

SUNDAY WORSHIP JANUARY 3, 2016



PRAISE THE LORD,
my soul

+ PSALM 103 +



THE PEOPLES CHURCH

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SUNDAY MORNING

8:30 a.m.

Worship Service, Chapel

9:30 a.m.

- *Adult Sunday School
- *Carol Choir Rehearsal
- Confirmation Class
- *PCYG Open Hang Out
- *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

6:30 p.m.

- *Adult Formation
- *Holy Moly | Children's Education
- *Peoples Church Youth Group
- *Yoga Class

**WNL! returns Jan. 13*

CHURCH OFFICE

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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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SHARE

HELP SERVE COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP

We all love our morning coffee, juice, tea and maybe a snack or two when we join in fellowship at church. Maybe you've thought about helping out by serving, brewing, baking or cleaning up? Now is a great time to start! Serving others during our Sunday morning fellowship time is fun, easy to learn and allows you to meet, greet and even eat while serving! Sign during fellowship time or contact Jane Ledebuhr at jledebuhr@yahoo.com or Ann Lindley at alindley@msu.edu. We are happy to provide training!

MEMORIAL DEDICATIONS FOR SUNDAY FLOWERS



Sunday Floral Dedications offer members weekly opportunities to celebrate and remember loved ones. Dedications may be reserved with a memorial gift of \$85 to benefit the Sanctuary Fund. Reserve a Sunday using the notebook at the Welcome Center or contact the Church Office at 517-332-5073.



**MAKE A
GIFT
ONLINE**

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.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude "Praise Be to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ" Helmut Walcha

Welcome to The Peoples Church! Rev. Andrew Pomerville

Call to Worship

Leader: Healing God, we come together in our brokenness,
 to call to you in your mercy, to make us whole again.

People: Christ who brings wholeness, hear to our prayers.

Leader: Restoring God, we gather to worship you,
 even as we seek to be renewed and restored again.

People: Christ who restores, listen to our prayers this day.

Leader: Foundational God, we come to praise and thank you!
 In the depths of your holy being, we find peace and rest.

People: Christ the beginning and the end, we hope always in you. Amen.

Gathering Hymn "For the Healing of the Nations" No. 346
(Please stand if able.)

Prayer of Confession

Gracious and merciful God, we confess to you and to one another that time after time we have entered your presence with countless prayers but with hearts that are closed to your grace. We have lifted our hands in praise, while our feet still walk in the ways of doubt. We have rehearsed your commandments but refuse to see your face in the needs of our neighbors. We pray, Lord, that you forgive our lack of faith and pardon our acts of injustice. Grant us the healing that comes from Jesus Christ, whom we know through his presence, his word, and his actions. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The God who challenges us is also the God who encourages us.
The God who confronts us is also the God who accepts us.
Be assured that God is with us even now, accepting, guiding
and forgiving.

People: Thanks be to God.

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 103:1-5

(Pew Bible Page 467, Large Print Page 667)

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.

New Testament Reading

Mark 1:21-45

(Pew Bible Page 1,027, Large Print Page 1,561)

Sermon

"Wholeness and Healing"

Betsy Aho



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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.

Celebration of Holy Communion

Communion Hymn

"For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

No. 516

Thanksgiving and Dedication of Gifts

Offertory

"Austrian Shepherd's Carol"

arr. Dale Wood

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

Prince of Peace, who meets us where we are to heal us and restore us, we are thankful for your life and love. It is with gladness that we offer these gifts to church and to your mission, that more might experience the renewal and compassion that comes from knowing you. Amen.

Sending Hymn "God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me" **No. 543**

Benediction *(Please stand if able.)*

Benediction Response "Go Tell it on the Mountain" (Refrain) **No. 136**

***Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!***

Postlude "Praise Ye Lord of Hosts" Camille Saint-Saens

**PEOPLES 101: WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PEOPLES CHURCH?
JOIN US FOR OUR MONTHLY Q&A SESSION IN THE ROBERTSON ROOM
FOLLOWING THE 10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE.**

Today's Floral Offering

Given by Mary Culham in memory of Joan Culham, who died Jan. 4, 2010.

2016 HEARTS ON FIRE CHILI COOK-OFF & EMPTY BOWLS FUNDRAISER



Sunday, February 7
Snider Social Hall

Following the 10:30 a.m. worship service

Members of the Greater Lansing Pottery Guild have generously donated some of their best bowls! Proceeds from the event will benefit those in need in our community.

We'll have a friendly tasting competition, complete with prizes and lots of fun to warm us all on a February afternoon! We are still looking for chili chefs, tasters and diners. The chili cook-off is an event not to be missed!

SIGN UP | *Return forms to Offertory Plate on Sunday or the Church Office during the week.*

COUNT ME IN FOR THE ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF!

YES! I will bring a pot of my favorite chili to share.

I can help set up (10 - 11:30 a.m.)

I can help clean up (12:30 - 2 p.m.)

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____