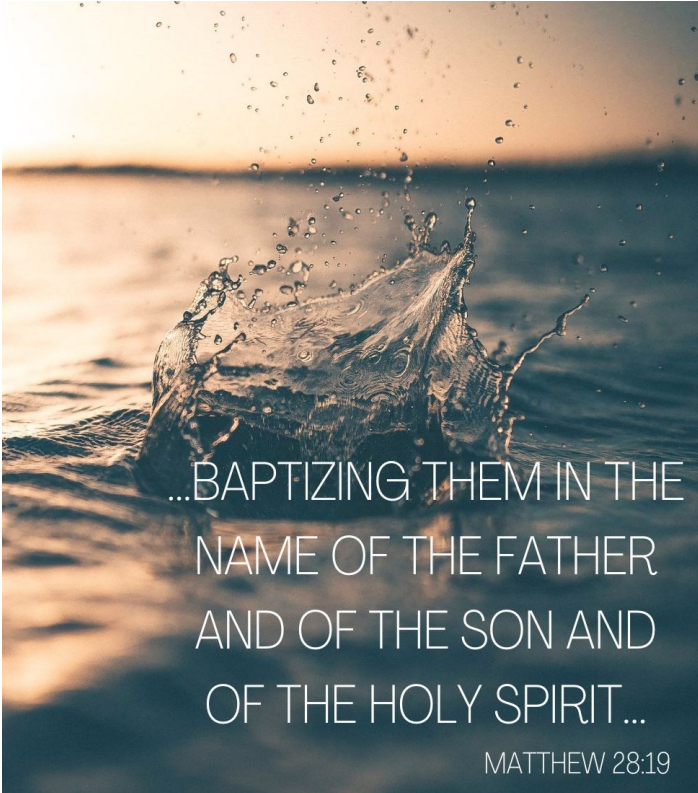


# Sanctuary Service

## June 4, 2023



## THE PEOPLES CHURCH

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### Sunday (Summer) Schedule

Sanctuary Service: 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary & Livestreamed on YouTube.

Sunday school begins after the Children's Moment.

Nursery Care is provided for Children Under 3.

A Nursing Room is available for those who need it. Ask an usher or the Welcome Desk for directions.

### W@PC

Wednesdays @ Peoples Church is a weekly community dinner followed by programming. Join us at 5:30 p.m. in the Social Hall!

### ASL Interpreted Service

The Peoples Church is proud to welcome ASL interpreters for our Sunday worship service and for special events.

### Sensory Tool Kit

A Sensory Tool Kit is reserved for individuals who get overstimulated during church services and need something to help calm the nervous system. The kit can be borrowed at the Welcome desk.

## THE PEOPLES CHURCH STAFF

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**Rev. Penny Swartz, Minister Emeritus**

### COUNCIL OF ELDERS

Elders meet at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Robertson Room. Diane Shafer, Chair (elders@thepeopleschurch.com).

## 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.

## JOIN US REMOTELY!

To join the online livestream of the worship service, you can find **The Peoples Church of East Lansing on YouTube!**

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# Order of Service | June 4, 2023

## Trinity Sunday

*Please take this opportunity to fill out the black attendance pad found at the end of your pew.*

### **Prelude**

Fugue in C Minor  
Judy Kabodian, Organist

J.S. Bach

### **Welcome**

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

### **\*Call to Worship**

One Let us gather together and worship our God,  
In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.

**All God has poured out the Spirit on all people.  
We will sing songs of praise!**

One Let us seek God's presence and find our purpose,  
In the name of the Creator, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit.

**All God has given us the gift of true community.  
We bring all that we are before God's presence!**

One Let us embrace the mystery of the Triune God!

**All We will worship and praise the Lord!**

### **\*Gathering Hymn**

God Is Here! (v. 1-3)

no. 409

*God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.*

*Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace; here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place. Here, in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech, here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.*

*Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold; here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old. Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.*

God Is Here!

