

Christ the King/Reign of Christ

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Fort Street Presbyterian Church

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Gathering the Community

PRELUDE

"Now Thank We All Our God"
Marilyn Biery, Organist /Music Director

J.S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hedi Mulford

CALL TO WORSHIP

God reigns; let the earth be glad. God's word is the truth; let all people rejoice!

We bow before God strength and majesty; we come in awe before God most high.

Grace and peace to you from the One who is and was and is to come.

God's rule is from everlasting and forevermore. The kingdoms of the world will become the Kingdom of our Lord and Christ, and he shall reign for ever and ever.

*HYMN # 263

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

CORONATION

*CALL OF CONFESSION

Hedi Mulford

In the image of Christ, we were created.

In the spirit of Christ the King, we are knit together.

In the body of Christ, we are reborn.

In the love of Christ, we are reconciled and discover peace.

In that spirit, let us join together in our unison prayer of confession.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Hedi Mulford

Almighty God, our lives become scattered and loyalties fragmented when we fail to seek first your kingdom and righteousness. Self concern rather than your will causes us to turn from you. Christ says, "Follow me", but too often our discipleship is halfhearted and our worship lacking in passion and expectation. We pray for forgiveness and healing. Turn us around. Claim us for your purposes that we may live by faith, walk in hope, and be renewed in love under the one Lordship of Jesus Christ who is our peace. Amen.

*SILENT CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Timm

*RESPONSE SONG # 616

"Our God Is an Awesome God"

AWESOME GOD

*SHARING THE PEACE

Hedi Mulford

The Peace of the Living Christ be with you.

And also with you.

THE WORD

SPECIAL TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

SONG FOR ILLUMINATION # 288 *"Spirit of the Living God"* *LIVING GOD*

PSALM READING: Psalm 95:1-7 Hedi Mulford
(p.520 in pew Bibles)
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM "All Praise and Thanks To God" J.S. Bach
The Worship Choir

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Jeremiah 23:1-6 Rev. Timm
(p.681 in pew Bibles)
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Colossians 1:11-20 Rev. Timm
(pp.188-89 in pew Bibles)
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON **"A SURE AND LASTING PEACE"** The Rev. Dr. Allen D. Timm

THE RESPONSE

*HYMN # 265 *"Jesus Shall Reign Where're the Sun"* DUKE STREET

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*A Brief Statement of Faith*) Hedi Mulford

**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.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain**

**and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.
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

"Simple Gifts"
Nancy Combs, soloist

Traditional

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE # 606 *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

OLD HUNDREDDTH

**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

Hedi Mulford

*HYMN # 268

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

DIADEMATA

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

(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 small dining area. Please join us!

Organist/Music Director
Soloist
Choir
Liturgist

Marilyn Biery
Nancy Combs
The Worship Choir
Hedi Mulford

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. or Nancy Jackson at nancymottershawjackson@gmail.com.
- * 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 November 2016

Gabrielle Abrego, Don and Lois Bardwell, Lynne Bieniek, Lorraine and Harrison Coleman, Jerry Johnson and family, Geraldine Adams Jones, Valorie Kimbrough, Virginia Lorimer, Kathy Payne and family, Jane Petrie, Bob Ponder, Richard and Suellen Sale, Sabrina Smith and family.

Prayers for Military loved ones.

(We are seeking to update our Military Roll. Please contact the church office with any changes.)

Lt. Harrison L Coleman USN; Jonathan Heyler USN; SSGT Shanell Howard USAF; Maj. Michael Kurtti USAF; Capt. Theo Moran USAF; Major Katy Spicer USMC; Lt. Mark Webster USAF.

FORT STREET STAFF:

Alison Grosch, Operations Manager; Judith Sheldon, Director of Christian Education; John Glover, Director of Open Door; Marilyn Biery, Director of Music/Organist; Edward Kingins, Director of Music Emeritus, Lola JF Davidson, Secretary; Loretta Stanton, Wedding Coordinator; Jerry Johnson, Building Engineer, Damien Hines, Custodian; Karen Wright, Donlin Center 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.*

