



## ORDER OF WORSHIP | JULY 9, 2017

**Prelude** "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty" arr. Jan Bender  
*Judy Kabodian, Organist*

**Welcome to The Peoples Church!** Rev. Andrew Pomerville

### Call to Worship

*(Written by an unknown hymn writer from the 3rd-6th Century, based on Psalm 150)*

Leader: May none of God's wonderful works keep silent, night or morning.

**People: Bright stars, high mountains, the depths of the seas, sources of rushing rivers; may all these break into song as we sing to Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Leader: May all the angels in the heavens reply  
Amen! Amen! Amen!

**People: Power, praise, honor, eternal glory to God, the only giver of grace.**

Leader: Amen!

People: **Amen!**

Leader: Amen!

**Gathering Hymn** "Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show" No. 33  
*(Please stand if able.)*

**Prayer of Confession** (Inspired by John 4)

**People: God of living water, we confess the dryness of our lives.**

Leader: the brittle words we have thought and spoken...  
the relationships that are crumbling... *(continued)*

### 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.

### 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  
6:30 p.m. - Yoga



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Leader: the arid perspective that centers on self...  
the cracked and jagged edges of our world...

**People: Hear our confession, O Christ, and rain down your mercy upon us.**

Leader: Through Jesus Christ, the giver of living waters, we pray. Amen.

**Congregational Response** "Spirit of the Living God"

**No. 288**

***Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me (2x)***  
***Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.***  
***Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.***

**First Reading**

John 4: 24-30

(Pew Bible Page 1,066 Large Print 1,619)

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

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

*Children are invited to participate in "Deep Blue" Summer Sunday School at this time.*

*You may pick up your child in the McCune Chapel following the worship service.*

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

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

**Solo**

"I Will Sing New Songs of Gladness"

Antonin Dvorak

Anne Today, mezzo-soprano

**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.**

**Second Reading**

Psalm 150

(Pew Bible Page 627; Large Print 930)

**Sermon**

"I Read the Ending Before Finishing the Book"

Rev. Andrew Pomerville

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## ***Thanksgiving and Dedication of Gifts***

**Offertory**                    "All Glory Be to God on High"

arr. Paul Manz

### ***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***

**It is in thanksgiving for your actions and in craving your continued presence that we praise. What we offer, you already know and have already heard. Grant us trust in this great truth: you are with us even now. Amen.**

**Hymn**                        "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"  
*(Please stand if able.)*

**No. 35**

### ***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**                    "Praise the Lord With Drums and Cymbals"

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

*Pastor Andrew and family will be out of town and unavailable from July 11 - 28.*

***Today's Floral Offering  
Given to the glory of God.***

### CONFIRMATION CLASS: REGISTRATION

If there is a student in your family entering 8th or 9th grade who has not yet participated in Confirmation Class, please contact Pastor Drew. He can answer your questions and get your student signed up for the class starting this fall. Reach Pastor Drew at 908-4448 or [dfilkins@thepeopleschurch.com](mailto:dfilkins@thepeopleschurch.com).

### 'UNDIE SUNDAYS' ARE HERE!

Each year our congregation collects new underwear, undershirts and socks for school-age children for Judson Memorial Baptist Church to distribute to low-income families through their clothes closet. We will collect until August 6. Donations may be placed in the red "Kids Stuff" basket near the Welcome Center.

### CHURCH DIRECTORY: UPDATE

If you had your photograph taken this spring for the new church directory, your complimentary picture is available for pick-up in the church office. New directories, one per household, will be available very soon for pick-up. We will be sure to let you know when they arrive! If you're traveling for the summer you can pick up your copy in the fall.

### MONDAY MORNING BIBLE: WISDOM

Join Pastor Drew as he guides our weekly Monday Morning Bible Study through "The Wisdom Literature" of the Hebrew Scriptures. We will explore Proverbs through July 31, Ecclesiastes from July 24 to Aug. 7, Job on Aug. 14 and the Song of Solomon on Aug. 21. Monday Morning Bible gathers each Monday at 11 a.m. in the Robertson Room. All are welcome.

### NEW MEMBERS CLASS: WELCOME!

Have you thought about joining The Peoples Church? Come to our next New Members Classes for more information. You have your choice of Wednesday, 7/12 at 5:30 p.m. in the Robertson Room or Sunday, 7/16 at 11:30 a.m. in the Centennial Room on the lower level. Classes last about 90 minutes. Please call the church office at 517-332-5073 to register and request child care if needed. Contact Robin at [matheso4@msu.edu](mailto:matheso4@msu.edu) or 517-290-3223 with questions.

### ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION!

We are thrilled to announce that Rev. Betsy Aho has accepted the call as Associate Pastor at The Peoples Church!

**Her service of Ordination and Installation will be Sunday, August 27, 2017 at 10:30 a.m.** at The Peoples Church with a reception to follow. The morning will be a joyful service of worship and a time for the congregation to celebrate all that God is doing here. Please plan to join us for this occasion!

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