

“Be still, and know that I am God.”

Psalm 46

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 23, 2019

Prelude

*“Sweet Hour of Prayer”
Judy Kabodian, organ*

arr. David H. Hegarty

Welcome to The Peoples Church!

Rev. Case Van Kempen

Prayer of Approach

All: God our Provider, we walked into church today needing you in different ways. Some of us need strength because we are facing a big challenge. Some of us need hope, because we feel like giving up. Some of us need love because we are feeling alone. We trust that you will provide for us, whether through words or music, or in a quiet moment of reflection. You are here, you are with us. Amen.

Gathering Hymn

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

No. 465

Procession of the Light of Christ

Call to Confession

Leader: The psalmist addresses God saying, “I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, ‘I will confess my transgression to the Lord.’ And you forgave the guilt of my sin.” Let us join in a prayer of confession.

Prayer of Confession

All: God of healing, God of wholeness, we bring our brokenness, our sinfulness, our fears and despair, and lay them at your feet. God of healing, God of wholeness, we hold out hearts and hands, minds and souls to feel your touch, and know the peace that only you can bring. God of healing, God of wholeness, may this precious moment in your presence and power grant us faith and confidence that here broken lives are made whole. Amen.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30 a.m. - Chapel

10:30 a.m. - Sanctuary

10:30 a.m. - Sunday School



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Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God brings to our sinfulness the cleansing waters of forgiveness, that having washed, we might know refreshment and release.

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.**

Congregational Response "You Are the Lord, Give 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

Psalm 46

(Pew Bible Page 563; Large Print 818)

Communion (8:30 a.m.)

Reception of New Members

Deborah Hager • Adam Prew • Ashley Prew

Statement of Faith

We believe 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.

Children's Moment

(10:30 a.m.)

VBS Fun

Ann Harvey and Joe Kennedy

Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Solo

"Carol"

Gerald Finzi

Lynn Fendler, clarinet

Second Reading

Acts 1:12-14

(Pew Bible Page 1,091; Large Print 1,1656)

Sermon

"Goals for Prayer"

Rev. Case Van Kempen

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Hymn of Response

"God Be the Love to Search and Keep Me"

No. 543

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

“Pie Jesu” from *Requiem*

Gabriel Fauré

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

Holy Lord, the whole earth is full of your glory! We are in awe of your majesty. In great kindness, you reveal yourself as the one who hears prayer. You give us gifts and invite us to go into the world to tell your good news. Help us to respond in faith and go where you lead us each day. We dedicate our gifts so that our community will draw closer to you. Amen.

Sending Hymn

“More Love to Thee, O Christ”

No. 828

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

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Johann Walther



Floral Dedication:

In loving memory of my precious wife, Peggy, by Dr. Randy Wirth.



Farewell Reception

for

Rev. Betsy Aho

Sunday, June 30

Following the 10:30 a.m.
worship service

Robertson Room

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; refreshments will be served. Please join us, and bring only your company and appetite, as we wish Pastor Betsy well in her next call and share in the joyful times she has brought to The Peoples Church.



The Undie Sundays collection is happening now 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.

Undies for Everyone

