



**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 10, 2014**

A Meditation before Worship

Peter asked, "Can anyone withhold the water
for baptizing these people
who have received the Holy Spirit
just as we have?"

(Acts 10: 46b, 47 –NRSV)

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Gathering the Community

*Our focus during the summer months:
"Making space for the Spirit to move powerfully"*

PRELUDE

Shirley Muench
Pianist

WELCOME

Dr. Sharon L. Mook

INTROIT

Shirley Muench

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Cathy Topping

One: We gather in this place, once again,
hoping for an encounter with the Holy.

Many: Meet us in our worship, Holy, Loving God.

One: We come seeking the Spirit,
wanting to feel the Spirit deep within,
to be persuaded to follow the Spirit.

**Many: Spirit of the Living God, meet us in our sister, our brother.
Meet us in the stranger you bring into our lives.
Meet us in the new friend we do not yet know.**

One: We come to this place,
longing to be touched by Jesus.

**Many: Meet us at your table, Living Christ.
Give us new eyes to recognize you,
always near, but never contained, and always on the move.**

One: We are here--hoping, seeking, longing--
Children of God, looking for a place to belong,
searching for a community of love.

**All: Meet us in our worship,
Holy God, Living Christ, Spirit ever near.**

*HYMN # 515 (GG)

"I Come with Joy" (vv. 1 - 3)

COMMUNITY PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Cathy Topping

**When we avoid encounters with the Holy, when we turn from following the Jesus way,
when we block the Spirit longing to move powerfully in our lives, forgive us, set us free,
and draw us into our sacred journey.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS (in silence)

RESPONSE IN SONG # 395 (GG) *"Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"* (vv. 1 and 2)

ASSURANCE

RESPONSE IN SONG # 395 (GG) *"Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"* (v. 3)

*SHARING THE PEACE

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

Cathy Topping

THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Acts 10: 1 - 8
(pp. 120-121 in pew Bibles)
God's Word for us. **Thanks be to God.**

Cathy Topping

PRAYERS WITH THE CHILDREN

Marilyn Moore

THE SECOND READING

Acts 10: 9 - 20
(p. 120 in pew Bibles)
God's Word for us. **Thanks be to God.**

Cathy Topping

ANTHEM

Shirley Muench

COMMUNION MEDITATION

"Play Space for the Spirit"

Dr. Sharon L. Mook

*HYMN # 726 (GG)

"The Summons"

THE RESPONSE

OUR OFFERING TO GOD

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

OFFERTORY

Shirley Muench

*DOXOLOGY # 607 (GG)

**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

Cathy Topping

HYMN # 769 (GG)

"For Everyone Born" (vv. 1-3)

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Dr. Mook

COMMUNION PRAYERS

PIANO MEDITATION

Shirley Muench

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(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 chair 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. The corn tortillas on the plates are gluten free.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN # 515 (GG)

"I Come with Joy" (vv. 4 and 5)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Dr. Mook

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

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE # 408 (GG) *"There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit"* (v. 1)

POSTLUDE

Shirley Muench
Pianist

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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!

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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.

FALL ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY

Some Presbyterians, including some Fort Streeters, are questioning positions taken by the PCUSA at the recent General Assembly earlier this summer right here in Detroit. This historic Assembly left some ecstatic with what they understand as justice finally gained in the PCUSA for LGBTQ sisters and brothers. Others are wondering if we, as a denomination, have lost our scriptural grounding.

Beginning in September, you are invited to join in respectful and informed conversation about love, marriage, and sexuality with the Pastor and with others in our faith community. In our conversations, all perspectives will be respected, and all persons will be honored.

For this class, we will be using a recent book by Mark Achtemeier, who shares how and why his heart was changed when he took a personal journey of delving deeply into our scriptures. In *The Bible's Yes to Same-Sex Marriage: An Evangelical's Change of Heart*, Achtemeier explains how his in-depth study of the Bible led him from being a conservative, evangelical opponent of gay rights to becoming a strong supporter of a fully inclusive church and of same-sex marriage. As we talk about Achtemeier's new insights into the biblical message, come and discover what message God may have for you at this time in your life.

On **September 14, from 9:00 a.m. until 9:45 a.m. in the McMillan Room**, Dr. Mook will begin leading this several-week-long Bible study. You can purchase the book we will be using online from Amazon, or from The Thoughtful Christian, or reserve your copy by calling Joan Poole, Chair of the Spiritual Life Committee, or Janet Bunt, Vice-chair of the Spiritual Life Committee.

Liturgist
Acolyte
Sound Technician
Videographer
Reception Coordinator

Cathy Topping
Emeka Uduma
Nancy Jackson
Randy Commissaris
Valerie Edwards

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.

Pastor

The Rev. Dr. Sharon L. Mook, Ph.D.,
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FORT STREET STAFF:

Judith Sheldon, Director of Christian Education; Ben Ogden, Director of Open Door; Edward Kingins, Music Director; 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

Prayer List for the month of August 2014

Don/Lois Bardwell, Lynne Bieniek, Derek/Maxine Bloodworth family, Carla Brooks, The Claire family, Yvonne Cameron, Coleman family, Bobbie Edwards, Rose Grosscup, Shannon Howard, Hudson family, Geraldine Adams Jones, Valerie Kimbrough, Lemus family, Don/Virginia Lorimer, Karen Marcil, Cheryl Myers, Sarah Morgan, Jerry Naragon, Derrick Parker/family, Kathy Payne/family, Kevin Pearson, Richard Petrie, Easter Ponder, David Poole, Price family, Richard/Suellen Sale family, David Shillito, Benjamin Solomons/family, Turner family, Wanda Sumner, Patricia Walsh.

