

**3rd Sunday after Epiphany**

**January 24, 2016**

**Thought for Individual Meditation**

*The sign in the toy repair shop read, "Nothing broken beyond repair."*

*The sign in the church read, "No one broken beyond repair."*

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# Gathering the Community

PRELUDE

Ray Staroscik  
Organist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Bob Agnew

CALL TO WORSHIP

Derek Sale

Jesus Christ, the Great Physician, invites us into the healing presence of God, our refuge and strength.

**God meets us where we are, heals the broken, and leads us to times of witness and praise.**

Great is our Lord and abundant in power; God's understanding is beyond measure. The Lord lifts up the downtrodden. (Psalm 147:1b-3, 5-6a)

**How good it is to sing praises to our God; for God is gracious and a song of praise is fitting.**

\*HYMN # 645        *"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"*

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Derek Sale

**Almighty God, you have shown us what is right: to act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with you. Have mercy on us when we fail to follow your commands that lead to the abundant life. Forgive poverty of body, mind and spirit. Raise us out of the chains of waywardness and guilt into the freedom, courage and energy of a forgiven people. Strengthen us by your Spirit, giving us tender hearts and willing hands that reflect your goodness and honor your holy name.**

\*SILENT CONFESSION

\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*RESPONSE SONG # 616        *"Our God Is an Awesome God"*

**Our God is an awesome God who reigns from heaven above  
with wisdom, power, and love; our God is an awesome God!**

\*SHARING THE PEACE

Derek Sale

The Peace of the Living Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

# THE WORD

SPECIAL TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

SONG FOR ILLUMINATION # 626

*"As the Deer"*

***As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you.  
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.  
You alone are my strength, my shield; to you alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.***

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:

Psalm 147:1-7

Derek Sale

*(p.549 in pew Bibles)*

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

*"Christ Be With Me"*

-Hal H. Hopson

The Worship Choir

Edward Kingins, Music Director

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON:

Luke 4:14-21

Dr. Bob Agnew

*(p.57 in pew Bibles)*

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

***"Christians Under Repair"***

Dr. Bob Agnew

SERMON TEXT: *"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted...." (Luke 4:18 KJV)*

# THE RESPONSE

\*HYMN # 796

*"We Come to You for Healing, Lord" Vs. 1-3*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*(in unison)*

Derek Sale

**We trust in Jesus Christ,  
fully human, fully God.**

**Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:  
preaching good news to the poor  
and release to the captives,  
teaching by word and deed  
and blessing the children,  
healing the sick  
and binding up the brokenhearted,  
eating with outcasts,  
forgiving sinners,  
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.**

**In a broken and fearful world  
the Spirit gives us courage  
to pray without ceasing,  
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,  
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.  
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,  
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives.**

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERING OF THE PLEDGES AND GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

**\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE # 647                   *"Give Thanks"***

**Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;  
give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.  
And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say,  
"We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"  
Give thanks. Give thanks.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Derek Sale

**\*HYMN # 619                                   *"Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven" Vs. 1-3***

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

(If you wish to do so, we invite you to sit quietly and enjoy the postlude as part of your worship.)

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*\*Please rise in body, mind, or spirit.*

*Thank you for gathering with us for worship this morning. Following worship, there will be a coffee hour in the Great Hall. Please join us!*

Organist	Ray Staroscik
Liturgist	Derek Sale
Song Leader	Nancy Combs
Sound Technician	Twiler French
Videographer	Randy Commissaris
Worship Coordinator	Kalu Uduma
Coffee Hour Host	The Petrie Family
Deacon on Duty	Nancy Jackson
Open Door Representative	Elizabeth Kershaw

### **Church Hours**

The church offices are open Monday through Thursday 8:00am to 4:00pm. Church offices are closed on Fridays. Alison Grosch, Operations Manager, can be reached at the church or by email OM@fortstreet.org.

### **Ushers are available to provide assistance with particular needs:**

- Hearing Assist System
- Wheelchair Access Ramp
- Wheelchair Seating--locations available in the sanctuary
- Handicap Restroom--use elevator to second floor

### **We are delighted that you are here!**

- \* Visit the information and display tables in the narthex.
- \* During the worship service, child care is provided for children through age 4. Ushers can provide directions. Children of all ages are encouraged to participate in Sunday School, which follows the Children's Message. A Christian Education staff member will lead the children downstairs. Parents may pick them up after worship. For additional information about our Sunday School program, please contact Judith Sheldon at [firstcircleinc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:firstcircleinc@sbcglobal.net). or Nancy Jackson at [nancymottershawjackson@gmail.com](mailto:nancymottershawjackson@gmail.com).
- \* A tape recording and CDs of today's service and/or previous services may be ordered in the Reception Office after worship @ \$3.00 each.
- \* You may add to the beauty of our weekly worship by contributing a floral donation. Flowers are usually given in memory of or in honor of persons or events. Contact Pam Sharrow at [Sharrow13@gmail.com](mailto:Sharrow13@gmail.com). The church office will contact you for your floral dedication.

