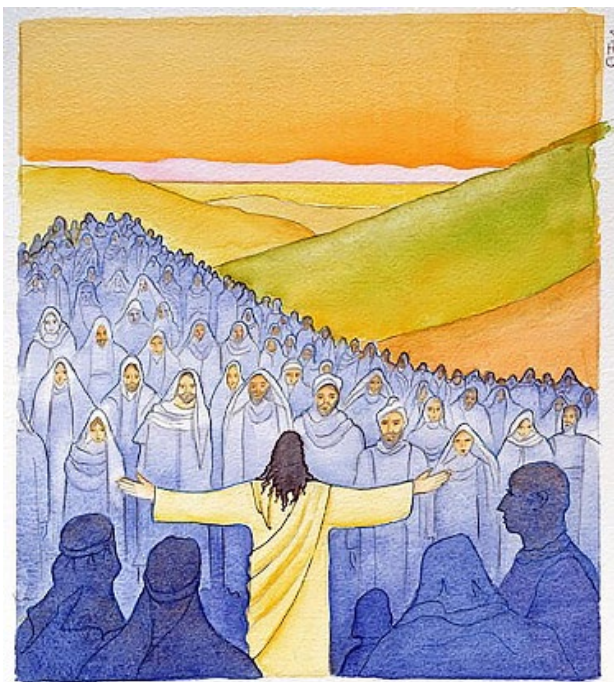


SUNDAY WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

"When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them...so he began teaching them many things"

Mark 6:34



SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m.

Worship Service, Chapel

9:30 a.m.

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

*** OFF THIS WEEK**

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

5:30 p.m.

Community Meal

6:00 p.m.

* Youth Choir Rehearsal
Children's Education

6:30 p.m.

Adult Formation Classes
Peoples Church Youth Group
Yoga Class

*** OFF THIS WEEK**



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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.

ASL Interpreted Service

The Peoples Church is pleased to welcome ASL interpreters for our 10:30 a.m. worship service and for special events.



MAKE A GIFT

Please note, we have a new link for online giving (below):

<https://onrealm.org/thepeopleschurch/Give>

See back page for more information on **REALM!**

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. Kathi Mitchell, 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 | SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

Today we welcome Rev. Dr. Jerry DeVine to our pulpit; He serves as the District Superintendent of the United Methodist Church for Central Michigan.

Prelude

Pastorale "The Faithful Shepherd"
Judy Kabodian, organ

G.F. Handel

Welcome to The Peoples Church!

Rev. Drew Filkins

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.

Call to Worship

Leader: Come and praise, you, servants of God! Praise the name of Yahweh!

People: May God's name be blessed both now and forever.

Leader: From east to west, from north to south, praise the name of Yahweh!

People: May God's name be blessed both now and forever.

Leader: Who can compare to our God? Seated high above the nations of the earth, God's glory fills the skies.

People: May God's name be blessed both now and forever.

Gathering Hymn

"O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!"

No. 41

Procession of the Light of Christ

Ida Filkins and Evie Laxton, Acolytes

Prayer of Confession

All: God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace.

Forgive us, God. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and baptize us once again with your Holy Spirit, so that, as forgiven and renewed people, we may reflect the love and life of Jesus Christ into our world.

Assurance of Pardon (inspired by Colossians 3:1)

Leader: Our God is a God of grace and mercy and love; know that our sins have been forgiven. May we be strengthened in all goodness. Since we have been raised with Christ, let us seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

People: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Congregational Response "We Come to You for Healing, Lord" (verse 1)

No. 796

**We come to you for healing, Lord, of body, mind, and soul,
and pray that by your Spirit's touch we may again be whole.**

First Reading

Psalm 113

(Pew Bible Page 607; Large Print 894)

Communion (8:30 a.m.)

Children's Moment (10:30 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.

Anthem (10:30 a.m.)

"Brother James' Air"

arr. Gordon Jacob

Sanctuary Choir, directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed

Second Reading

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

(Pew Bible Page 1,008; Large Print 1,532)

Sermon

"The Energy of Eagerness:
Embracing Change in the Midst of Hope"

Rev. Dr. Jerry DeVine

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Responsive Hymn

"There Is a Balm in Gilead"

No. 792

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.

Thanksgiving and Dedication of Gifts

Offertory (10:30 a.m.)

"I Feel the Spirit Moving"
Michaela Larsen, soprano

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

**Let us praise the name of the Lord! God is wonderful, yesterday, today and forever!
The Lord, our God, has done marvelous things; we are blessed more than we could
ever imagine. For all the amazing gifts we have been given, we praise the name of
the Lord and return a portion of them back to the work of your kingdom! Through
the name of Jesus we pray. Amen!**

Sending Hymn

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

No. 700

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

"Fanfare in D Major"

Antonio Soler



**Floral Dedication:
Given to the glory of God.**

SPECIAL CHILDREN'S OFFERING

During the month of September, the children of our congregation are holding a special drive to benefit Love Clothing Center of Judson Memorial Baptist Church in Lansing. They are collecting packages of NEW underwear for those in need in our community. During the Children's Moment in the 10:30 a.m. service, we welcome your child to bring their donation forward for collection. All sizes and styles are needed.