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 News

Week of August 10, 2014

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
August 2014 8-6-14					11-3 Open Door Inspirational Café 8:00-9:00 AA	5:30 p.m. AA 8:00 AI-Non
3 10 a.m. Worship 11:30 1st Sunday Luncheon Group 6:30 p.m. NA	4 Church Offices Closed 7:00 p.m. Facilities Wrk Ngt	5 12-2 Career Clst Closed 8:00-9:00 AA	6 1:30 Staff mtg No Session mtg	7 9-11 Open Door Closed 12:00 Organist search mtg	8 11-3 Open Door Inspirational Café Closed 6:00 Wedding Reh. 8:00-9:00 AA	9 Wedding 5:30 pm AA 8:00 AI-Non
10 10a.m. Worship, (Communion) 6:30 p.m. NA	11 Church Offices Closed 7:00 p.m. Facilities Wrk Ngt	12 8:30 Clothes Sort 12-2 Career Clst 8:00-9:00 AA	13 6:00 mtg	14 9-11 Open Door 2:30-6p Ruth Ellis Event	15 11-3 Open Door Inspirational Café 8:00-9:00 AA	16 5:30 p.m. AA 8:00 AI-Non
17 10a.m. Worship 6:30 p.m. NA	18 Church Offices Closed 7:00 p.m. Facilities Wrk Ngt	19 8:30 Clothes Sort 12-2 Career Clst 8:00-9:00 AA	20 6:00 mtg	21 9-11 Open Door	22 11-3 Open Door Inspirational Café 8:00-9:00 AA	23 5:30 p.m. AA 8:00 AI-Non
24 10 a.m. Worship, 6:30 p.m. NA	25 Church Offices Closed 7:00 p.m. Facilities Wrk Ngt	26 8:30 Clothes Sort 12-2 Career Clst 8:00-9:00 AA	27 6:00 Personnel mtg 6:30 Deacon's Dinner 7:00 Deacons mtg	28 9-11 Open Door	29 11-3 Open Door Inspirational Café 6:00 Wedding Reh. 8:00-9:00 AA	30 Wedding 5:30 p.m. AA 8:00 AI-Non
31 10 a.m. Worship, 6:30 p.m. NA	The deadline for next week's bulletin is Tuesday, August 12 at 12:00 pm.				Attendance for: August 3, 2014: 56 August 4, 2013: 60	



THURSDAYS 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.



Career Closet

Need women's Dress clothes, sizes 18 & up. Also need men's extra large dress clothes, shirts, size 18 and up, men's belts, men's cuff links, and all sizes.

MARRIAGE ANYONE, 2014?

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



Want to become a member of Fort Street?

Contact Rev. Sharon Mook at the church. 313-961-4533, ext 32. There are 3 ways to become a member: Letter of Transfer, Reaffirmation of Faith, and Profession of Faith. We would be delighted to welcome you as family.

THE SESSION

June 2015

Carmen Abrego
Beth Brown
Polly Curtis
Kalu Uduma

December 2015

Randy Commissaris
Thomas Edwards
Margaret Fleming
Jeannie Ledermann
Mark Topping

2016

Bette Rhee Burton
Hertha Gast
Hedi Mulford
Joan Poole
Derek Sale

BOARD OF DEACONS

June 2015

Jack Hodge
Cathy Topping
Bryan Wadlington
Tim Watts
Mary Webster

December 2015

Brittany Law
Kathy Payne
Kevin Pearson
Ava Petrie

2016

James Lemus
Amy Smith
Jesse Uduma
Amy Wolfe
James Woods

In an effort to report correct statistical information, we are requesting the following:



- **Red and White Attendance Card**– Please fill out each and every **Sunday** indicating all **names** of people attending with you. In addition, update the card with any address, telephone, fax or E-mail updates and note that it is a change.

VISITORS AND



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Visitors – Please indicate if you are a first, second, third time, or regular visitor. Place cards in offering plate or drop off in the front office.

- **Purple Prayer Request Card** Place in offering plate.
- **White Request for Custodial Services forms** are available in the front church office, for non-emergency requests. Place it in the Secretary's mailbox in the front office.
- **Congregational Giving&/or other giving envelopes -** Always put your **name** & **amount** of giving on the envelope.

The above information will enable our staff to give reports on attendance and church giving more accurately. If anyone has a complaint, concern, or request, please bring it to the attention of Rev. Sharon L. Mook by phone, fax or E-mail revdrmook@fortstreet.org

Contact Information

Has your address, cell phone number, email address or family unit changed in the past year or so? The secretary is asking for updated home and telephone information for our members and visitors. Please get any changes to the secretary at secretary@fortstreet.org or 313-961-4533.

Committees of the Session:

Community Fellowship

Derek Sale,

Facilities

Derek Sale and Mark Topping,

Fiscal

Jean Ann Ledermann, Bettie Burton and Hedi Mulford

Member Development and Outreach

Maggie Fleming and Kalu Uduma

Memorial

Joan Poole

Open Door

Hertha Gast, and Marilyn Winslow,

Peace, Justice, Mission

Margaret Fleming and Randy Commissaris

Personnel

Tom Edwards, and Polly Curtis

Public Relations and Communications

Randy Commissaris, and Mark Topping

Spiritual Life

Joan Poole, Chair and Janet Bunt

Events Coordinating

Beth Brown

Worship and Arts

Beth Brown

Committee of the Congregation:

Nominating

Kalu Uduma