### **Prayer List for the month of January 2016**

Gabrielle Abrego, Shari Anderson, Don and Lois Bardwell, Lynne Bieniek, Derek and Maxine Bloodworth, Bettie Burton and family, Lorraine and Harrison Coleman, The Curtis Family, Geraldine Adams Jones, Valerie Kimbrough, Virginia Lorimer, Karen Marcil, Marilyn Moore, Leigh Mosley, Cheryl Myers, Kathy Payne and family, Suzanne Ruland, David Shillito, The Spicer family, Richard and Suellen Sale, Nancy Woodkee, and Raquel Villaluz.

### **Prayers for Military loved ones.**

CPL Christopher Whittaker-Bonner USMC; Lt. Harrison L Coleman USN; Jonathan Heyler USN; SSGT Shanell Howard USAF; Sgt. Christopher King; Maj. Michael Kurtti USAF; Lt. Theo Moran USAF; Alta Morrison; Lt. Jon Palmer USA; Lt. Marty Palmer USA; Charles Andrew Parsons II USN; Major Michelle Ruehl AF; Major Katy Spicer USMC; Alexander Szelestey USMC; Lt. Mark Webster USAF.

**FORT STREET STAFF:**

Alison Grosch, Operations Manager, Judith Sheldon, Director of Christian Education; Rev. Neeta Nichols, Interim Director of Open Door; Edward Kingins, Director of Music; Ray Staroscik, Organist; Lola JF Davidson, Secretary; Loretta Stanton, Wedding Coordinator; Jerry Johnson, Building Engineer, Donna Bryant, Damien Hines, Greg Howell, Parking Security; Marilyn Moore, Karen Wright, Donlin Center Staff; Stacey Kershaw, and Elizabeth Kershaw, Open Door Staff.

**Temporary Stated Supply Pastor:** The Rev. Dr. Robert Agnew  
pastor@fortstreet.org

**Pastor Emeritus:** The Rev. Dr. Robert H. Crilley

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# Fort Street News

## MISSION STATEMENT

Fort Street Presbyterian Church is an oasis in an urban environment, building a caring Christian community where diversity is celebrated and developing programs that minister to metropolitan Detroit and the world beyond. We do this in response to the grace of God through Jesus Christ, recognizing the truth of the Gospel: *There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male or female; for all of us are one in Christ Jesus.*

## Annual Reports

Attention Committee Members, Committee Chairpersons and Staff, all annual reports are due in the church office, **NOW!** Contact the Secretary. **Save the date, Feb. 14, 2016** for our annual congregational meeting immediately following service.

## Please Use Envelopes for Sunday Check Contributions

The count volunteers who total up the Sunday offering would appreciate it if check writers could fill out a pew envelope and use it to enclose your check. We use these envelopes as documentation to back up details of our deposit record. If you don't fill one out at the time of contribution, a volunteer must write one for you. The envelope also allows you to show precisely how your contribution is to be applied to our various funds. We thank you for your faithful giving and for your help in assuring that it is counted correctly.

### *The Spiritual Life Committee Offers*

#### *Exploring Faith, Known and Unknown*

Christian Living Discussion Series  
For Adults and Young Adults

### **MEANING IN A MOMENT**

10:00 - 10:45 a.m. Stapleton Chapel  
prior to Sunday Worship at 11:00

### **January 31 Islam Film and Discussion**

#### **"World Without End"**

An Interactive Creation Care Program  
For Children and Youth  
First Through Eighth Grades  
11:15a.m.-Noon, following Children's Message  
Nursery care available 10:00 a.m.– Noon  
Youth Bible Discussion on January 24, February 28,  
April 24, and May 22

#### **January 2016**

**Love Your Neighbor as Yourself, Mark 12: 31**  
January 31 Ashes for Ash Wednesday

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*For additional information please call  
Nancy Jackson at 313.418.6756*



## **THURSDAYS OPEN DOOR MEAL PROGRAM 9AM-11AM**

This program is open to the public. Between 8am and 9am, women and elderly guests may shower. They may also receive a hygiene kit and use the clothing bank once a month. Between 9 and 11am, men may shower. They may also get a hygiene kit and use the clothing bank monthly. Guest seeking clothing and hygiene kits must present valid identification. Between 9 and 11am, a full hot meal is served. Guests may get a haircut, and consult with a social worker. Volunteers are welcome.



## **Flowers Reminder**


Contact the Worship and Arts Committee to purchase flowers for the sanctuary in honor of birthday celebrations, anniversaries, or in memory of a loved one... the list is endless for God's grace. Pam Sharrow is the liaison, at [sharrow13@gmail.com](mailto:sharrow13@gmail.com). Tell her which Sunday in the year and what you **want printed in the bulletin. You pick the color!** Write a check for \$50 and indicate worship and arts. We'll do the rest!

