

World Communion Sunday

October 2, 2022



Sunday Schedule

Chapel Service: 8:30 a.m.

Sanctuary Service: 10:30 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.

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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.



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COUNCIL OF ELDERS

Elders meet at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Robertson Room. Bev Mason, 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, click [here!](#)

To join the worship service via telephone, dial (844) 933-0517

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Prelude

Thee We Adore
Judy Kabodian, organist

Arr. David N. Johnson

Acolytes

Theo Eysselinck & Alazne Cadieux

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

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

***Call to Worship**

One: Today, people across the world unite in celebrating communion.
In our own particular ways and customs, we eat, drink, and remember.

**All: We gather and share the Word and the Sacrament.
We gather to discern the ways of faithful service.**

One: There is one bread, one body, one Lord.
There is one cup of blessing which we share.

**All: Though we are many people scattered throughout the earth,
We are made One in Christ Jesus, our Lord.**

One: With one voice and one spirit, let us praise our God!

All: With one voice and one spirit, we praise the Lord!

***Gathering Hymn**

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.

Prayer of Confession

God of all, we gather on this day to seek and celebrate unity in Christ's name. Yet even as we lift up our prayers, we recognize how far we are from this goal. We are quick to notice differences and slow to recognize our shared humanity. We draw artificial boundaries and divisions between countries and races and people. In the face of suffering, injustice and oppression, we like to mind our own business and forget the suffering of one is the suffering of all. Forgive us for the ways we have separated ourselves from each other and from you. Let your great love for all humanity draw us back into holy community. We pray this in the name of Jesus, our companion and our savior. Amen.

Moment of Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

**Confession Response*

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God (v. 1)

no. 423

Create in me a clean heart, O God;
Create in me a clean heart, O God;
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.

Passing the Peace of Christ

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

Children's Moment

Rev. Dr. Devon Herrell

Anthem

All Things New
Sanctuary Choir, directed by Dr. Jon Reed

Elaine Hagenberg

Light after darkness, gain after loss, strength after weakness, crown after cross; Sweet after bitter, hope after fears, home after wandering, praise after tears. Alpha and Omega, beginning and the end, He is making all things new. Springs of living water shall wash away each tear. He is making all things new. He is making all things new. Sight after mystery, sun after rain, joy after sorrow, peace after pain; near after distant, gleam after gloom, love after loneliness, life after tomb. Alpha and Omega, beginning and the end, He is making all things new. Springs of living water shall wash away each tear. He is making all things new. He is making all things new.

Scripture

2 Timothy 1:1-7

Sermon

“Eat, Drink, and Remember”

Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe

***Hymn of Response**

Together We Serve (v. 1, 2, 4)

no. 767

Together we serve, united by love, inviting God’s world to the glorious feast. We work and we pray through sorrow and joy, extending God’s love to the last and the least.

We seek to become a beacon of hope, a lamp for the heart and a light for the feet. We learn, year by year, to let love shine through until we see Christ in each person we meet.

Together, by grace, we witness and work, remembering Jesus, in whom we grow strong. Together we serve in Spirit of truth, remembering love is the strength of our song.

Together We Serve
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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

****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

God of grace, bless the gifts that we share and the gifts we hold back. Help us to see our lives as the place where your holy work of love and healing takes place. May this offering be used to bless and serve others in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Service of Communion

Invitation

Prayer of Consecration and Blessing

Words of Institution

Sharing of Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We have come to your table, Holy One, and we have been fed. As we have shared the bread and the cup, may we also share the mercy and the ministry. Through the grace of Jesus Christ, may we be united in spirit, strengthened in purpose, and inspired by love. Amen.

***Sending Hymn**

One Bread, One Body (v. 1-3)

no. 530

Refrain: One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. Refrain.

Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. Refrain.

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one, for all. Refrain.

One Bread, One Body
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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

Tocatta in G Major
Judy Kabodian, organist

William Walond



Floral Dedication

Today's floral dedication are given to the glory of God.

PROGRAMMING AT THE PEOPLES CHURCH

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP: After the service, please join us in Friendship Hall for freshly brewed coffee, sweet treats, and fellowship!

MAKING SENSE OF THE BIBLE: Join Pastor Devon in the Robertson Room at 9:30 a.m. on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays for a lively discussion of scripture and current hot-button issues.

VOICES OF THE COMMUNITY: Held on the first Sunday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Robertson Room, these informative presentations give a voice to various community members on a wide range of topics. For the month of October, the forum has been switched to the second Sunday, October 9th, with guest speaker Megan Hayes Doherty, President of Hayes Electric. All are welcome!

