

Sanctuary Service, May 12, 2024



THE PEOPLES CHURCH

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SERVICE INFORMATION

Sanctuary Service: 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary & livestreamed on YouTube.

No Sunday School today.

Professional 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.

Please join us after the service in our front lobby for coffee hour and fellowship!

LISTENING DEVICES

We now offer listening devices that amplify sound from stage microphones, which are available upon request.

ASL INTERPRETED SERVICE

The Peoples Church is proud to welcome American Sign Language interpreters for our Sunday worship services

SENSORY TOOL KIT

A Sensory Tool Kit is reserved for individuals who get over-stimulated 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

Office hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Mon.-Fri., and Sunday mornings. Phones are monitored from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

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COUNCIL OF ELDERS

Elders meet at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Robertson Room. John Lindley, 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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Please take this opportunity to fill out the black attendance pad found at the end of your pew.

Prelude

“Everything Was Made By God/God Is So Good” arr. Tammy Rawlinson

“Carillon For a Joyous Day”

Douglas Wagner

Coppertone Ringers Directed by Elizabeth Reed

Acolytes:

Gabriel and Theodore Eysselinck

Welcome

Rev. Haley Hansen

***Call to Worship**

One We gather together to worship the Lord,
The God of all Creation.

**All From our first breath to our last,
God’s love endures forever.**

One God comforts us in our time of need.
God leads us in the ways of peace.

**All Through trials and triumphs,
God’s love endures forever.**

One God knows us at our best and our worst.
God calls us to lives of meaning and love.

**All As a mother loves her children, so God loves us.
Let us worship and praise the Lord!**

***Gathering Hymn**

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies” (v. 1-3)

no. 327

From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator’s praise arise: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Redeemer’s name be sung through every land, in every tongue. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

In every land begin the song; to every land the strains belong: Alleluia! Alleluia! In cheerful sound all voices raise and fill the world with joyful praise. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Eternal are thy mercies Lord; eternal truth attends thy word: Alleluia! Alleluia! Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore, till suns shall rise and set no more. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

From All That Dwell Below the Skies
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Prayer of Confession

God of infinite grace, we confess that we have made you in our image. We have allowed ourselves to see you as domineering instead of loving, disapproving instead of forgiving, and punishing instead of healing. Forgive us for our narrow-minded understanding. You are beyond our dreams and our understanding. You are the creative being who has called us into life and the Savior that leads us into life beyond death. Pour your love into our hearts and help us to accept each other as your beloved children. We pray all this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Moment of Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

****Confession Response***

"Thine Is The Glory"

***Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;
Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.***

Passing the Peace of Christ

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

Choir Anthem

"Praise Ye The Lord!"

Buryl A. Red

Carol Choir assisted by members of the Youth Choir, Directed by Elizabeth Reed

Praise ye the Lord! Praise ye the Lord! Praise Him for His mighty works. Praise ye the Lord! Praise ye the Lord! Praise Him for His greatness. Praise God with instruments of music, Praise God with instruments of music, Praise God with instruments of music! Praise ye the Lord! Praise ye the Lord! Praise Him for His mighty works. Praise ye the Lord! Praise ye the Lord! Praise Him for His greatness.

Children's Moment

Choir Anthem

"How Can I Keep From Singing?"

Arr. Craig Courtney

Sanctuary Choir directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed

My life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation, I hear the sweet, though far off hymn that hails a new creation. Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing. It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing? No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing? What though my joys and comforts die? The Lord my Savior liveth. What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth. No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing? The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing! All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing? No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

Scripture Reading

Luke 24:44-53

Sermon

“Tag! You’re It”

Rev. Haley Hansen

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.

