SUNDAY WORSHIP OCTOBER 27, 2019



"God, have mercy on me, a sinner."

THE PEOPLES CHURCH

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m. Worship Service, Chapel

9:30 a.m.

Carol Choir Rehearsal Confirmation Class PCYG Bible Exploration 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

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

5:30 p.m. Community Meal

6:00 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal Children's Education

6:30 p.m.

Adult Formation Classes Peoples Church Youth Group Yoga Class

THE PEOPLES CHURCH STAFF Office hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Sunday mornings.		
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COUNCIL OF ELDERS Elders meet at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Robertson Room.		

Jodi Cook, Chairperson 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.

ASL Interpreted Service

The Peoples Church is pleased to welcome ASL interpreters for our 10:30 a.m. worship service and for special events.



MAKE A GIFT

Please note, we have a new link for online giving (below):

https://onrealm.org/thepeopleschurch/Give

See back page for more information on *REALM*!



Children through 5th grade are invited to participate in Sunday School following the Children's Moment during service. Please be sure to check-in your child at one of the kiosks located in Friendship Hall, prior to worship service, to receive a name tag for your child. Kathi Mitchell, Children's Christian Education Director, will lead the children to the classrooms on the third floor for Sunday School. At the conclusion of worship, you may pick up your child on the third floor; please show the security code you received at check-in to the teacher.

ORDER OF WORSHIP | OCTOBER 27, 2019

Prelude	"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Judy Kabodian, organ	arr. David N. Johnson
Introit (10:30 a.m.)	"We Come With Joy" Carol Choir, directed by Elizabeth Reed	John Erickson

Welcome to The Peoples Church!

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

Worship is both personal and communal, formal and informal, intimate and casual. Here at The Peoples Church, we recognize that people come to worship God in both joy and pain, faith and doubt, with laughter and with tears. Our worship tries to reflect a desire both for meditation and celebration. Please know you are invited to participate in any and all ways you feel led. Our songs, prayers, words and actions are the works of imperfect people trying to worship a perfect God.

Call to Worship

Leader:	This is God's house, a holy temple.
	Let all God's children enter with shouts of joy!
People:	Wherever we are gathered, in numbers great or small,
	We are the Body of Christ in this place and time.
Leader:	Christ is the source of our hope and our salvation!
	Christ makes us whole and makes us one.
People:	We will sing praises to God, who welcomes us home.
	We will sing praises to God, who protects and defends us.
Leader:	Let all God's children praise the Lord!
People:	Let every voice rejoice and sing!

Gathering Hymn	"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"	No. 275
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Procession of the Light of Christ

Jack Fickies and Javier Robles, Acolytes

Prayer of Confession

All: Holy One, trusting in your mercy, we confess our sins before You. We acknowledge the wrongs we commit against our neighbors: the remarks that diminish, the actions that exclude, the subtle distinctions that separate "us" from "them." We have wandered into paths of self-righteousness and self-congratulation. We judge the behavior of others and make excuses for ourselves. Forgive our sins and all the ways we have tried to distance ourselves from You. Remind us again that our salvation is an unearned gift given through Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Time of Silence and Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

Leader:	Hear the Good News: Christ delivers those who are truly sorry and repent of their sins.		
People: Leader: People:	Those who put	r salvation delivers us in remarkable ways. their trust in God will not be disappointed. re forgiven and we know we are loved. Amen.	
Congregatie	We come to y	"We Come to You for Healing, Lord" (verse 1) ou for healing, Lord, of body, mind, and soul, by your Spirit's touch we may again be whole.	No. 796
First Readin	g	Psalm 65 (Pew Bible Page 573; Large Print 836)	
Communior	1 (8:30 a.m.)		
Anthem (10:3	30 a.m.)	"The Lord is My Shepherd" Carol Choir, directed by Elizabeth Reed	arr. L. Pfautsch
Children's N	loment (10:30 a.m	.)	
-		(Please stand if able) us Christ be with you. And also with you.	
Solo (8:30 a.m	ı.)	"Thanks Be To Thee" Michaela Larsen, soprano	Siegfried Ochs
Reading fro	m the Gospel	Luke 18:9-14 (Pew Bible Page 1,051; Large Print 1,597)	
Sermon		"Sola Fide"	Dr. Monroe
Hymn of Res	sponse	"To Bless the Earth"	No. 38

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.

Recognition of Staff

Cal Kerr

Dana Johnson	•	Dee Przybylski	
25 years		10 years	

Offertory (10:30 a.m.)

"When In Our Music God Is Glorified" Sanctuary Choir, directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed arr. Austin C. Lovelace

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

Giver of Life, receive this offering and all we have offered you this day. Let the Spirit you bestow on your church continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe. We ask this in the name of our savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sending Hymn	"The Church's One Foundation"	No. 321
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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

"A Mighty Fortress"

arr. Helmut Walcha



SEEDLING RECEPTIONS

Join us, **TODAY**, from noon - 1:30 p.m. in the Robertson Room to hear from Dr. Monroe and the Council of Elders as they share their visions of what God has in store for The Peoples Church, and how we can plant seeds, nurture growth, and BLOOM!

