. The kit can be borrowed at the Welcome desk.

THE PEOPLES CHURCH STAFF

Office hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Mon.-Fri., and Sunday mornings. Phones are monitored from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

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Dr. Jonathan Reed, Director of Music

Rev. Penny Swartz, Minister Emeritus

COUNCIL OF ELDERS

Elders meet at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Robertson Room. John Lindley, Chair (elders@thepeopleschurch.com).

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.

JOIN US REMOTELY!

To join the online
livestream of the
worship service, you
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of East Lansing
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Please take this opportunity to fill out the black attendance pad found at the end of your pew.

Prelude "Shine, Jesus, Shine"

Graham Kendrick

Clarion Ringers

Accompanied by Sarah Dymond—flute

Directed by Elizabeth Reed

Acolytes: Gabriel and Theodore Eysselinck

Welcome Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

Processional "Joyful Bell Processional"

Nancy Cappel

Coppertone Ringers

Directed by Elizabeth Reed

*Call to Worship Cara Ronk

One Make a joyful noise all you people!

Come into God's presence with singing.

All With songs of praise and shouts of joy,

We come into the presence of God.

One Rejoice and sing for God's love endures forever.

Let our hearts rejoice with praise and thanksgiving.

All For God is good and God's mercy endures forever.

Let us worship and praise the Lord!

*Gathering Hymn

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

no. 366

Prayer of Confession

Holy One, we are distressed by the troubles of this world. Everywhere we look, we see problems and crises. There is so much suffering and violence, we feel powerless and weary. We are tempted to turn away from you and give in to despair. Yet through your word, you speak to us of love and hope and healing. You give us a vision of the world renewed and restored. Forgive our sins, almighty God, and open our minds to receive your truth through scripture. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Moment of Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

*Confession Response

"Thine Is The Glory"

Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;

Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you! And also with you!

Celebration of Graduates

Kailynn Guthaus, Rhiannon Kewin, Cooper Mellor, Haley Phillips, Tori Watson,
Lily Callis, Mallory Frisbie, Jenna Ruff, Elisha Smith

Scripture Reading

1 John 4:7-12

Cara Ronk

Meditation

"If Music be the Food of Love ... "

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

Mozart Requiem

Sanctuary Choir
Directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed

I. Introit: Requiem

II. Kyrie

III. Sequence

IV. Offertory

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Haley Hansen

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.

V. Communion

Lux Aeterna

*Benediction

Postlude

"Grand Choeur"

Judy Kabodian, Organist

Théodore Dubois

Soloists

Melanie Walker, Soprano Clara Fuller, Mezzo-Soprano Connor Lindsey, Tenor Ben Clements, Bass

Violin

Daniella Greene Leonid Tsoy Endi Chen Edgar Querales Alirna Korieva Yuanmiao Li

Viola

Gerson Medina Jiajing Fang

Cello

Mira Cheng Myeonggyun Charles Noh

Bass

Ben Merte

Bassett Horns

Elyor Gofurov Sunil Kim

Bassoon

Octavia Hernandez Aidan Binford

Trombone

Austin Blower

Timpani

Catherine Lee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>SPRING CLEAN-UP:</u> The spring clean-up will occur on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 4 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.</u> Cleaning, this spring, will focus on window wells and landscape debris. Please bring your own rake or broom, as there will be limited supplies available. Rubbish bags will be provided. Contact Zack Matthews at zmatthews@thepeopleschurch.com for more information.

<u>NEW MEMBER INTEREST CLASS:</u> If you are interested in learning more about The Peoples Church and the membership process, please attend our New Member Interest Class on **May 5th following the 10:30 a.m. service in the Centennial Room** (in the basement just inside the Snider Social Hall). The class lasts about an hour. Childcare provided upon request. Please let Beth Lundy, blundy@thepeopleschurch.com, know if you are interested and/or have any questions.

THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE: The Library Committee is collecting used books in good condition for the Book Sale. Donations can be placed on the Stage in the Snider Social Hall. We ask that you do not donate textbooks, magazines, encyclopedias, or special interest sets. Non-fiction and children's books are greatly appreciated! If you'd like to volunteer or if you have any questions, please contact Susan Godfrey at s.godfrey@sbcglobal.net.

BOOKS, JEWELRY & MORE SALE: Our big "Used Books, Jewelry & More Sale!" is just a month away and scheduled for **May 18-19th in Snider Social Hall and the Gym.** We are still accepting donations and need a few more volunteers to help work the sale. If you love thrifting or enjoy picking, you'll love browsing our sale while also helping others shop! Shifts can be 2-4 hours long or you can stay all day! Please email Jessica Eysselinck with your day/time requests at jess@eysselinck.com.