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1979

Music: Cyril Vincent Taylor, 1941

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## ***Prayer of Confession***

Amazing God, the more we learn of your creation, the more we are filled with awe and wonder. Yet our vision narrows to our limited concerns and we forget that you are not just with us, but with all. We confess we have not been good stewards of your world. We have not loved all your children as sisters and brothers. Our doubts often outweigh our obedience. O God, help us to fulfill our baptism and claim our role as your disciples. Help us believe we are forgiven and teach us to be forgiving. We pray all this in Christ's name. Amen.

## ***Moment of Silent Reflection***

### ***Assurance of Pardon***

#### ***\*Confession Response***

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

no. 286

**Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.**

### ***Passing the Peace of Christ***

The peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

### ***The Sacrament of Baptism***

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

Caroline Grace Brunette

#### **Pastor (to the Congregation):**

Do we, the members of the church of Jesus Christ present here at The Peoples Church, promise to be Caroline's family of faith, now and always, offering whatever she might need to better serve and follow our Lord and Savior? And do we promise to encourage her to walk humbly with her Lord all the days of her life?

**Congregation: By God's grace, we do.**

**Pastor:** Brothers and sisters, we now celebrate the gift of grace in the Sacrament of Baptism.

**Congregation: There is one body and one spirit. There is one hope in God's call to us. There is one Lord, one faith, and one baptism, one God, creator of us all.**

**Pastor:** Caroline, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, One God, Mother of us all. Amen.

**Congregation: We thank you, God, for Caroline! Bless her and keep her, now and forever. Amen.**

**Solo**

Let Us Love One Another  
Melanie Walker, soprano

Andrew B. Sherman

**Scripture Reading**

Matthew 28:16-20

**Sermon**

“The Economic and the Immanent”

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

**Hymn of Response**

In Christ Called to Baptize (v. 1-4)

no. 297

*In Christ called to baptize, we witness in grace and gather a people from each land and race. In deep, flowing waters, we share in Christ’s death, then, rising to new life, give thanks with each breath.*

*In Christ called to banquet, one table we share, a haven of welcome, a circle of care. Although we are many, we share in one bread. One cup of thanksgiving proclaims Christ, our head.*

*In Christ called to witness, by grace we will preach the life-giving gospel; God’s love we will teach. By grace may our living give proof to our praise in costly compassion reflecting Christ’s ways.*

*Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love, for you are within us, around us, above. Equip us for service with gifts you bestow. In Christ is our calling. In Christ may we grow.*

In Christ Called to Baptize

Text: Ruth Duck, 1995

Music: Welsh folk Melody; adpt. in *Caniadu y Cyssegr*, 1839

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**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer**

**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.**

**Invitation to Give**

**Offertory**



*To make a gift online, please scan the QR code.*

**\*Act of Praise**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## ***Prayer of Dedication***

**Holy One, in the midst of uncertainty, we dedicate this offering to your work through this church. Bless our giving and the ministry it supports. May our words and our actions bring peace, hope and healing to a world in need. Through your Spirit, we pray. Amen.**

## ***Service of Communion***

*Invitation*

*Prayer of Institution*

*Sharing of the Bread and Cup*

## ***Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving***

**Loving God, we thank you for the gift of this moment. Through this shared meal, we, who are many, have become one body. May the peace and hope you have shared in this sacrament linger in our hearts. Amen.**

## ***\*Sending Hymn***

We All Are One in Mission (v. 1-3)

no. 733

*We all are one in mission; we all are one in call, our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all. A single, great commission compels us from above to plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.*

*We all are called for service to witness in God's name. Our ministries are different; our purpose is the same: to touch the lives of others by God's surprising grace, so every folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.*

*Now let us be united and let our song be heard. Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming word. We all are one in mission; we all are one in call, our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.*