Recognition of Dr. Jonathan Reed

Invitation to Give

Offertory

“Glory, Glory, Hallelujah”

arr. Howard Helvey

Sanctuary Choir directed by Dr. Jonathan Reed

Nick Kreider, soloist

Glory, glory, hallelujah! Since I laid my burdens down. Glory, glory, hallelujah! Since I laid my burdens down. I’ve shown courage through the trials since I laid my burdens down. I’ve shown courage through the trials since I laid my burdens down. I am hopeful for the future since I laid my burdens down. I am hopeful for the future since I laid my burdens down. I am thankful for the journey since I laid my burdens down. I am thankful for the journey since I laid my burdens down. Glory, glory, hallelujah! Since I laid my burdens down. Glory, glory, hallelujah! Since I laid my burdens down!

****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 Creation, we ask you to bless the gifts we offer to support the mission and ministry of this church. Teach us to use all our resources in a way that brings joy to those who sorrow and help to the oppressed. We give all our gifts in Christ’s name. Amen.



***Sending Hymn**

“When in Our Music God Is Glorified” (v. 1-3, 5)

no. 641

When in our music God is glorified, and adoration leaves no room for pride, it is as though the whole creation cried: Alleluia!

How often, making music, we have found a new dimension in the world of sound, as worship moved us to a more profound Alleluia!

So has the church, in liturgy and song, in faith and love, through centuries of wrong, borne witness to the truth in every tongue: Alleluia!

Let every instrument be tuned for praise! Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise! And may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia!

When in Our Music God Is Glorified
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***Benediction**

***Benediction Response**

Sanctuary Choir directed by Michael Huey-Jones

Postlude

“Crown Imperial”

William Walton

Judy Kabodian, Organist

USED BOOK & JEWELRY SALE REMINDERS

The Used Book and Jewelry Sale is slated for May 18 to May 19!

Jewelry donations are accepted **year round** and can be dropped off in the Main Church Office.

The Library Committee is collecting used books in good condition for the sale.

Donations can be placed on the **stage in the Snider Social Hall**. *We ask that you do not donate textbooks, magazines, encyclopedias, or special interest sets!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS: The Community Engagement Ministry has chosen to provide a \$300 scholarship to any child or youth in our congregation who would like to attend summer camp administered by one of our four denominations. Those interested should register themselves. The scholarship will be reimbursed, or we can send a check if there is time. They are provided on a first come-first serve basis. To receive an application, contact Kim Gools at kgools@yahoo.com.

THE READING PEOPLE: The Reading People will meet on **May 16 at 1:30 p.m. in the Robertson Room** to discuss *Firekeeper's Daughter*, by Angeline Boulley, the New York Times bestseller about a Native American teen who must root out the corruption in her community. Led by Sue Patterson, we will look at the book from many different viewpoints. We invite you to bring a sack lunch and join us at 1 p.m. for a time of fellowship.

BOOKS, JEWELRY & MORE SALE: Our big "Used Books, Jewelry & More Sale!" is scheduled for **May 18 - 19 in Snider Social Hall and the Gym**. We are still accepting donations and need a few more volunteers to help work the sale. If you love thrifting or enjoy picking, you'll love browsing our sale while also helping others shop! Shifts can be two to four hours long or you can stay all day! Please email Jessica Eysseleinck with your day/time requests at jess@eysseleinck.com.

LADIES LUNCH BUNCH: Ladies Lunch Bunch will be meeting at **noon on May 22**, at Coral Gables restaurant in East Lansing. The restaurant will need a close headcount to secure a reservation, so please call (517) 349-1074 to RSVP.

THE KNITTING PEOPLE: The Knitting People will meet on **May 23 at noon** for our spring luncheon, followed by knitting and crocheting our projects, and blessing our completed items. For more information, email Mary Anne at malarz@aol.com.

THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE: The Library Committee is collecting used books in good condition for the Book Sale. **Donations can be placed on the Stage in the Snider Social Hall.** We ask that you do not donate textbooks, magazines, encyclopedias, or special interest sets. Non-fiction and children's books are greatly appreciated! If you'd like to volunteer or if you have any questions, please contact Susan Godfrey at s.godfrey@sbcglobal.net.