<u>IN-PERSON GREAT DECISIONS:</u> We invite you to come to our first post-COVID Great Decisions Thursday, May 9 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the Robertson Room. In conjunction with the Peoples Church Earth Stewardship Committee, we are pleased to welcome our speaker, Omar Gates, a Climatologist for GLISA, the Great Lakes Integrated Sciences and Assessments Center at U of M. He will address the topic of climate change in the Great Lakes region, with a focus on Michigan; this will be followed by a Q and A session. All are welcome!

<u>JONATHAN REED'S RETIREMENT PARTY:</u> On Saturday, May 11th, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., we are hosting a reception in honor of Jonathan Reed at The Peoples Church. There will be appetizers, music, stories and laughter – some of Jonathan's favorite things! While there is no cost for this event, we do ask that you RSVP to The Peoples Church (office@thepeopleschurch.com). Donations will be gratefully accepted to offset costs.

<u>CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS:</u> The Community Engagement Ministry has chosen to provide a \$300 scholarship to any child or youth in our congregation who would like to attend summer camp administered by one of our 4 denominations. Those interested should register themselves. The scholarship will be reimbursed, or we can send a check if there is time. They are provided on a first come-first serve basis. To receive an application, contact Kim Gools at kgools@yahoo.com.

PROGRAMMING AT THE PEOPLES CHURCH

<u>ACHE:</u> Adults Connecting & Having Events is a group for young adults that meets twice a month for events and outings. For more information about ACHE, email Pastor Haley at hhansen@thepeopleschurch.com, and follow "ACHE The Peoples Church" on Facebook and "ache_thepeopleschurch" on Instagram.

<u>COLLEGE MINISTRY:</u> Campus/College Ministry is specifically for college age folks to meet and connect for fellowship and special events. Campus Ministry usually meets twice a month for events and outings. For more information, contact Pastor Haley by emailing hhansen@thepeopleschurch.com., and follow Peoples Church Campus Ministry on Facebook and Instagram.

<u>ENGAGING THE WORD:</u> Pastor Shawnthea leads the in-person book study group on **Mondays from 11** a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Robertson Room, and the Wednesday Bible study over Zoom from 9 to 10 a.m. The Zoom link is: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81926804577. This week's passage is Acts 10:44-48.

<u>PEOPLES CHURCH YOUTH GROUP:</u> Today, PCYG will be preparing the undergraduates breakfast at **8:30** a.m. to **9:30** a.m., the graduates breakfast will happen from **9:30** a.m. to **10:30** a.m. (all PCYG students and families are invited), and Graduation Sunday and Coppertones for service from **10:30** a.m. to **11:30** a.m.

<u>PORCH OF HEAVEN</u>: Porch of Heaven is a Lectio Divina service that takes place **Mondays at 6:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary Balcony.** Lectio Divina is a long-practiced method of reading scripture that can inspire new insights into biblical texts. It involves silence, mindfulness, and sharing. If you are curious about this new worship opportunity, try visiting Porch of Heaven, or contact Tom Schaberg by emailing taschaberg1@gmail.com for more information.

<u>PUB THEOLOGY:</u> Pub Theology happens once a month to engage in conversation about faith, life, and what is happening in the world. The next Pub Theology gathering will be **Tuesday, May 7 at 6:30 p.m.** For more information about this event, email Pastor Haley Hansen at hhansen@thepeopleschurch.com.

<u>TAIZE SERVICE</u>: Our next Taize service is **Tonight at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel**. Taize services take place on the fourth Sunday of every month, and consist of repetitive and meditative singing, prayer, scripture, and silence. It is a powerful, quiet, contemplative worship experience. All are welcome.

<u>TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP:</u> The Tuesday Men's Group will discuss the book, "Short Stories by Jesus—The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi" by Amy Jill-Levine, **Tuesday in the Robertson Room at 7:30 a.m.**

<u>WEDNESDAY MEN'S GROUP:</u> Join the men's Wednesday discussion group that meets **every Wednesday at noon in The Robertson Room** for good conversation and donuts. The group is currently reading 'The Christian Agnostic' by Leslie D. Weatherhead.

<u>WEDNESDAYS @ PEOPLES CHURCH:</u> Join us **every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.** in Snider Social Hall for a community dinner! Dance aerobics will be held in the gym at **6 p.m.** and Pastor Haley will be hosting her Bible study at **6:30 p.m.** this week.

<u>CARDBOARD PROPHETS APRIL DONATIONS</u>: In 2024, The Peoples Church will be collecting a specific item each month to donate to Cardboard Prophets, a Lansing-based group that provides help to the homeless. We are not asking for new items, but items that are donated must be laundered and in good repair. If you have gently used and clean items, please place them in the blue plastic storage bin located near the church office on the east side of the sanctuary. **In April,** we are collecting men's and women's shorts, shirts and belts.