

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**May 10, 2015**

**A Meditation before Worship**

“Train up a child in the way he should go;  
even when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Teach a child how he should live,  
and he will remember it all his life.

Train children in the right way,  
and when old, they will not stray.”

Proverbs 22:6

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# Gathering the Community

ORGAN PRELUDE

Ray Staroscik  
Organist

WELCOME

Ruth Boyce

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Ruth Boyce

Leader: It says in I Thessalonians 5: 16

**People:** “**Rejoice always,**

Leader: Pray without ceasing,

**People:** **Give thanks in all circumstances**

Leader: For this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”

**All:** **Let us worship the God of joy;  
the God who listens;  
the God who abundantly blesses us.**

\*HYMN # 487 (PH)

*“When Morning Gilds the Skies”*

COMMUNITY PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ruth Boyce

**O Lord, we all have mothers and fathers. But we don’t always appreciate what they have done for us. Sometimes we only remember the times that they disciplined us. We are who we are because of those who mothered us and fathered us, whether positive or negative. Help us to use those experiences to inform our own behavior in caring for the children in our lives. Make us good role models. Let us be like Jesus as He “loved the little children.” Amen.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS *(in silence)*

RESPONSE IN SONG # 341 (PH)

*“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!” (V.1)*

THE ASSURANCE

Rev. Davis

RESPONSE IN SONG # 341 (PH)

*“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!” (V.2 and 3)*

\*SHARING THE PEACE

Ruth Boyce

The Peace of the Living Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

## THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 6: 5-7

*(p. 157 in pew Bibles)*

Ruth Boyce

God’s Word for us. **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Judith Sheldon

ANTHEM

*“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”*  
The Worship Choir  
Edward Kingins, Music Director

- R.H. Prichard

SECOND GOSPEL READING

Matthew 18: 1-6  
*(p. 18 in pew Bibles)*  
God’s Word for us. **Thanks be to God.**

Rev. Davis

COMMUNION MEDITATION

**“Taking Care of the Children”**

Rev. Dr. Roxie Ann Davis

## THE RESPONSE

\*AN AFFIRMATION *(in unison)* *“Apostles’ Creed –Ecumenical”*  
*(Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say:)*

Ruth Boyce

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*HYMN # 513 (PH)

*“Let Us Break Bread Together”*

OUR OFFERING TO GOD

*(Loose offering will be used by the Deacons for their work.)*

OFFERTORY

*(All Elders who are serving communion, please come forward during the offertory.)*

Ray Staroscik

\*RESPONSE # 607

*“Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow”*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Rev. Davis

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*( the prayer continues..)*

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.**

BREAKING OF BREAD

POURING OF CUP

ORGAN MEDITATION

Ray Staroscik

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*(Communion will be passed in the pews. Please hold the bread and cup to wait so we may partake together.)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Bless the Lord, O my soul;

**and all that is within me,**

**bless God's holy name!**

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**and forget not all God's benefits.**

\*HYMN # 304 *(PH)*

*"Jesus Loves Me"*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. Davis

ORGAN POSTLUDE

*(Please sit quietly enjoying the postlude as part of your worship experience)*

Ray Staroscik

Organist

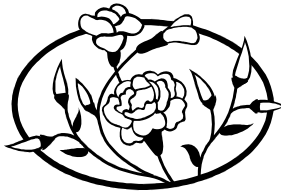
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\*You are invited to rise in body or spirit at your discretion

Thank you for gathering with us for worship this morning. Following worship, refreshments will be served in the Keely Commons. Please join us!

We welcome back with us, the Rev. Dr. Roxie Davis, who has been a pastor for 38 years. In those 38 years she has been co-pastor with her husband, Rev. Dr. Bill Davis, before retiring in September of 2013. Roxie and Bill were co-pastors for 11 years at the First Presbyterian Church in Mount Clemens, Michigan. They have served churches in Massachusetts, Iowa, Indiana, Nebraska and Michigan. Roxie earned her Bachelors Degree in Recreation from San Jose State University with a specialty in music and drama; her Masters of Divinity degree from Andover Newton Seminary, outside of Boston; and her Doctor of Ministry degree at Ecumenical Theological Seminary in Detroit, Michigan.

