



ORDER OF WORSHIP | MAY 14, 2017

Prelude "How Deep the Father's Love for Us" Stuart Townend
Dr. Ivette Herryman-Rodriguez, guest pianist

Choral Introit "Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!" No. 239
(10:30 a.m.) *Sanctuary Choir directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed*

Welcome to The Peoples Church! Rev. Andrew Pomerville

Minute for Mission *One Great Hour of Sharing*
Loretta Johnston

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, let us celebrate the wondrous gifts
that God shares with us.

**People: Throughout all our lives,
God blesses us with love and hope.**

Leader: Praise be to God who provides for us.

**People: May our hearts be truly grateful,
and may we show our gratitude
by the ways in which we live and care for others.**

Leader: Hallelujah!

People: Amen.

Gathering Hymn "We Gather Together" No. 336
(Please stand if able.)

Prayer of Confession

**Lord, help us recognize the difference between satisfaction
and smugness, contentment and comfort. May our expres-
sions of gratitude never deafen us to the cries of those in
need; and in celebrating your love may we never forget that
you reach others through us. Amen.**

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.*

SUNDAY WORSHIP

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

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

5:30 p.m. - Dinner
6:15 p.m. - Worship
Begins June 7



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First Reading

Amos 9:11-15

(Pew Bible Page 922; Large Print 1,401)

Celebration of Holy Communion (8:30 a.m.)

Anthem (10:30 a.m.)

“Cool Under Fire”

Carol Choir directed by Elizabeth Reed

Children’s Moment (10:30 a.m.)

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.

Passing the Peace of Christ *(Please stand if able.)*

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Second Reading

Acts 15:1-18

(Pew Bible Page 1.108; Large Print 1,681)

Hymn of Hope

“Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory”

No. 354

Sermon

“Conflict in the Church ... Good Times”

Rev. Andrew Pomerville

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Thanksgiving and Dedication of Gifts

Offertory

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

John Rutter

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

Loving God, all the ends of the earth marvel at your deeds of power; we feel your presence as growth returns to the world around us and we rejoice as we remember your faithfulness and steadfast love revealed in the risen Christ. Surround us with that love. Fill us with generosity and courage so that we may be called your friends and go forth to befriend your world, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Sending Hymn

(Please stand if able.)

"Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

No. 248

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

"Shout to the North"

Martin Smith

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



- I WILL BE A TUTOR** | 4:15 - 5:30 p.m. Mon. Tues. Wed. Thur.
- I WILL HELP AS A RECEPTIONIST** | 6 - 8 p.m. Mon. Tues. Wed. Thur.
- I WILL HELP GARDEN** | 5 - 8 p.m. May 24 June 28 July 26
 Aug. 23 Sept. 27 Oct. 25

Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

NATURE THROUGH CURIOUS EYES' NEW FINE ARTS DISPLAY

The Fine Arts Committee invites you to view and enjoy a new exhibit, "Nature Through Curious Eyes," in the Northwest Hallway of the church featuring the creative talents of 11-year old twins Louis and Max Boyang from Okemos. We are very excited to showcase the talents of these two young artists for you to enjoy. This exhibit only runs through May 18 so don't miss it!



VBS NEEDS YOUR EMPTY CONTAINERS

"Hero Central" is looking for clean plastic containers of all shapes and sizes, from gallon milk jugs on down for our Craft Headquarters. If you have some items to share, drop them off at the church office. Children who have completed Kindergarten through the fifth grade can register for our 2017 VBS program June 19-23 at Woldumar Nature Center. Cost for the week is \$25 (pre- and post-camp care is available). Questions? Contact Julie Bills.

PARENTS AND KIDS GROUP | MAY 21

Our next meeting will be Sunday, May 21 immediately after the 10:30 a.m. worship service. If the weather is nice, we will play outside. Please dress accordingly. Questions? Contact Margaret at mtassarog@gmail.com.

REBEKAH/ HANNAH CIRCLE | MAY 24

The Rebekah/Hannah Circle of the Women of Peoples Church will meet on May 24 in the Robertson Room. Join us as Barbara Houghtaling tells us about her three months abroad. Questions? Contact Joan at 517-349-1074 or Gretchen at 517-322-5132.

DORCAS CIRCLE | MAY 16

The Dorcas Circle of the Women of Peoples Church will meet at 6 p.m. on May 16 in the Robertson Room for a potluck dinner and silent auction. Questions? Contact Phyllis Gaulden at 517-482-0930.

TUTORS NEEDED

Edgewood Village is looking for volunteers, Monday-Thursday, 4:15 to 5:30 p.m., to provide homework help and computer lab assistance to K-8 students through the end of the school year. Questions? Contact Mimi Burpee at 517-349-0806 or mimburpee@gmail.com.

DESK RECEPTIONISTS

Desk receptionist volunteers are needed at the Edgewood Village Network Center from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday. Help once a month or more depending on your availability. Questions? Contact Cheryl Leece at leecem44@gmail.com or 517-410-1313.

MOMENT FOR MEMORIAL | MAY 21

Join Pastor Drew as he leads a brief Moment for Memorial in the Memorial Garden following the 10:30 a.m. worship service on May 21. The service will include prayers, readings and bagpipes as we honor and remember those we have lost and support one another.

SUMMER SUBSTITUTES/CAREGIVERS

The Peoples Church Preschool is in need of summer substitute teachers and caregivers (must be 18 years of age). Interested? Contact the Preschool at preschool@thepeopleschurch.com or 517-332-2885.