

# SUNDAY WORSHIP

## August 28th, 2022



### Sunday Schedule

Worship Service: 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary & Livestreamed on YouTube.

Sunday School begins after the Children's Moment.

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.

### ASL Interpreted Service

The Peoples Church is proud to welcome ASL interpreters for our Sunday worship service and for special events.

### 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

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### COUNCIL OF ELDERS

Elders meet at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Robertson Room. Bev Mason, 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,  
click [here!](#)

To join the worship  
service via  
telephone,  
dial (844) 933-0517

**MAKE A GIFT  
ONLINE**

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# Order of Service | August 28th, 2022

**Prelude**

Sonata No. 1  
Judy Kabodian, organist

Charles W. Ore

*Please take this opportunity to fill out the black attendance pad found at the end of your pew.*

**Welcome**

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

## ***\*Call to Worship***

One: God, the creator of heaven and earth, has called us to this place.  
Be still and know that God is here.

**All: God is our strength and our redeemer,  
An ever-present source of help in times of trouble.**

One: God spoke to the formless void and called the world into being.  
Everything that God has made was made for a purpose.

**All: We give thanks for God's presence and all the gifts we have received.  
We rejoice and give thanks to our Creator!**

One: God's goodness is present in all of creation.  
Let us celebrate the wonders of this world.

**All: God has entrusted us with this glorious creation!  
Let us worship and praise the Lord!**

## ***\*Gathering Hymn***

All Things Bright and Beautiful (v. 1-4)

no. 20

***Refrain: All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.***

*Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, God made their glowing colors; God made their tiny wings. Refrain.*

*The purple headed mountain, the river running by, the sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky: Refrain.*

*The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun, the ripe fruits in the garden, God made them every one. Refrain.*

***Continued...***



*Today we all are called to be disciples of the Lord, to help to set captive free, make plowshare out of the sword, to feed the hungry, quench their thirst, make love and peace our fast, to serve the poor and homeless first, our ease and comfort last.*

*God made the world and at its birth ordained our human race to live as stewards of the earth, responding to God's grace. But we are vain and sadly proud; we sow not peace but strife. Our discord spreads a deadly cloud that threatens all of life.*

*May we in service to our God act out the living word, and walk the road the saints have trod till all have seen and heard. As stewards of the earth may we give thanks in one accord to God who calls us all to be disciples of the Lord.*

Today We Are Called to Be Disciples

Text: H. Kenn Carmichael, 1985

Music: *English County Songs*, 1893

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### ***Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer***

**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.**

### ***Invitation to Give***

### ***Offertory***

### ***\*Act of Praise***

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### ***Prayer of Dedication***

**Gracious God, bless this offering and the work that this money will support. Help us to be good stewards not just of our money but of our time and talents. May the ministry of this church bring Good News to people far and near. Amen.**

*For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God. For the gifts to every nation, thanks be to God. For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, future needs in earth's safe keeping, thanks be to God.*

*In the just reward of labor, God's will be done. In the help we give our neighbor, God's will be done. In our world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing, God's will be done.*

*For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God. For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God. For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us, most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God*

For the Fruit of All Creation  
Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1970  
Music: Welsh melody, c. 1784  
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### **Benediction**

#### **Benediction Response\***

no. 853

*We are marching in the light of God; we are marching in the light of God. We are marching in the light of God; we are marching in the of God. We are marching, marching, we are marching, oo, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching, marching, we are marching, oo, we are marching in the light of God.*

#### **Postlude**

L'armament  
Neil Mueller, trumpet

George-Philipp Telemann

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**FALL KICK-OFF:** Following worship on September 11th, The Peoples Church will be having a Ministry Fair and our Annual Chicken Dinner! The Ministry Fair will give the congregation an opportunity to get involved with committees and church groups that will start up in the fall. The Chicken Dinner officially launches our fall activities with a community feast!

## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

**BACK-TO-SCHOOL DRIVE:** Edgewood Village is in need of school supplies for the upcoming year. Edgewood Village Nonprofit's mission is to empower low-income households by providing access to affordable housing, educational opportunities, and community programming. Items accepted are backpacks, reusable lunch boxes, reusable water bottles, notebooks, binders, mechanical pencils, headphones, markers, colored pencils, folders, and calculators. Collection bins are located at the Welcome Desk. Thank you for your help!

**WOMEN'S RETREAT:** Set aside some time to renew your spirit, renew your faith, and renew your connection with God. Join us for our fall retreat for women at St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt. The program starts with dinner on Friday night, September 23rd, and ends with a closing worship on Saturday evening, September 24th. The program will feature three sessions led by Anita Smith Buckwalter, prayer, worship, and unstructured time for crafts, writing, or whatever makes your heart sing. The cost is \$105 (double occupancy) or \$120 (single occupancy) and includes four meals and all accommodations. If you have questions, please contact Beth Lundy ([blundy@thepeopleschurch.com](mailto:blundy@thepeopleschurch.com)). Space is limited, so sign up today. Scholarships are available upon request.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Saturday, October 1st from 6 to 8 p.m. we will celebrate the 115th anniversary of The Peoples Church! An RSVP link has been sent to your email.

**FAITH & BLUE:** National Faith & Blue Weekend will take place on October 7th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Martin Luther Chapel. Join your local law enforcement and members of your community for a weekend of resolution and reconciliation in an effort to build bridges and break biases.

**HAL LECTURE SERIES - JOHN PAVLOVITZ:** We are pleased to invite you to the sixth annual Henry and Annabel Larzelere Lecture Series on October 22 and 23, welcoming best-selling author and pastor, John Pavlovitz. John will preach at our Sunday morning worship service, and in the afternoon he will lead a lecture/discussion on Living a Life of Sustainable Compassion. In anticipation of this event, you may wish to read his latest book: 'If God is Love, Don't Be a Jerk: Finding a Faith That Makes Us Better Humans'. John is also the author of 'A Bigger Table, Hope and Other Superpowers', and 'Low'.

## WEEKLY HAPPENINGS AT THE PEOPLES CHURCH

**A.C.H.E.:** Adults Connecting Having Events will meet Monday, August 28th at 6:30 p.m. for a bonfire. Meet at the Peoples Church at 6:15 p.m. if you need a ride. For more information about this young adult group, follow [ache\\_thepeopleschurch](#) on Instagram or Contact Pastor Devon at [dherrell@thepeopleschurch.com](mailto:dherrell@thepeopleschurch.com).

**TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP:** The Tuesday morning men's group has started a **new book:** *The Divine Conspiracy: Rediscovering Our Hidden Life in God* by Dallas Willard. Now is a great time to join the group! We continue to meet at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesdays in the Robertson Room.

**ENGAGING THE WORD:** Led by Pastor Shawnthea, this group will meet Wednesdays on Zoom from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. **There will be no bible study this week on Wednesday, August 31st** The texts discussed will include passages for up-coming sermons along with other topics of interest. The Zoom link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81906921959>. Beginning Monday, September 12th, Engaging the Word will also be offered IN PERSON in the Robertson Room from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Please join us in-person on Mondays or via Zoom on Wednesdays! All are welcome!

**MEN'S WEDNESDAY NOON DISCUSSION GROUP:** We will reconvene on Wednesday, September 14th in the Robertson Room to begin our discussion of the book "Why I Would Have Killed Jesus and You Might Have Too" By David Nelson.

**CHICs (CONNECTED HEARTS IN CHRIST):** CHICs will meet on Thursday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Robertson Room, starting on September 8th. This fall we will read and discuss 'The Gifts of Imperfection: Let Go of Who You Think You're Supposed to Be and Embrace Who You Are' by Brené Brown. If you are interested in joining the group, contact Beth Lundy at [lundybb@comcast.net](mailto:lundybb@comcast.net) or (610)246-0029 for more information.



**SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE:** We will be worshipping at 9:30 a.m. through September 4th. This will provide some relief from parking congestion and prepare us (we hope!) to return to a schedule of two services (8:30/10:30) in the fall.