If you can't make today's reception, please join us at the next one on October 29 from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

PARIS TO PITTSBURGH SCREENING

On **November 3**, the Earth Stewardship Committee will be hosting a community conversation centered around climate change action and featuring a free screening of the film, *Paris to Pittsburgh* and a moderated discussion afterward. Join us at 7:00 p.m. in the Robertson Room.

CHANGE IN DATE: FAMILY GAME NIGHT

The date for Family Game Night has changed and will now be held on **November 23**, here, at The Peoples Church! Everyone is welcome to participate; bring your favorite board games, card games, etc., and come enjoy fellowship, fun, and food!



On **November 3**, The Peoples Forum welcomes Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe, who will share her journey with us. Join us at 9:30 a.m. in the Robertson Room.

HOLIDAY WREATH & POINSETTIA SALE

Stop by the Welcome Desk to purchase a holiday wreath or poinsettia from the Women of Peoples Church. Purchases may be made between worship services or following the 10:30 a.m. worship service at the Welcome Desk. All sales benefit the ministries of the Women of Peoples Church which, in turn, benefit various nonprofit organizations in the Greater Lansing area.

NOTICE: CHANGE IN FRIDAY EMAIL

Please note, starting in November, the email that is sent each Friday to subscribers will be now be sent out each Thursday. If you currently do not receive our weekly email, sign-up on thepeopleschurch. com homepage.



Join us in the Robertson Room at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays (following the community meal), as Pastor Drew leads a study on Jonah. This prophet is often quoted and often misunderstood.

VISITATION TEAM

Members of The Peoples Church Visitation Team will meet on **November 14** and feature Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe, our guest speaker. The meeting takes place at 1:00 p.m. in the Robertson Room. If you are interested in joining this ministry or have any questions, call Pat Brogran at 517.337.1446 or Gretchen Rosenbrook at 517.332.5132.

YOUTH SUNDAY AND CAKE AUCTION

The Peoples Church Youth Group will be taking over worship on **November 10** for our annual Youth Sunday! Then, following the 10:30 a.m. worship service, join PCYG in the Snider Social Hall for their annual Cake Auction and bid on a cake or two! Proceeds from the auction will benefit this year's mission trip to Pine Ridge, South Dakota.

MITTEN STATE RIVALRY TAILGATE

The Women of Peoples Church invite you to participate in the "Mitten State Rivalry Tailgate" on **November 16**! Come with an appetite and wear your favorite team colors (green and white or maize and blue). The tailgate will begin one hour prior to kickoff and will take place in the Robertson Room. Join us for fun, fellowship, food, and of course, the game; everyone is welcome!

TPC 24/7: ANYTIME, ANYWHERE!

If you haven't already, be sure to download *REALM*, our new updated online program that allows you to be connected with us 24/7, Anytime, Anywhere! Update personal info, give online, view giving history, and more! Go to your app store, search for "Realm Connect" if using an iPhone or "Connect Our Church" if using an Android. Use the passcode of: thepeopleschurch.



NOW ON DISPLAY: THE RAINMAKERS NEW ART EXHIBIT

"The Rainmakers," the Fine Arts Committee's unique new exhibition, is now on display in the West Hall, the Thompson case and the Kiosk located in the East Hall, adjacent to the Rotunda. This unique exhibit features the work of Guillermo Delgado and a variety of Community Engagement Students from the MSU Residential College in the Arts and Humanities as well as a number of incarcerated individuals from throughout Mid-Michigan. The exhibit grew out of the artist's Prison Poetry & 'Zine Project, which mounts poetry and art workshops in six different Michigan correctional facilities, including the juvenile detention center in Lansing. Guillermo teaches in prisons a few times a week. The goal of the project is to help make incarcerated folks feel more human again by providing a safe and encouraging venue for self-expression. Guillermo is an Academic Specialist in Community and Socially Engaged Arts and Humanities at Michigan State University. He will talk about "The Rainmakers" and his work on the Prison Poetry & 'Zine Project during the Peoples Forum in the Robertson Room on November 24, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. The exhibit will remain on display through January 16, 2020.



BLOOM A New Season Of Growth!

Plant the seed. Nurture growth.

Join Dr. Monroe, the Council of Elders, and other members, as we look toward the future growth of our church during two Seedling Receptions in the Robertson Room. Plan to come to one of the following sessions to see what God has in store for The Peoples Church:

Sunday, October 27, noon – 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 29, 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.



MITTEN STATE RIVALRY TAILGATE

Saturday, November 16

Tailgate will start one hour prior to kickoff in the Robertson Room.



Join us for fellowship, food, fun, and to watch a great rivalry game on the big screen!



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