

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 21, 2019



*Alleluia!
He is risen!*



THE PEOPLES CHURCH

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

This schedule returns
April 28, 2019.

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

6:10 p.m.

Youth Choir

6:30 p.m.

High School Youth Group

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

This schedule returns
April 24, 2019.

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



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
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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.

OFFICE CLOSURE!

The church office will be closed, in observance of the Easter holiday, on Monday, April 22, 2019. Regular business hours will resume on Tuesday, April 23, 2019.

ASL Interpreted Service

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



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Prelude "Fanfare and Processional" Douglas E. Wagner
Judy Kabodian, organist

Choral Introit "Alleluia! Glorious Word!" arr. Carolyn Jennings
Sanctuary Choir, directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed

Welcome to The Peoples Church! Rev. Case Van Kempen

Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed!

Leader: Glory and honor, dominion and power, be to God for ever and ever! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Procession of the Light of Christ

Gathering Hymn "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" No. 232

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession Rev. Betsy Aho

Leader: Rejoice, O Holy Church! Exult in glory! The risen Savior shines upon us! Let this place resound with joy, echoing the mighty song of all God's people. Join me now in asking for God's mercy that we may receive grace to proclaim God's Easter praises.

All: O God, who for our redemption gave your only begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to our sins that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: It is truly right that by the power of the Holy Spirit, with full hearts and minds and voices, we should praise you, invisible, almighty, and eternal God, and your only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: For Christ has ransomed us with his blood, and paid for us the debt of Adam's sin to deliver your people. Alleluia! Amen.

Congregational Response "Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" No. 248

First Reading Matthew 28:1-10 Rev. Drew Filkins
(Pew Bible Page 999; Large Print 1,521)

Communion (7:00 a.m.)

Children's Moment

Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Solo (7:00 a.m.) "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" (*from Messiah*) G.F. Handel
Michaela Larsen, soprano

Anthem "He Is Risen!" Craig Courtney

Second Reading II Corinthians 5:16-6:2
(Pew Bible Page 1,160; Large Print 1,757)

Sermon "What Do We Do About Easter?" Rev. Case Van Kempen
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Hymn of Response "There Is Now a New Creation" No. 774

Prayers of the People & 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.

Thanksgiving and Dedication of Gifts

Offertory "Come, Proclaim the Victory" arr. Joseph M. Martin

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

Gracious God, you are faithful and just! Through the resurrection of your Son Jesus, you have given great grace to us all. You call us to share the joy of eternal life with others so that our joy may be complete. Light the way for us as we seek to live in fellowship with Christ. May these offerings reflect the grace of our risen Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Closing Hymn

"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

No. 327

You are invited to join the choir for the Hallelujah chorus. Music is provided.

If interested, please make your way to the front of the Sanctuary during the closing hymn.

Benediction

Congregational response: **"Jesus is Lord!"**

Benediction Response

"Hallelujah Chorus" (*from Messiah*)

G.F. Handel

Postlude

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

Gilbert M. Martin

*Thank
You*

TO OUR TALENTED BRASS PLAYERS:

**Austin Blower
Sho Dembinski
Brendan Kelly
Robert Killips**

PHOEBE CIRCLE

Phoebe Circle will meet **April 24** at Pat Brogan's Home at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Case will be the guest speaker sharing trends of main line churches and discussing the position of The Peoples Church. For directions to Pat's home, please call her at 517.337.1446. Everyone is invited and friends, too!

GREAT DECISIONS

On **April 25**, Dr. Russell Lucas from the MSU James Madison College, will be our guest speaker for our Great Decisions series. Dr. Lucas will discuss the turmoil that continues in the Middle East and how the Trump administration has aligned itself with Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Egypt, which along with Israel, have a common goal of frustrating Iranian expansion. Join us for this lively discussion in the Robertson Room from 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

FOOD & FELLOWSHIP

Mark your calendars! Join us after the 10:30 a.m. worship service for lunch and fellowship on **April 28** at Coral Gables in East Lansing. No need to RSVP! The Welcome Ministry has tables reserved for The Peoples Church. All ages welcome.



WNL! programming resumes on **April 24**. Join us in the Robertson Room at 6:30 p.m. as we learn about Visiting Houses of Worship.