Bill and Roxie have three children and two grandchildren. Their two daughters currently live in Tanzania, Africa and in Colombia, South America and their son lives in Texas. Because their children have lived all over the world, Bill and Roxie have been on seven continents and experienced 27 different countries. Roxie has a lot of joy in her life because she has been blessed abundantly by God. She loves to serve God in many different ways.



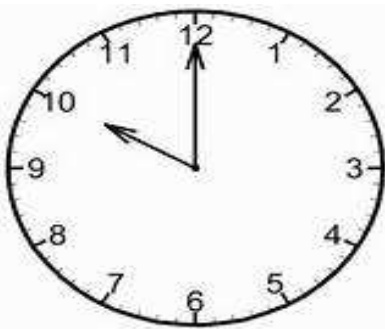
Sanctuary flowers are from Robb and Pam Sharrow, in memory of all women who have been mothers, daughters, sisters, wives... and, in honor of all women who are mothers, daughters, sisters, wives. Especially those at Fort Street!

Liturgist  
Acolyte  
Sound Technician  
Videographer  
Worship Coordinator

Ruth Boyce  
Emeka Uduma  
Nancy Jackson  
Randy Commissaris  
Beth Brown

### A NOTE ABOUT OUR HYMNALS

To clarify which hymnal we are using for a particular hymn, please note that when (PH) follows the hymn number, we are singing from *The Presbyterian Hymnal* (blue). When (GTG) follows the hymn number, we are singing from *Glory to God* (new, purple hymnal). At this time, we have a limited number of new hymnals, so please share with someone sitting near you. You will receive *Glory to God* when you enter the sanctuary. Please return this hymnbook to the Narthex as you leave the sanctuary.



The church returns to its summer schedule time change on next Sunday, **May 31, 2015, 10:00am**. Mark your calendar!

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

- Large Print Hymnals
- Hearing Assist System
- Wheelchair Access Ramp
- Wheelchair Seating--locations available in the sanctuary
- Handicap Restroom--using elevator to second floor

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

- \* Visit the information and display tables in the Church House.
- \* Large print bulletins and hymnals are available.
- \* Capable and loving nursery attendants are ready to care for little ones through age 4 during the service. Ask an usher for directions.
- \* A tape recording and CDs of today's service and/or previous services may be ordered in the Church House 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. The church office will contact you for your floral dedication.

**Prayer List for the month of May 2015**

Laura Anderson, Don/Lois Bardwell, Lynne Bieniek, Derek/Maxine Bloodworth, Bettie Burton, Lorraine/Harrison Coleman family, Jason Drakeford, the Euchre's family, FSPC, Fuller family, Carol Gadye, Shannon Howard, Geraldine Adams Jones, Valerie Kimbrough, Irene/Mark Larson and family, Lemus family, Karen Marcil, Kyla Moran, Leigh Mosley, Cheryl Myers, Jerry Naragon, John Neuman, Claudia Novitzsky, Derrick Parker/family, Margaret Parker, Kathy Payne/family, Richard Petrie, Easter Ponder, Jennie/David Poole, Robinson family, Richard/Suellen Sale family.

**Prayers for Military loved ones.**

Lt. Harrison L Coleman USN, Taylor Hansen USMC, Jonathan Heyler, SSGT Shanell Howard AFB, Sgt. Christopher King, Capt. Michael Kurtti, Lt. Theo Moran USAF, Alta Morrison, Lt. Jon Palmer USA, Lt. Marty Palmer USA, Charles Andrew Parsons II USN, USMC Captain Katy Spicer Hess, Alexander Szelestey, USMC, Lt. Mark Webster.

**FORT STREET STAFF:**

Judith Sheldon, Director of Christian Education; Ben Ogden, Director of Open Door; Edward Kingins, Music Director; Ray Staroscik, Organist; LaMonica Harris, Finance Office Temp.; Lola JF Davidson, Secretary; Kenneth McCoy, Building Engineer; Donna Bryant, Bob Haynes, Parking Security; Marilyn Moore, Karen Wright, Donlin Center Staff; Stacey Kershaw, Johnnie Hester, Cheryl Glidden, Open Door Staff.


