



FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

April 2, 2017

Thought for Individual Meditation

*This is the beginning of a new day.
God has given us this day to use as we will.
We can waste it or use it for good.
What we do today is very important
because we are exchanging a day of our life for it.
When tomorrow comes, this day will be gone forever,
leaving something in its place we have traded for it.
Let it be for gain not a loss, good not evil,
success not failure, in order that we shall not
regret the price we paid for it.*

(Heartsill Wilson, adapted)

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Gathering the Community

PRELUDES	<i>"Two Antiphons"</i> Marilyn Biery, Music Director/Organist	Marcel Dupré
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Dr. Bob Agnew
MINUTE FOR MISSION		Camille Cooke
PRESENTATION	<i>Community Quilt</i>	Nancy Jennings
CALL TO WORSHIP		Camille Cooke
Sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done marvelous things. (Psalm 98:1a)		
God who gives us life offers us a new birth—a new way.		
No one can see the kingdom of God without being born anew. (John 3:3)		
If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation; everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new. (II Corinthians 5:17)		
*HYMN # 361	<i>"O Christ, the Great Foundation"</i> vs. 1 & 2	AURELIA
*PRAYER OF CONFESSION		Camille Cooke
God of new beginnings, forgive us when we fail to be open to your promise of newness. Sometimes we are slow of heart to believe all you have in store for us and your church. Create in us clean hearts and put a new and right spirit within us. Help us to live as your creations open to new possibilities. Grant us forgiveness for past, the courage to begin again, and the living hope of Jesus the Christ, our Lord and Savior.		
*SILENT CONFESSION		
*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON		
*RESPONSE SONG # 447	<i>"We Are Forgiven"</i>	WE ARE FORGIVEN
*SHARING THE PEACE		Camille Cooke
The Peace of the Living Christ be with you. And also with you.		
THE WORD		
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS		Catherine Nichols Andrew Nichols Latress London Nichols
HYMN # 306	<i>"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"</i> vs. 1	DENNIS

SPECIAL TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

SONG FOR ILLUMINATION # 695 *"Change My Heart O God"* CHANGE MY HEART

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 96:1-9 Camille Cooke
(p.520-21 in pew Bibles)
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *"No One Has Condemned You"* James Biery
No one has condemned you, nor do I. Go and sin no more.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Acts 9:1-9, 18-21a, Dr. Bob Agnew
(pp.119-20 in pew Bibles)
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON **"TO BEGIN AGAIN"** Dr. Bob Agnew

SERMON TEXT: *"Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him."* (Acts 9:3)

THE RESPONSE

*HYMN # 297 *"In Christ Called to Baptize"* vs. 1 & 2 ST. DENIO

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OF THE PLEDGES AND GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY *"We Are on Holy Ground"* David Haas
(Refrain)

Here in this place may hope be found. Deep in our hearts may love abound. We are here in the presence of God. We are on holy ground. (Verses) May your presence make us pause; may your vision be our cause. May the gifts that we enjoy find a way to sing your joy. May your calling be the way; may we always teach and pray. May the ones now in our care be the center of our prayer.

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

**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 Camille Cooke

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION (BREAD AND CUP)

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

(All who believe in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome to his table. Communion will be received by intinction, with congregants taking a piece of bread to dip into the cup. Please come forward down the center aisle, and return to your seat by walking to the right or the left. If you would like to have the communion elements brought to you, please inform one of the ushers.)

ORGAN MEDITATION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this holy meal, united us in Christ, and have given us a foretaste of the glory to come. Strengthen us now in your service that our daily living may show our thanks, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN #309

"Come, Great God of All the Ages" vs. 1 & 3

ABBOT'S LEIGH

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

"How Fair and How Pleasant Art Thou"

Marcel Dupré

(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!

About today's organ music: Marcel Dupré (1886-1971) was a noted French organist and composer who wrote numerous works for organ. He taught at the Paris Conservatoire and was titular organist at St. Sulpice in Paris, succeeding Charles-Marie Widor. The set of fifteen pieces based on antiphons were originally improvised; the managing director of Rolls-Royce heard them in Paris in 1919 and was so impressed he commissioned Dupré to write them down and bankrolled their publication.

Music Director/Organist	Marilyn Biery
Choir	The Worship Choir
Liturgist	Camille Cooke
Sound Tech	Nancy Jackson
Worship Coordinator	Pam Sharrow

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 April 2017

Gabrielle Abrego, Don and Lois Bardwell, Lynne Bieniek, Lorraine and Harrison Coleman, Bobbie Edwards and family, Iola Jackson, Geraldine Adams Jones, Valorie Kimbrough, Devon Marcil, The Mulford family, Kathy Payne and family, Jane Petrie, Lucas and Richard Stump, and Larry Tierney.