CAMPUS MINISTRY: Campus Ministry meets Sundays at 11:30 a.m. and Tuesdays at 8 p.m. in the College Lounge, and on Mondays at 11 a.m. at Blue Owl Coffee.

PCYG: Combined middle and high school Youth Group will meet today from 6-8 p.m. for regular PCYG in the Youth Den.

ENGAGING THE WORD: Led by Pastor Shawnthea, this group meets in-person on Mondays from 9:00-10:00 a.m. in the Robertson Room and Wednesdays on Zoom from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. The text discussed this week is Luke 17: 11-19. The Zoom link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81906921959>.

WEDNESDAYS AT PEOPLES: A community dinner will be held every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Social Hall, followed by your choice of dance aerobics with Rev. Dr. Shawnthea Monroe, or bible study with Rev. Dr. Devon Herrell. We hope you can join us for Wednesdays @ Peoples Church!

A.C.H.E. (Grad Student Group): Adults Connecting Having Events will meet on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. For more information about this young adult group, follow [ache_thepeopleschurch](#) on Instagram or contact Pastor Devon at dherrell@thepeopleschurch.com. Today, we will take a trip to Uncle John's Cider Mill following worship!

TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP: The Tuesday Morning Men's Group is currently reading *The Divine Conspiracy: Rediscovering Our Hidden Life in God* by Dallas Willard. We continue to meet at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesdays in the Robertson Room.

MEN'S WEDNESDAY NOON DISCUSSION GROUP: Join us in the Robertson Room to begin our discussion of the book "Why I Would Have Killed Jesus and You Might Have Too" By David Nelson.

CHICs (CONNECTED HEARTS IN CHRIST): CHICs will meet on Thursday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Robertson Room. If you are interested in joining the group or have questions, contact Beth Lundy at lundybb@comcast.net or (610)246-0029.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW MEMBER CLASS: If you are interested in becoming a member of The Peoples Church or simply want to know more about this remarkable community of faith, consider joining our next New Members Class today at 11:30 a.m. in the Centennial Room. Please contact Robin Matheson at matheso4@msu.edu or 517-290-3223 to register or get more information. Also, please let us know if you will need childcare.

FAITH & BLUE: We have another opportunity to volunteer in the community! The Peoples Church is one of the sponsoring Faith-Based Agencies for Faith & Blue Weekend! On Friday, October 7, we are part of a Community event that includes a Blood Drive, Food Trucks, Games and an opportunity to connect with other Faith-Based Organizations and the East Lansing Police Department. Volunteers are needed in shifts from 10:00 AM-Noon and Noon-2:00 PM. The event takes place at Martin Luther Chapel and in the North Lot (off Abbot Rd. between Martin Luther Chapel and the East Lansing City Hall).

Here is the SignUpGenius Link to Volunteer:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D4BAFA92CAAF58-faith>

Here is the link to sign up to give blood: <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/donation-time>

(type in zip code to search for blood drive).

CROP WALK: The CROP Hunger Walk is Sunday, October 9th starting at 2:00 p.m. at Grace UMC, 1800 Boston Blvd in Lansing. The walk is a 5K (3.2 miles), and people are welcome to run or walk. Wagons and strollers are okay, but bikes, scooters, and roller blades are not permitted. Please consider joining the team or making a donation. To view our team's page, visit this link: <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/team/the-peoples-church>.

HAL LECTURE SERIES - JOHN PAVLOVITZ: We are pleased to invite you to the sixth annual Henry and Annabel Larzelere Lecture Series on October 22 and 23, welcoming best-selling author and pastor, John Pavlovitz. John will preach at our Sunday morning worship service, and in the afternoon he will lead a lecture/discussion on Living a Life of Sustainable Compassion. The Library Committee will have Pavlovitz's latest book: *If God is Love, Don't Be a Jerk* available for purchase before and after the 10:30 service from September 18 to October 16 in anticipation of this event.

FAME (FOSTERING ACADEMICS, MENTORING EXCELLENCE AT MSU): A FAME student is a Spartan who has experienced homelessness, foster care, guardianship, kinship care, adoption or are independent. FAME is working hard to stock their Care Closet, which has been in high demand since the semester started. The biggest needs right now include non-perishable snacks and laundry detergent pods, which can be dropped off in a box behind the Welcome Desk. Additionally, their Amazon Wish List has been updated and can be accessed here: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/13HB1DSNO41M8?ref=wl_share. Anything purchased off of this link will be directly shipped to the FAME office on campus.