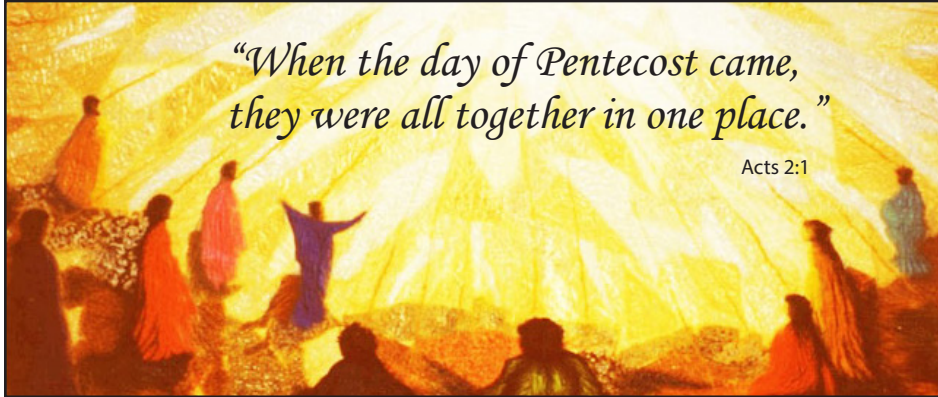


*“When the day of Pentecost came,
they were all together in one place.”*

Acts 2:1



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 | JUNE 9, 2019

Prelude

“We Pray Now to the Holy Spirit”
Judy Kabodian, organ

Dietrich Buxtehude

Welcome to The Peoples Church!

Rev. Case Van Kempen

Call to Worship

Leader: The Spirit is here among us;

People: within us, around us, between us.

Leader: The Spirit is here to strengthen us;

People: bringing courage, bringing conviction.

Leader: The Spirit is here to move us;

People: making us sing and praise.

Leader: The Spirit is here.

All: May we feel the Spirit as we gather. May we be fed by her fiery strength. May we be emboldened by her powerful wind. May the Spirit of God fill our worship!

Gathering Hymn

“Come Down, O Love Divine”

No. 282

Procession of the Light of Christ

Call to Confession

Leader: When we don't know how or what to pray, the Spirit knows. When all we can muster are sighs and groans, the Spirit knows those also. When we feel that we aren't even worthy to approach God, the Spirit goes before us and with us, and God welcomes us with arms open. Let us confess our sins together.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30 a.m. - Chapel

10:30 a.m. - Sanctuary

10:30 a.m. - Sunday School



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Prayer of Confession

All: We ask for your forgiveness, Lord, when we forget the power that lies within, and trust instead upon our human strength. Remind us of that glorious day when your Spirit transformed the lives of those who hid in fear, into people of power. Renew these hearts which have grown cold with flames of fire, as on that Pentecost, that this might be the church that you desire.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God has promised to send us the Spirit, that we might know fully God's presence in the world and in our lives. Know that the Spirit of forgiveness and understanding flows over us this day and always.

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

Congregational Response "You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy" No. 437
You are the Lord, giver of mercy! You are the Christ, giver of mercy!
You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

First Reading Ezekiel 37:1-10
(Pew Bible Page 865; Large Print 1,315)

Communion (8:30 a.m.)

Sacrament of Baptism Aidan Nathaniel Copple Rev. Drew Filkins
Born August 11, 2016

Statement of Faith **We believe in 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.**

Baptismal Hymn "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" No. 475

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

Passing the Peace of Christ
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Solo "The Gift of Love" Hal Hopson
Joe Kennedy, bass

Second Reading Acts 2:1-21
(Pew Bible Page 1,091; Large Print 1,657)

Sermon

“Unorthodox Signs”

Rev. Case Van Kempen

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Hymn of Response

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

No. 286

Prayers of the People

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

“How Great Thou Art”

arr. Craig Courtney

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

For all you have given, for all we have received, we give you thanks. We bring before you our gifts of substance and the gift of our lives. We bring our passion and joy and surprise, our visions and dreams. May they refresh and enliven our church and community, as the wind of your Spirit did long ago. Amen.

Sending Hymn

“Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

No. 744

Benediction

Congregational response: **“Jesus is Lord!”**

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

“Jig Fugue”

Dietrich Buxtehude



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

RECEPTION FOR PASTOR BETSY

On **June 30**, Pastor Betsy will give her last sermon here at The Peoples Church. You're invited to a farewell reception, following the 10:30 a.m. worship service, in the Robertson Room. Please join us as we wish Pastor Betsy well in her next call and share in the joyful times she has brought to The Peoples Church.

COLLECTION FOR REFUGEE SERVICES

The Community Engagement Committee is collecting gift cards for Meijer and Target for the St. Vincent Refugee Services. Collection Sundays will be **June 9 and 16** and should be given to the committee representative at the Northwest entrance. Cards may also be left in the church office. Contact Ruth Worthington at worthin2@msu.edu with any questions.



The Undie Sundays collection begins **June 16** 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. Contact Ruth Worthington at worthin2@msu.edu with any questions.



VBS: TO MARS & BEYOND!

Registration for this year's Vacation Bible School is going on now! Go to ThePeoplesChurch.com to register!



YOU'RE INVITED

to an **OUT-OF-THIS-WORLD PICNIC**
celebrating the faith and fun of this year's
Vacation Bible School experience!

WHEN: Sunday, June 23, 2019
following the 10:30 a.m.
service

WHERE: TPC Rotunda/Friendship Hall

3...2...1...BLAST OFF!
See you there!

PCYG UPDATE

The Peoples Church Youth Group is getting ready for their upcoming mission trip to Philadelphia, July 13-19, 2019. Students will work alongside Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Philadelphia, learn about urban farming and witness the realities of urban poverty.

WEDNESDAY EVENING YOGA

Don't forget! Each Wednesday evening throughout the summer, there will be a yoga class here at The Peoples Church that meets in the Robertson Room at 6:30 p.m.