MUSIC AT FORT STREET

Handel's Messiah

**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 3 & 4, 2016**

3:00 PM

**Featuring the Fort Street Chorale
and Chamber Orchestra
under the direction of
Marilyn Biery, Music Director**

General Admission Tickets \$20.00


Patron Tickets \$35.00

**Group Tickets \$15.00
(minimum of 10)**





Our music director, Marilyn Biery, and her husband James Biery, will be featured on the nationally syndicated organ program, Pipedreams, which originates from Minnesota Public Radio. For more information, or to see the listing, visit <http://pipedreams.publicradio.org/> Under the search option, search for program 1647, Minnesota Memories, in Thanksgiving. The program will be released online November 21, and can be listened to online, or you can hear the broadcast on WRCJ 90.9 Sunday afternoon November 27 beginning at 2 pm. These recordings are from the Bierys' days as music directors at the Cathedral of St. Paul in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Sun	Mon	Tue 1	Wed 2	Thu 3	Fri 4	Sat 5
		8:30am Clothes Sort 12-2pm Career Clst 6:00 Ad Hoc mtg 8:00-9:00pm AA	2:00pm Staff mtg 7:00 Session	9-11am Open Door 4:30 Wedding Rehearsal 7:30 Chorale Rehearsal	Church Offices Closed 3:00 Wedding 4:30 Wedding Rehearsal	Elders/Deacons Retreat (postponed) 2:30pm Wedding 5:30pm AA 8:00pm Al-Non
6 9:30am Worship Choir 9:45am Adult Ed 11:00am Worship, 12:30pm 1st Sunday Luncheon Grp 6:30pm NA	7	8:30am Clothes Sort 12-2pm Career Clst 6:00 Ad Hoc mtg 8:00-9:00pm AA	2:00pm Staff mtg 11:00 Funeral of Wilhelmina Bell (Sister of Jerry Johnson) 2:00-3:30pm Gathering service for Juanita Smith	10 9-11am Open Door 6:30 Chorale Council mtg 7:30 Chorale Rehearsal	11 Church Offices Closed 8:00-9:00pm AA	12 5:30pm AA 8:00pm Al-Non
13 9:30 am Worship Choir 9:45am Adult Ed 11:00am Worship, (Communion) 6:30pm NA Celebration Sunday	14	8:30am Clothes Sort 12-2pm Career Clst 6:00 Ad Hoc mtg 8:00-9:00pm AA	16 2:00pm Staff mtg 6:00 Fiscal Mtg	17 9-11am Open Door 11:30 Open Dr. mtg 1:15pm Church Tour 7:30 Chorale Rehearsal	18 Church Offices Closed 6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal 8:00-9:00pm AA	19 2:30pm Wedding 5:30pm AA 8:00pm Al-Non
20 9:30am Worship Choir 9:45am Adult Ed 11:00am Worship, 12:30pm, P& J mtg 12:30pm Deacons to pack Thanksgiving baskets in Gym 6:30pm NA Risers go up	21 7:00-10:00pm Chorale Rehearsal	8:30am Clothes Sort 12-2pm Career Clst 6:00 Ad Hoc mtg 8:00-9:00pm AA	2:00pm Staff mtg 6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal	24 Church Offices and Open Door Closed for Holiday 	25 Church Offices Closed 5:30pm Wedding 3:00pm Wedding Rehearsal 8:00-9:00pm AA	26 2:00pm Wedding 5:30pm AA 8:00pm Al-Non
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CHURCH NOMINATING COMMITTEE

One of the treasured joys and responsibilities of belonging to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is the election of our officers and leaders. Your Nominating Committee, made up of two Elders, one Deacon and four at-large members, is commissioned to select candidates for the offices of Elder and Deacon and for the at-large members of 2016-17 Nominating Committee. These names will be brought forward at the Annual Congregational Meeting. The committee would appreciate any suggestions you might have for nominees. When nominating please take in consideration the following:

CHURCH INVOLVEMENT

- Regular worship attendance
- Financial support of church
- Participation in church activities
- Offices held
- Services rendered

CHRISTIAN LIVING IN DAILY LIFE

- Within the family
- At work
- In the community

PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS AND SKILLS

- Freedom and willingness to attend meetings
- Cooperativeness
- Openness to learn
- Ability to follow through
- Maturity in judgment
- Readiness to listen

Four words that might sum up the above are Commitment, Faithfulness, Willingness and Openness. On the basis of these, I suggest the name(s) of:

Please place next to those names your recommendation for the office or position they might serve. Thank you for your assistance. Please turn in your nominations as soon as possible. They may be placed in the offering plate on Sunday morning or mailed to the church marked "Attention Nominating Committee." Thank you for your assistance in this vital matter.