VBS 2024: CAMP FIRELIGHT: Incoming kindergarteners-6th graders for the 2024-25 school year are invited to attend VBS @ TPC on **Monday, June 24 to Friday, June 28, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.** Kiddos will have a daily Bible story & song, go to the MSU Planetarium & Dairy Store, do experiments with Impression 5 staff, see live animals with a naturalist, and more! The cost is \$75 and registration can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/VBS2024TPC>.

CARDBOARD PROPHETS DONATIONS: In 2024, The Peoples Church will be collecting a specific item each month to donate to Cardboard prophets, a Lansing-based group that provides help to the homeless. We are not asking for new items, but items that are donated must be laundered and in good repair. If you have gently used and clean items, please place them in the blue plastic storage bin located near the church office on the east side of the sanctuary. **In May**, we are collecting shoes and boots.

PROGRAMMING AT THE PEOPLES CHURCH

ACHE: Adults Connecting & Having Events is a group for young adults that meets twice a month for events and outings. For more information about ACHE, email Pastor Haley at hhansen@thepeopleschurch.com, and follow “ACHE The Peoples Church” on Facebook and “ache_thepeopleschurch” on Instagram.

CHICs: ‘Connected Hearts In Christ’ (CHICs) is back! CHICs will meet in the Robertson Room on the **second Thursday of the month, 6:30-8:30 p.m.** CHICs is a women’s group that meets for devotionals, discussion, and fellowship. To learn more about CHICs, please email Traci Dudley at tracidudley@gmail.com, or Susan Godfrey at s.godfrey@sbcglobal.net.

COLLEGE MINISTRY: Campus/College Ministry is specifically for college age folks to meet and connect for fellowship and special events. Campus Ministry joins with ACHE for the summer months. For more information, contact Pastor Haley by emailing hhansen@thepeopleschurch.com, and follow Peoples Church Campus Ministry on Facebook and Instagram.

ENGAGING THE WORD: Pastor Shawnthea leads the in-person book study group on **Mondays from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Robertson Room**, and the Wednesday Bible study over Zoom from 9 to 10 a.m. The Zoom link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81926804577>. This week’s passage is Acts 2:1-21.

PEOPLES CHURCH YOUTH GROUP: Today, PCYG will have Coppertones Rehearsal from **9:15 - 9:30 a.m.**, rehearsal in the Choir Room from **10 - 10:20 a.m.** and then Coppertones will be in the **10:30 a.m.** service.

PORCH OF HEAVEN: Porch of Heaven is a Lectio Divina service that takes place **Mondays at 6:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary Balcony**. Lectio Divina is a long-practiced method of reading scripture that can inspire new insights into biblical texts. It involves silence, mindfulness, and sharing. If you are curious about this new worship opportunity, try visiting Porch of Heaven, or contact Tom Schaberg by emailing taschaberg1@gmail.com for more information.

PUB THEOLOGY: Pub Theology is a once a month gathering to engage in conversation about faith, life, and what is happening in the world. The next Pub Theology gathering will be **Tuesday, June 4 at 6:30 p.m.** For more information, please contact Pastor Haley Hansen at hhansen@thepeopleschurch.com.

TAIZE SERVICE: Our last Taize service until fall is **May 19 at 6:30 p.m.** Taize services take place on the fourth Sunday of every month, and consist of repetitive and meditative singing, prayer, scripture, and silence. It is a powerful, quiet, contemplative worship experience. All are welcome.

TUESDAY MORNING MEN’S GROUP: The Tuesday Men’s Group is discussing the book, “Short Stories by Jesus—The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi” by Amy Jill-Levine, **Tuesday in the Robertson Room at 7:30 a.m.**

WEDNESDAY MEN’S GROUP: Join the men’s Wednesday discussion group that meets **every Wednesday at noon in The Robertson Room** for good conversation and donuts. The group is currently reading ‘*Letters to Malcolm*’ by C. S. Lewis. We will continue to meet through Wednesday, May 22nd and then will be taking a break until September.

WEDNESDAYS @ PEOPLES CHURCH: Join us **every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.** in Snider Social Hall for a community dinner! Dance aerobics will be held in the gym at **6 p.m.** and Pastor Haley will be hosting her Bible study at **6:30 p.m.** this week.