HARVEST FESTIVAL: OCTOBER 20!

Join us on **October 20**, following the 10:30 a.m. worship service, for our first annual Family Harvest Festival! There will be lots of food and fun activities for all ages! This event will take place in the Snider Social Hall and in the gym.

Volunteers are needed for this event! If you are interested in helping out with the festival, from set up, to manning an activity, or with clean up, contact Kathi Mitchell at kmitchell@thepeopleschurch.com.



PEOPLES FORUM



On **September 29**, The Peoples Forum will welcome Emily Guerrant, spokesperson for the MSU Board, at 9:30 a.m. in the Robertson Room. Join us!

BLOOM MAGAZINE: VOLUME 2 NOW OUT!

Grab a copy, or two, of the latest issue of our BLOOM Magazine and share them with friends and family who are curious about The Peoples Church. You can find them located at the Welcome Center, in Friendship Hall, and in the church office.



Join us in the Robertson Room at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays (following the community meal), for our month-long series on *Women of the Bible*. Kate Jones leads our discussion where we will learn and explore the stories of women throughout scripture.

REBEKAH/HANNAH CIRCLE

The Rebekah/Hannah Circle will meet on **September 25** at 1:00 p.m. in the Robertson Room. Andy Mayville will be our guest speaker and will present to us the "We Recycle To Save" program. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

RINGERS & SINGERS WANTED

Clarion Ringers (the adult bell choir) and the Sanctuary Choir are looking for new (adult) members to start immediately! Whether you want to make music with your hands or with your voice, we welcome you to be part of The Peoples Church Music Ministry! All you need is to be able to read music and make the practices. Practices for the bell choir are on Wednesday nights from 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Practices for Sanctuary choir are on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in helping to make joyful music and are college-age or older, please email Liz Reed at lizdreed@aol.com about becoming a member of the Clarion Ringers. Or, if you are interested in becoming a member of the Sanctuary Choir, email office@thepeopleschurch.com or just come to rehearsal.

KNITTING PEOPLE

The Knitting People will meet on **September 26** from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the Robertson Room. New knitters are invited to join and make baby items, prayer shawls, hats and mittens and more!

VISITATION TEAM

The Peoples Church Visitation Team is looking for volunteers. Our volunteers visit members of our church who are in retirement homes or who are still at home, but unable to attend church on a regular basis. Our mission is to help these members feel connected to the church. We ask visitors to make a contact at least once per month. If interested in being a volunteer, or if you know a member who would appreciate a visit, please contact Pat Brogan at 517.337.1446 or Gretchen Rosenbrook at 517.332.5132.

TPC 24/7: ANYTIME, ANYWHERE!

We are excited about the new things happening at The Peoples Church! We are growing in many ways, including our online community. *REALM*, our new updated online program, keeps us connected 24/7: Anytime, Anywhere!, and offers more ways for you to support the church and to stay informed! You'll be able to update personal info, search the church directory, give online, view giving history, and more. See the ad on the next page to learn how to get the app and watch the weekly bulletin and monthly *Portal* for more information.



This year our mission partner, Nyaka AIDS Orphans Project, is showing an exciting new documentary, *Victors*. This documentary showcases how our support in Uganda contributes to the building of a civil society through education and advocacy.

Studio C! is once again hosting this exciting event/fundraiser on **October 10**, at 6:30 p.m. The church has purchased a block of tickets for our members so that we can have a great show of support. Tickets are \$25 each. Call Barb Dunlap at 517.285.0824, or email her at bdunlap1953@gmail.com, to reserve your spot.

The creators of the documentary will be on hand to share their experience. Plan to join us for this fundraising event and help support the grandmothers and children of Uganda, while enjoying a movie! Popcorn and drinks are included!

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Stay connected to our church wherever you go by downloading the [free Connect - Our Church Community app](#) for iPhone and Android devices. Use it to communicate with your groups, RSVP to events, manage your giving, update profile information, and more.

Download the app using these links:

iPhone: search for "Realm Connect" in the app store

Android: search for "Connect Our Church" in the Google Play store

Stay tuned for more details to come!



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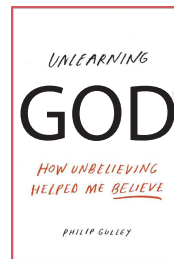
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Unlearning God: How Unbelieving Helped Me Believe



Featuring Philip Gulley
Quaker Pastor, Author and Speaker

You're invited to read his book, *Unlearning God: How Unbelieving Helped Me Believe*, in preparation for this event.



Books will also be for sale during this event.