PEOPLES FORUM



Join us in the Robertson Room at 9:30 a.m. on **April 28** when the Peoples Forum welcomes a representative from the Board of Water and Light who will give a presentation about Earth Day.

VBS: TO MARS AND BEYOND!



Blast off with the first VBS to land on the moon, **June 17-21** at Woldumar Nature Center! Kids will discover the wonders of God's universe—they'll become voyagers on a journey through space, exploring where God's power can take them, and they will blast off to distant planets on special missions to collect power sources. Along the way they'll also learn how God walked with heroes of the Bible. It will be an out-of-this-world learning experience! Sign up information to come soon.



spring cleanup

Our annual Spring Yard Clean Up day will be **May 4 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

I WANT TO HELP ON SPRING YARD CLEAN UP DAY! | 9:00 a.m. - NOON ON MAY 4

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Number Attending: _____

I will bring my own: Rakes Trimmers Blower Hedge Trimmer Ext. Cords

Other: _____

Questions? Contact Matt Gosselin at 517.484.6813 or mattcatgosselin@comcast.net. Return this form to the church office or in the offertory plate.

2019 EASTER LILY DEDICATIONS

The Lilies on the Cross were gifted by Renate Carey in loving memory of James Carey

IN MEMORY OF...

Alan Woolsey, Grace Woolsey Garfield & Kenneth and Mildred Moore, by William and Janet Woolsey, Jane Hedeem & Family & Debra Trowbridge & Family

Dr. Geoff Sumner-Smith, by Jann Angell

Marilyn Cornelius, by Gene Cornelius & Daughters, Julie, Anne, Kate & Marilyn & Our Families

Ruth Eddie and Julie Eddie, by Kim Warren Eddie

Our Grandparents Patricia and Michael Frank, by the Privette Family

Our Grandparents John and Donna Hodge, by the Privette Family

Robert Edgar Bradley, by Francis Bradley & Family

Dr. Curt Liechty, John Liechty & the Parents of Steve & Lana Wagner, by Steve & Lana Wagner

My precious wife, Peggy, by Dr. Randy Wirth

Carol O. Ekern, by Fran Ekern

Frank McKowen, by Jeanne McKowen

Our loving parents and grandparents, George and Libby Kohl, by Linda and Rachel Kohl

Wally and Fran Piper, by Sam and Jan Tucker

Marion and Roy H. Heil, by Susan Heil-Godfrey

Laverne Moncher, by Bill and Lydia Erickson

Greg Hilton, by Suzette Hilton

Our parents Helen and L.D. Gieseler & Rosie and Joe Perron, by Ray and Janet Perron

Thomas H. Vaughn and Steward B. Hoffman, by Merrilyn Vaughn-Hoffman & Family

Claude and Norma Raak, by Bruce, Jason and Adam Raak

Paula and Dean Telder & Adele and Harry Przybylski & Ryan Eck, by Dee and Dave Przybylski

Zorob Kabodian, by Aram, Judy and Aaron Kabodian

George and Katie Kerr, by their children Christine, Calvin, Gwendolyn and Betsy Ann

Chuck Wing, by Nancy Wing

Our grandparents Jack and Polly Reed & Tom DeSimone, by Hallie Reed Slettengren and Christopher Reed

Betty Gray Donahue, by the Witkus Family

Sarah Lynn Witkus, by the Witkus Family

Dr. Curtis Liechty and son, John Liechty, by Jim and Connie Close



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IN CELEBRATION OF...

The many volunteers who give their time and energy to the various Peoples Church programs, by Barbara McMillan

Family and Friends, by Gary and Sandra Wegenke

The Family of Ruth E. and Wilbur C. Wright, by Joan Wright

IN HONOR OF...

Ev and Rita Lothrop, by Sue Lothrop

Mary Lou Johnson and Merlin Johnson, by Aleksandra Carpio

Howard and Daisy Angell, by Jann Angell

Shirley Guider, love Linda, Mark, Seth, and Adam Grua

Shirley Fisher, beloved Mother and Grandmother, by Lori Koons

TO THE GLORY OF GOD...

By Richard and Kay Comstock

By Paul C. Babbitt