**Pastor Emeritus:** The Rev. Dr. Robert H. Crilley  
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# Fort Street News

## Week of May 10, 2015

### 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.*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri 1	Sat 2
<b>May 2015</b> 5-2-15					11-3 Open Door Inspirational Café 8:00-9:00 AA	<b>9-12 Chorale Rehearsal</b> 5:30 p.m. AA 8:00 AI-Non
<b>3</b> 10:00 Adult Ed 11 a.m. Worship 3:00 Chorale Spring Concert 6:30 p.m. NA	<b>4</b> <b>Church Offices Closed</b>  7:00 p.m. Facilities Wrk Ngt	<b>5</b> 8:30 Clothes Sort 12-2 Career Clst 8:00-9:00 AA	<b>6</b> 7:00 Session mtg	<b>7</b> 9-11 Open Door 12:30 Open Dr. Mtg 6:00 Wedding Rehearsal/Dinner	<b>8</b> 11-3 Open Door Inspirational Café 8:00-9:00 AA	<b>9</b> <b>Wedding</b> 5:30 pm AA 8:00 AI-Non
<b>10</b> 10:00 Adult Ed 11a.m. Worship, (Communion) 6:30 p.m. NA	<b>11</b> <b>Church Offices Closed</b>  7:00 p.m. Facilities Wrk Ngt	<b>12</b> 8:30 Clothes Sort 12-2 Career Clst 8:00-9:00 AA	<b>13</b> 1:30 Staff mtg	<b>14</b> 9-11 Open Door  6:00 Chorale Annual Potluck/Meeting	<b>15</b> 11-3 Open Door Inspirational Café 6:00 Wedding Rehearsal  8:00-9:00 AA	<b>16</b> <b>3:00 Wedding</b> 5:30 p.m. AA 8:00 AI-Non
<b>17</b> 10:00 Adult Ed 11a.m. Worship 6:30 p.m. NA	<b>18</b> <b>Church Offices Closed</b>  7:00 p.m. Facilities Wrk Ngt	<b>19</b> 8:30 Clothes Sort 12-2 Career Clst 8:00-9:00 AA	<b>20</b> <b>No meetings scheduled</b>	<b>21</b> 9-11 Open Door	<b>22</b> 11-3 Open Door Inspirational Café 6:00 Wedding Rehearsal 8:00-9:00 AA	<b>23</b> 5:30 p.m. AA 8:00 AI-Non
<b>24</b> 10:00 Adult Ed 11a.m. Worship 3:00 Wedding 6:30 p.m. NA	<b>25</b> <b>Church Offices Closed</b>  7:00 p.m. Facilities Wrk Ngt	<b>26</b> 8:30 Clothes Sort 12-2 Career Clst 8:00-9:00 AA	<b>27</b> 1:30 Staff mtg 6:00 Fiscal Op. 6:00 Personnel 7:00 Deacons mtg	<b>28</b> 9-11 Open Door 6:00 Wedding Rehearsal	<b>29</b> 11-3 Open Door Inspirational Café 3:00 Wedding 6:00 Wedding Rehearsal 8:00-9:00 AA	<b>30</b> <b>3:00 Wedding</b> 5:30 p.m. AA 8:00 AI-Non
<b>31</b> 10:00 am Worship 11:30 5th Sunday Potluck 6:30 p.m. NA	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p><b>Career Closet</b></p> <p>Need women's dress clothes, sizes 18 &amp; up. Also need men's extra large dress clothes, shirts, size 18 and up, men's belts, men's cuff links, men's shoes, size 11 and all sizes.</p> </div> </div>					



### 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. Guests 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.

The deadline for next week's bulletin is Tuesday, May 12, at 12:00 pm.

**Attendance for:**  
**May 3, 2015: 40**  
**May 4, 2014: 48**

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Psalms 60:1-2

Short documentaries and informal discussion in the Stapleton Chapel, 10:00 A.M.

## *Walking by Faith, Not by Sight* *Meaning in a Moment*

**April 19 JOY**

Prayer and Presence in Logan Park

**April 26 LINDSAY**

Classroom Learning and Loving

**May 3 JAMES**

Facebook, Family and Faith

**May 10 DAWN**

Motherhood is an Unexpected Gift

**May 17 POR**

Fingernails and Faith in Thailand

Christina Living Series hosted by Spiritual Life Committee and Guest Facilitators.  
Contact Nancy Jackson or Judith Sheldon with questions or suggestions.

*"Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ."*

Galatians 6: 2