## ***\*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***

Sonata II: Allegro Maestoso  
Judy Kabodian, Organist

Felix Mendelssohn

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SUMMER WORSHIP:** Our summer worship services have begun! Through the summer there will only be one service at **9:30 a.m.**

**COUNCIL OF ELDERS:** The Peoples Church is looking for members who would like to serve as an elder or a member of the Nominations Committee:

**Council of Elders (Three-year term):** The Elder Council is responsible for the spiritual, physical, and overall welfare of the church. The council is comprised of 15 members, the clerk, and the treasurer, all of which are elected from active members of the church at the annual Fall Election Meeting. In addition, there is one representative selected from each denomination. The typical meeting schedule of the council includes a ministry meeting on the second or third Tuesday of each month, and the elders' meeting on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Elders are elected to serve a three-year term and can serve two terms consecutively. New members take office January 1.

**Nomination Committee:** The Nomination Committee is comprised of eight members and typically meets annually in August to recruit and select candidates for the Elder Council and the Nomination Committee slate for the congregation to vote on during the Fall Election Meeting. Members are selected to serve two-year terms, and must take a year off before serving again on the committee.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Volunteers are needed to plan and design the remodel of the women's bathroom next to the welcome desk. The Building and Grounds committee would like a plan submitted soon so the work can begin. If you are interested in participating in this discussion, please contact Cheryl Leece by calling (517) 410-1313.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** It's time to register for VBS! This year our Vacation Bible School will be at the church, **9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., June 19-23.** We are planning a super fun week with half day VBS, half day summer camp. Our campers will enjoy a trip to the zoo, a Grand Finale production, and more!



As always, we can't do VBS without your help! We need adult volunteers to be field trip chaperones and station leaders (science, crafts, mission, games) and teenagers to be crew leaders. Please call (989) 318-3293, or email [vbs@thepeopleschurch.com](mailto:vbs@thepeopleschurch.com) for more information. Scan the QR code to register your children. Cost is \$75.

**UNDIE SUNDAYS:** Undie Sundays are returning, collection begins **June 11 and ends August 13.** Community Engagement will be collecting NEW underwear (underpants, socks, & tees) children, K-12. Look for the red kids stuff basket at the Welcome Desk to leave donations, or they may be dropped off in TPC office. All items will be delivered to the LOVE Clothing Closet at Judson Memorial Baptist Church. Questions? Contact Ruth Worthington by emailing [worthin2@msu.edu](mailto:worthin2@msu.edu).

## **PROGRAMMING AT THE PEOPLES CHURCH**

**ACHE:** Adults Connecting and Having Events is a young adult group that meets twice a month. To keep up with events, follow us on Instagram @ache\_thepeopleschurch, or contact Pastor Haley by emailing hhansen@thepeopleschurch.com.

**ENGAGING THE WORD:** Pastor Haley leads the in-person study group on **Mondays from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Robertson Room**, and Pastor Shawnthea leads the **Wednesday Zoom session from 9 to 10 a.m.** The Zoom link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88178100531>. The text for this week is Matthew 9:9-13.

**PEOPLES CHURCH YOUTH GROUP:** PCYG will NOT be meeting this evening. The PCYG Family Picnic will NOT take place after the service today; it has been moved to **Sunday, June 25 following the 9:30 a.m. service.**

**PUB THEOLOGY:** We meet on the **second Thursday each month, 6:30 p.m. at Crunchy's** to engage in conversation about faith, life, and what is happening in the world. [Join us this Thursday, June 8!](#)

**TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP:** The Tuesday Morning Men's Group is currently reading 'Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents' by Isabel Wilkerson. We continue to meet at **7:30 a.m. on Tuesdays in the Robertson Room.**

**WEDNESDAYS @ PEOPLES CHURCH:** A community dinner is hosted **every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Social Hall.** At **6:30**, Shawnthea Monroe teaches dance aerobics in the gym. All are welcome! (Faith & the News Bible study will not meet through the summer.)

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