## **MARRIAGE ANYONE, 2016?**

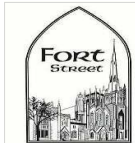
Thinking of getting married? Want to get married at Fort Street?  
Contact the Wedding Coordinator, Loretta Stanton's cell phone **number, 313-549-1015.**

## **Committee Meeting**

The following committees will hold their next meeting on **Wednesday, January 27 at 6:30 pm Personnel, and**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri 1	Sat 2
<b>January 2016</b>					Church Offices Closed Happy New Year!	5:30pm AA 8:00pm AI-Non
3 11:00am Worship 6:30pm NA	4 Church Offices Closed 11-3pm Open Door Inspirational Café	5 8:30am Clothes Sort 12-2pm Career Clst 8:00-9:00pm AA	6 11-3pm Open Door Inspirational Café 2:00pm Staff mtg 7:00pm Session	7 9-11am Open Dr. 7:30pm Chorale Rehearsal	8 Church Offices Closed 8:00-9:00pm AA	9 9:30-3:30pm Officer Training 6:00pm-9:00pm AA Group Anniversary 8:00pm AI-Non
10 11:00am Worship, Communion Ordina- tion Installation of Officers 6:30pm NA	11 11-3pm Open Door Inspirational Café	12 8:30am Clothes Sort 12-2pm Career Clst 8:00-9:00pm AA	13 11-3pm Open Door Inspirational Café 2:00pm Staff mtg	14 9-11am Open Dr. 6:30pm Chorale Registration 7:30pm Chorale Rehearsal	15 Church Offices Closed 8:00-9:00pm AA	16 9:30-1:30 MLK Youth Day 5:30pm AA 8:00pm AI-Non
17 10:00am Adult Ed Class 11:00am Worship 12:30 Peace, Justice & Mission mtg 6:30pm NA	18 Church Offices & Open Door Closed MLK Birthday	19 8:30am Clothes Sort 12-2pm Career Clst 8:00-9:00pm AA	20 11-3pm Open Door Inspirational Café 2:00pm Staff mtg	21 9-11am Open Dr. 11:30am Open Dr. mtg 6:30pm Chorale Registration 7:30pm Chorale Rehearsal	22 Church Offices Closed 8:00-9:00pm AA	23 5:30pm AA 8:00pm AI-Non
24 11:00am Worship 6:30pm NA 12:15 Worship Arts mtg	25 11-3pm Open Door Inspirational Café	26 8:30am Clothes Sort 12-2pm Career Clst 8:00-9:00pm AA	27 11-3pm Open Door Inspirational Café 2:00pm Staff mtg 6:30pm Personnel 7:00 Deacons mtg	28 9-11am Open Dr. 6:30pm Chorale Registration 7:30pm Chorale Rehearsal	29 Church Offices Closed 8:00-9:00pm AA	30 5:30pm AA 8:00pm AI-Non
31 10:00am Adult Ed Class 11:00am Worship 6:30pm NA	 <b>Career Closet</b> Need <u>men's extra large dress clothes, shirts, suits,</u> <u>size 18 and up, men's belts, and men's cuff links.</u>					

The deadline for next week's bulletin is Tuesday,  
January 26 at 12:00 pm via email at [secretary@fortstreet.org](mailto:secretary@fortstreet.org)



Attendance for:  
January 17, 2016: 40  
January 18, 2015: 56

Want to become a  
member of Fort  
Street?

Contact Pastor Bob  
at the church.  
313-961-4533, ext 104 or  
[pastor@fortstreet.org](mailto:pastor@fortstreet.org)



**Calling All Singers**

All are invited!  
Join the Worship Choir. The  
choir will sing/rehearse in  
the sanctuary on the **2nd  
and 4th Sundays at  
9:30am for the 11:00am service.**  
**ALL are welcome!**



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**Sacrament of Baptism**

If you would like to celebrate The Sacrament of Baptism for your-  
self or your child, please make an appointment with Pastor Bob at  
[pastor@fortstreet.org](mailto:pastor@fortstreet.org) or 313-961-4533 ext#104.

**INTERESTED IN SINGING?**



Detroit's historic Fort Street Chorale  
welcomes singers as it prepares for its  
Spring Concert 2016.

Registration will be open through  
January 28, 2016 **at 6:30pm.**  
Rehearsals start at **7:30pm.**

**No audition is necessary.**

Fort Street Chorale rehearses at Fort Street Presbyterian  
Church, 631 W. Fort St. (corner of Fort and Third) Free,  
secure parking is available in the church parking lot. For  
information call 313-961-4533.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul! Psalm 146:1