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

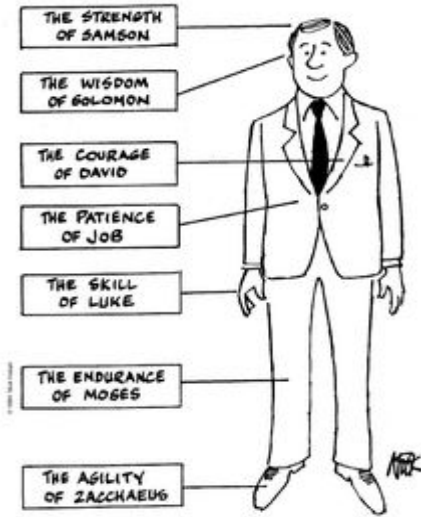
MISSION STATEMENT

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.*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
APRIL 2017						1 10:00am-12:30pm (kitchen) Confirmation Class 5:30pm AA 8:30pm-10:00pm Al-Non
2 9:30 Worship Choir 9:45am Adult Ed 11:00am. Worship, (Communion) 12:30pm Coffee Hour for Bob and Diane Agnew 6:30pm NA	3	4 8:30am Clothes Sort 12-2pm Career Closet 8:00-9:00pm AA	5 2:00pm Staff mtg 11:30am Church Tour 7:00 Session (Confirmation youth received)	6 9-11 am Open Door	7 Church Offices Closed 8:00 Brass Band Concert 8:00-9:00pm AA Confirmation youth sleepover 7-8	8 11:00 Memorial Service for Hedi Mulford 5:30pm AA 8:30pm-10:00pm Al-Non
9 9:30 Worship Choir 11:00am. Worship, (Confirmation youth are received) 12:30pm Worship Arts mtg (Upper Rm) 6:30pm NA Confirmation Sunday and Coffee Hour	10	11 8:30am Clothes Sort 12-2pm Career Closet 8:00-9:00pm AA	12 2:00pm Staff mtg	13 9-11 am Open Door 12:15 Bible Study w/ Peter Henry No Maundy Thursday Service	14 Church Offices Closed 12:15pm Good Friday Service 1:00pm Egg Filling Brunch 8:00-9:00pm AA	15 5:30pm AA 8:30pm-10:00pm Al-Non
16 9:30 Worship Choir 9:00am Easter Breakfast 10:00am Petting Zoo and Egg Hunt 11:00am. Worship 12:00 Balloon Launch 6:30pm NA	17 Church Offices Closed	18 8:30am Clothes Sort 12-2pm Career Closet 8:00-9:00pm AA	19 2:00pm Staff mtg 6:00 Fiscal Op. mtg	20 9-11 am Open Door 11:30am Open Dr. mtg 6:30pm Chorale Council mtg	21 Church Offices Closed 8:00-9:00pm AA	22 5:30pm AA 8:30pm-10:00pm Al-Non
23 9:30 Worship Choir 11:00am. Worship 6:30pm NA	24	25 8:30am Clothes Sort 12-2pm Career Closet 8:00-9:00pm AA	26 2:00pm Staff mtg 6:00pm Deacons mtg 6:30pm Personnel	27 9-11 am Open Door	28 Church Offices Closed 8:00-9:00pm AA	29 5:30pm AA 8:30pm-10:00pm Al-Non
30 9:30 Worship Choir 9:45 Adult Ed 11:00am. Worship 12:30pm 5th Sunday Potluck 12:30pm Movie hosted by PJM 6:30pm NA						

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known upon the earth. Psalm 67:1-3a

The Ideal Pastor



On Today, April 2 following the morning service there will be a special coffee hour in honor of Pastor Robert Agnew, who is ending his tenure as Fort Street's stated supply pastor.

Please join us as we thank Bob for his service and wish him and Diane well in their future endeavors. We will miss them!

Meaning in a Moment 2017

Christian Adult Education,
Stapleton Chapel
9:45am – 10:45 a.m.

April 9, 16, and 23
Class not held on April 9, 16, or 23

"From Jesus to Christ"
begins April 30, 2017

All Are Welcome!

MARRIAGE ANYONE 2017?

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



Join us for Easter Week at Fort Street

Palm Sunday, April 9, 2017

Worship service at 11:00 a.m.
begins with Palm Processional.
Confirmation Class of 2017.

Celebratory Coffee Hour
follows worship in the
Great Hall.



Good Friday

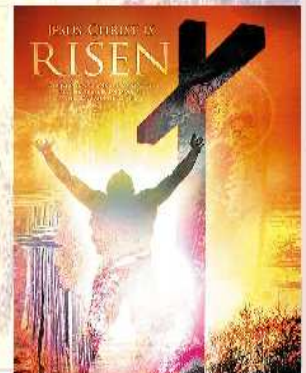
Service at 12:15 In
Stapleton Chapel.

Brunch in Donlin
Center follows, for
egg-hunt preparation.
All welcome.



Easter Sunday

9:00 Breakfast in
Keely Commons
10:00 Petting Zoo in
Gym
10:40 Egg Hunt in
Donlin Center
11:00 Worship
12:00 Outdoor
Balloon Release



Career Closet

Is in need of extra large
men suits and shirts.



Sacrament of Baptism

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



Easter Flower Order Form



In preparation for Easter Sunday, **April 16, 2017**, you are invited to order flowers In Memory or In Honor of loved ones or other special designations. Please complete this form and mail or bring it to the church office with your payment enclosed by no later than **Sunday, April 9, 2017**. Make checks payable to, Fort Street Presbyterian Church with a memo stating it is for Easter Flowers.

Following Easter Worship you may take your flowers home after the service. Flowers remaining will be used by our Board of Deacons for Shut-Ins. Thank you for helping us celebrate the Resurrection.



Indicate what you would like printed in the Easter Bulletin.
(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY)

Given by: _____

In loving memory of:

In honor of:

___ Pot (s) Spring Flower @ \$18.00ea.= _____

Your Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____

Place forms in secretary's mail box in the front office or in the offering plate.