

11th Sunday after Pentecost

August 9, 2015

Meditation before Worship

How much do we want the fullness of life God wants for us?

If with everything we have and everything we are,
we want what God has for us, we shall have it—
the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation.

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Gathering the Community

PRELUDE Ray Staroscik
Organist

WELCOME Dr. Bob Agnew

CALL TO WORSHIP (Bold print indicates congregation's participation)

Jack Callas

Come away from the noise of the world to a quiet place near to the heart of God, to sit and learn from the words of Jesus.

Through Christ, the Bread of Life, none go hungry, but all find food for the heart, mind and soul.

I pray then that according to the riches of God in glory, that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through the Spirit and that you may be filled with the fullness of God.

(Ephesians 3:16a, 19b)

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.

(Matthew 6:6)

O taste and see that the Lord is good! Happy are those who take refuge in him." (Psalm 34:8) Give us this day our daily bread. (Matthew 6:11)

*HYMN # 65 (GTG) "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

This morning all hymns and songs can be found in the purple Glory to God (GTG) hymnals. We have limited copies of Glory to God, so they are given to worshippers as they enter the sanctuary. If you did not receive one, please contact an usher. We would also appreciate if you would return this hymnal (GTG) to the Narthex as you leave worship.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jack Callas

O God, when we let you touch the dark places within us, we are moved to tears of remorse. Again and again we violate the best you intend for us pursuing our own whims and desires. We spend too much time laboring for the food that perishes while ignoring the Bread of Life. Have mercy upon us. Feed us with the Bread that is eternal. Unite us in faithful response to your saving activity in Jesus Christ.

***SILENT CONFESSION**

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Response Song # 614 (GTG)

"Great Are You, Lord"

Great are you, Lord: you are holy and just; by your power we trust in your love.
Great are you, Lord: you are faithful and true; by your mercy you prove you are love.
Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great are you, Lord. We lift up our voice; we lift up our voice:
Great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!

*Sharing the Peace Jack Callas

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

THE WORD

SPECIAL TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

SONG FOR ILLUMINATION # 288 (GTG) "Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 107: 1-9 Jack Callas

(p.528 in pew Bibles)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

ANTHEM

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: John 6:35,41-51

(p.92 in pew Bibles)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

SERMON "THE BREAD OF LIFE" Dr. Bob Agnew

SERMON TEXT: John 6:35

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

THE RESPONSE

*HYMN # 515 (GTG) "I Come with Joy" (Vs. 1-3)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (From "A Brief Statement of Faith") Jack Callas

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,

everywhere the giver and renewer of life,

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,

sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers

In the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit

who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism.

feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks, and to live holy and joyful lives.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OF THE GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

*Doxology # 606 (GTG) "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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

Jack Callas

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, for ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION (BREAD AND CUP)

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP (Bread is gluten free)

(Communion is open to all who believe in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. This morning it will be by distribution. Please remain seated. **Eat the bread together at the invitation of the pastor**, symbolizing our unity in Christ as the Fellowship of Believers. **Drink the cup when you receive it,** symbolizing our personal relationship with Jesus Christ.)

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 # 526 (GTG) "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

*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.)

*Please rise in body, mind, or spirit.

Thank you for gathering with us for worship this morning. Following worship, there will be served a coffee hour in the small dining area. Please join us!

Organist Ray Staroscik
Liturgist Jack Callas

Song Leader Nancy Combs
Sound Technician Nancy Jackson

Videographer Randy Commissaris

Worship Coordinator Kate Callas

Open Door Representative Elizabeth Kershaw

Church Hours

The church offices are open on Mondays from 8-3, Tuesdays and Thursdays 8-5:00pm, Wednesday 8-7:00 p.m. Church offices are closed on Fridays.

Ushers are available to provide assistance with particular needs:

Large Print Blue 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 narthex.
- * During the worship service, child care is provided for children through age 4. Ushers can provide directions.
- * 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. The church office will contact you for your floral dedication.

Prayer List for the month of August 2015

Gabrielle Abrego, Don and Lois Bardwell, Lynne Bieniek, Derek and Maxine Bloodworth, Bettie Burton, Lorraine and Harrison Coleman, Tom Edwards and family, Ben Henderson, Shannon Howard, Melanie Jackson, Geraldine Adams Jones, Valerie Kimbrough, Karen Marcil, Marilyn Moore, Cheryl Myers, Mary Jo and Jerry Naragon, Kathy Payne and family, Easter Ponder, Richard and Suellen Sale, Ray Staroscik and family, Linda Throm, and Ozi Uduma.

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:

Judith Sheldon, Director of Christian Education; Ben Ogden, Director of Open Door; Edward Kingins, Music Director; Ray Staroscik, Organist; Lola JF Davidson, Secretary; Loretta Stanton, Wedding Coordinator; Kenneth McCoy, Building Engineer; Jerry Johnson, Building Support Staff, Donna Bryant, Greg Howell, Parking Security; Marilyn Moore, Karen Wright, Donlin Center Staff; Stacey Kershaw, Johnnie Hester, Cheryl Tarpley, 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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The deadline for next week's bulletin is Tuesday, Aug. 11 at 12:00 pm.

Fort Street News

Week of August 9, 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.

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 NEW DIRECTORIES 2015 ARE HERE!

The new membership directories are now available in the narthex. Contact an Usher to receive one.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Augu	st 2015				1 3:00pm Wedding 5:30pm AA 8:00pm Al-Non
2 10:00am Worship 6:30pm NA	3 Church Open 8-3pm	8:30am Clothes Sort 12-2pm Career Clst (Closed) 8:00-9:00pm AA	5 1:45pm Staff mtg 7:00pm Session mtg	6 9-11am Open Door (Closed)	7 Church Offices Closed 11-3pm Open Door Inspirational Café (Closed) 8:00-9:00pm AA	8 5:30pm AA 8:00pm Al-Non
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