



“...your faith has
healed you.”

Mark 10:52

ALL ARE WELCOME
Whether you are young
or old, rich or poor,
doubtful or hopeful...
no matter where you
are in your faith jour-
ney, 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 | JUNE 30, 2019

Prelude “Lord Be Glorified” arr. Emma Lou Diemer
Judy Kabodian, organ

Welcome & Announcements Rev. Betsy Aho

Call to Worship (Inspired by Psalm 100)

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come into God’s presence with singing.

**People: We are God’s people, cared for and looked after like sheep in a pas-
ture. We know this: God is God, the one who made us, steadfast in
love.**

Leader: We come into God’s presence with great thanksgiving and praise! Bless-
ings and glory to God!

**People: For God is sheer beauty, all-generous in grace and mercy, loyal
always and ever.**

Gathering Hymn “All Creatures of Our God and King” (vs. 1-4) No. 15

Procession of the Light of Christ

Call to Confession Rev. Case Van Kempen

Leader: We know that nothing is able to separate us from the love of God in
Jesus Christ. In the freedom of that knowledge, let us recognize when
we have turned from God, and let us commit to living the lives we are
called to live, with God’s help.

Responsive Prayer of Confession

Leader: When we want to be a church responsive to the needs of today, yet cling to
comfortable ways:

People: Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us! (continued)

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30 a.m. - Chapel
10:30 a.m. - Sanctuary
10:30 a.m. - Sunday School



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Leader: When we want to honor your continued creativity in the world, but are fearful of insights which challenge old assumptions:

People: Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us!

Leader: When we want to live into your hope for unity, but fail to listen or to be patient when there is difference:

People: Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us!

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Take heart; God is still speaking, Jesus is still calling to us, the Holy Spirit is still working! God forgives us our failings, and continues to call us into a community of mutual love and forgiveness. Let us celebrate the grace of God as we worship together. Amen.

First Reading

Deuteronomy 6: 4-9

(Pew Bible Page 182; Large Print 258)

Communion (8:30 a.m.)

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

Rev. Drew Filkins

New Members (10:30 a.m.)

Amy Moore • Grimaldo Robles • Yvonne Robles

Statement 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.

Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Special Music

"Psalm 100"

Doug McConnell

Lydia Skrlec-Erickson, soprano

Second Reading

Mark 10: 46-52

(Pew Bible Page 1,014; Large Print 1,542)

Sermon

"Cheer Up! On Your Feet! He's Calling You"

Rev. Betsy Aho

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Hymn of Response

"Christ Be Beside Me"

No. 702

Thanksgiving and Dedication of Gifts

Offertory

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

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

God of great gifts, we give you these gifts today. As we have been abundantly provided for, so we give abundantly to the work that you give us to do, the work of the church, the care for those who need care the most, the proclamation of your love for all people. Accept these gifts in Jesus' name. Amen.

Release of Installed Pastor (10:30 a.m.)

Rev. Drew Filkins & Jodi Cook, Council of Elders

Leader: Do you, the members and friends of The Peoples Church of East Lansing, release the Rev. Betsy Aho as your pastor and teacher, recognizing that healthy separation is beneficial to The Peoples Church, to Pastor Betsy, and to the church universal?

All: We do, with thanks to God for grace and guidance in times transition.

Leader: Do you, Rev. Betsy Aho, recognize and accept the completion of your ministry as pastor and teacher at The Peoples Church of East Lansing, recognizing that healthy separation is beneficial to The Peoples Church, to the church you are called to serve next, to yourself and to the church universal?

Pastor Betsy: I do, with thanks to God for grace and guidance in times of transition.

Prayers of Thanksgiving & 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.

Sending Hymn

"Great God of Every Blessing"

No. 694

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

"Toccatina"

Carol Simone



Floral Dedication:

Given in celebration of the work Pastor Betsy has done here at The Peoples Church and .



Farewell Reception

for

Rev. Betsy Aho

Sunday, June 30

Following the 10:30 a.m.
worship service

Robertson Room

You're invited to a farewell reception, **TODAY**, following the 10:30 a.m. worship service, in the Robertson Room; refreshments will be served. Please join us, and bring only your company and appetite, as we wish Pastor Betsy well in her next call and share in the joyful times she has brought to The Peoples Church.

**NDie
SNDAY**

The Undie Sundays collection is happening now and will run through August 11. We are collecting NEW undershirts, underpants and socks for school-aged children which are donated to the clothes closet at Judson Memorial Baptist Church. The RED collection baskets will be at the Welcome Center this summer for collection. Email Ruth Worthington at worthin2@msu.edu with any questions.

Undies for Everyone



*Thank
you*

St. Vincents Refugee Services sends their gratitude and thanks for the generous gift card donations from our congregation. The monies will be used to purchase shoes for refugees who frequently arrive owning only flip-flops. The refugees are primarily from Africa with smaller numbers from Burma and Afganistan. One of the goals for the refugees is self sufficiency and employment. They work diligently on English as a second language. Anyone interested in volunteering as an ESL tutor is invited to contact Veronica or Judi at St. Vincents Refugee Services for more information.

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*thank
you*

**Rev. Aho for your 19 years of service
with The Peoples Church.**

**You have blessed us with your
faithfulness, enthusiasm and leadership
and we are a better church because
you were with us.**

**May God bless you with energy,
imagination and passion as you serve
Haslett Community Church.**

**Go with the love of God, the Creator, the
grace of God, the Son, the guidance of God,
the Holy Spirit, and the love of your family
of faith at The Peoples Church.**

Pastor Betsy is heading off on a new adventure in ministry. Design her a new stole and draw her in a new context. We will share these with Pastor Betsy at the Children's Moment.

