



**Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

**July 20, 2014**

**A Meditation before Worship**

**Fort Street's presence in the city:**

A Spiritual Beacon in Downtown Detroit

A Spiritual Oasis in Downtown Detroit

A Spiritual Home in Downtown Detroit

Welcoming All of God's Children  
to a place of safety and compassion,  
to a place of challenge and renewal

***Fort Street Presbyterian Church***

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**Gathering the Community**  
*Our focus during the summer months:*  
*“Making space for the Spirit to move powerfully”*

PRELUDE Ray Staroscik  
Organist

WELCOME Paul Winslow

INTROIT Ray Staroscik

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Paul Winslow

One: Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**Many: Maker of heaven and earth.**

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;  
**Many: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

One: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
**All: Worship the Lord with gladness.**  
**Come into God’s presence with singing!**

\*HYMN # 469 *“Morning Has Broken”*

COMMUNITY PRAYER OF CONFESSION Paul Winslow

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS *(in silence)*

RESPONSE IN SONG # 316 *“Breathe on Me, Breath of God” (v. 1)*

THE ASSURANCE Pamela Hutchens

RESPONSE IN SONG # 316 *“Breathe on Me, Breath of God” (v. 2)*

\*SHARING THE PEACE Paul Winslow

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

**THE WORD**

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Paul Winslow

Romans 8: 11 - 25  
*(pp. 147-148 in pew Bible)*  
God’s Word for us. **Thanks be to God.**

PRAYERS WITH THE CHILDREN

SECOND READING

Matthew 13: 24 - 30, 36 - 43  
(*p. 14 in pew Bible*)  
God's Word for us. **Thanks be to God.**

Pamela Hutchens

ANTHEM

Ray Staroscik

SERMON

**"Social Security or Spiritual Security?"**

Pamela Hutchens

\*HYMN # 322

*"Spirit of the Living God"*

## THE RESPONSE

\*AN AFFIRMATION

(*from The Confession of 1967*)

Paul Winslow

**We believe that God the Holy Spirit fulfills the work of reconciliation. The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church as the community in which we are reconciled to God and to one another. The Spirit enables us to receive forgiveness as we forgive one another and to enjoy the peace of God as we make peace among ourselves. We believe that in spite of our sin, the Holy Spirit gives us power to become representatives of Jesus Christ and to proclaim the good news of reconciliation to all.**

\*RESPONSE IN SONG # 316

*"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"* (v. 3)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE PRAYER JESUS TAUGHT

(*Feel free to use the language and words closest to your heart*)

Pamela Hutchens

OUR OFFERING TO GOD

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

OFFERTORY

Ray Staroscik

\*DOXOLOGY # 591

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Paul Winslow

\*HYMN # 319

*"Spirit"*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

Pamela Hutchens

POSTLUDE

Ray Staroscik

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

This morning, we welcome to the pulpit Commissioned Ruling Elder Pamela Hutchens. She is a Certified Lay Pastor after completing the CLP program through the Maumee Valley Presbytery in 2005. Pam was commissioned to Southwest United Presbyterian Church in Southwest Detroit for four years, 2006-2010 and is currently searching for where God can use her next. She lives in Taylor, and is a member of Southminster Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Mook has used the past week for continuing education and will return to the office on Tuesday.

### **SUMMER WORSHIP TIME**

Throughout the summer, worship services will begin at **10:00 a.m.** and be held in the Great Hall, which is air conditioned. Worship will return to the Sanctuary, and to the 11:00 a.m. time, on September 7. If you are visiting during the summer and would like a tour of the church, including the sanctuary, please talk with one of the ushers.

Liturgist	Paul Winslow
Acolyte	Emeka Uduma
Sound Technician	Twiler French
Videographer	Randy Commissaris
Worship Coordinator	Beth Brown

#### **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

#### **FORT STREET STAFF:**

Judith Sheldon, Director of Christian Education; Ben Ogden, Director of Open Door; Edward Kingins, Music Director; La-Monica Harris, Finance Office; 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:**

The Rev. Dr. Sharon L. Mook, Ph.D.,  
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**Pastor Emeritus:** The Rev. Dr. Robert H. Crilley

### **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.

### **Prayer List for the month of July 2014**

Dawn/Richard, Don/Lois Bardwell, Lynne Bieniek, Derek/Maxine Bloodworth family, Carla Brooks, Donna Bryant/family, The Claire family, Yvonne Cameron, Coleman family, Jason Drakeford, Rose Grosscup, Shannon Howard, Geraldine Adams Jones, Valerie Kimbrough, Lemus family, Don/Virginia Lorimer, Regan Mack, Karen Marcil, Wendi Mekins, Leigh Mosley, Cheryl Myers, Sarah Morgan, Jerry Naragon, Derrick Parker/family, Kathy Payne/family, Kevin Pearson, Richard Petrie, Easter Ponder, David Poole, Price family, Lisa Sakkab, Richard/Suellen Sale family, David Shillito, Benjamin Solomons/family, Turner family, Wanda Sumner, Patricia Walsh.