

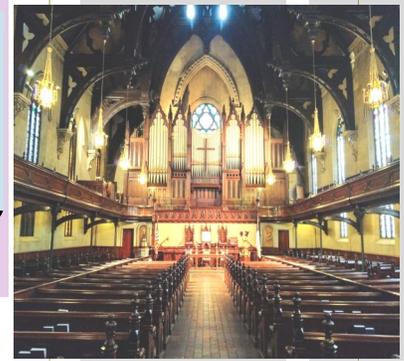
Next Month at Fort Street

April 2018

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From the Pastor's Desk....

The biggest news we have to share is that, on April 1st, we celebrate the landmark event of the Christian faith - Join us for Easter Sunday worship this Sunday, April 1, at 11:00am.

We are thrilled to be celebrating our first Easter at Fort Street next Sunday. But we are also looking beyond the empty tomb to the days ahead, and we are excited about the next steps of our journey we will be taking with you during this interim period.

Over the course of the next several months, we will be leading a "Self-study" process in the congregation. With the help of a group of Fort Streeters, we will lead the church through a time of prayerful discernment about Fort Street's ministry and what God has in store for us in the years to come.

This self study process will help us answer the questions, "What is the Gospel that Fort Street lives and proclaims? What Good News do we have to share, and how can we structure ourselves to live out that Gospel in our community and beyond?" This question will help us understand who Fort Street will become in the years to come, giving us sense of identity and purpose. It looks both inside the church - to figure out where there are areas in our own history to flesh out, and also outside, to see the changes taking place in our neighborhood. In that process, we will get new ideas of what Fort Street can work towards in the years to come. It will involve input from many places: statistics and demographics, Fort Street's history, surveys and focus groups, and more.

Although a few people may be leading the process, the work of the self-study will involve the whole congregation. Keep your eyes peeled for more opportunities to get involved in the months ahead. Your input will strengthen the process and help us more faithfully discern the future God has in store for Fort Street!

Pastors Anne and Eric

Other Announcements:

New Church Directory: We are updating the Fort Street directory with updated contact information. During Coffee Hour, stop by the table and review your information in the church's records to make sure it is accurate. Before April 22, please make sure your information is up to date! If you won't be in worship before then, you can update your records by contacting the church office at (313)961-4533 or by emailing Lola at secretary@fortstreet.org. We will be sending out the new directory by the end of April.

Notable Events

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Holy Week

- **Palm Sunday** 3/25 11:00am
- **Maundy Thursday** 3/29 6:00pm
Meal and Service
- **Good Friday** 3/30 12:15pm
- **Easter** 4/1 11:00am

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Greeter and Usher Training April 8: You're invited to a thirty minute training session sponsored by the Worship & Arts Committee on Sunday, April 8 at 12:30 pm. Meet us in the sanctuary for a brief review of new usher and greeter responsibilities, followed by hands-on practice. Handouts will be provided. New and experienced usher/greeters are welcome! Questions? Contact Deb Evans.

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Peace Lecture and Awards at Fort Street: On **Sunday, April 22nd**, Fort Street will host the 2018 **Max Mark-Cranbrook Lecture and Peacemaker Awards**. Izzeldin Abuelaish will join us in worship that morning, with the Lecture and Awards ceremony beginning shortly after worship. The event is free and will honor the peacemaking efforts of Dr. Abuelaish, as well as Martha Scott, Tawanna "Honeycomb" Petty, and Helen Weber and Frank O'Donnell.

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Clear Lake Reunion and Jazzy Potluck: April 29 is our Fifth Sunday of April, so join us for a potluck in the Great Hall, with Jazz music provided. There will also be a reunion taking place for friends of the Clear Lake Camp that day. Stop by and see the pictures!

Music at Fort Street: The Five Lakes Silver Band will be performing at Fort Street on **Friday, April 27th** at 8:00pm. Tickets are \$15, students are free. The Fort Street Chorale is preparing for their performance of **Mozart's Requiem on May 6th, at 3:00pm**. If you turn your Radio Dial to WRCJ 90.9 FM on **April 17 at 10 am**, you will hear To hear Fort Street Chorale and Chamber Orchestra's Conductor Dr. Arianne Abela, with Jack Callas, to discuss the Chorale's upcoming Performance with Dr. David Wagner during WRCJ's Spring Fund Raising Campaign.

April 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00am Breakfast in Great Hall 9:00am Child Care 9:30am FS Choir 10:00am Visit with Animals 10:30am Egg Hunt 11:00am Worship 12:00pm Balloon Launch 12:00pm Balloon Launch 6:30pm NA	2 Church Office Closed	3 8:30am Clothes Sort 11:45am Career Closet 1:00pm Staff Meeting 8:00pm GAA	4 7:00pm Session	5 9:00am Open Door 7:00pm Chorale Rehearsal	6 Church Offices Closed 8:00pm GAA	7 5:30pm AA 8:30pm AI-Anon
8 9:30am Child Care 11:00am Worship 12:30pm Greeter & Usher Training 12:30pm Worship Arts mtg 6:30pm NA	9 11:00am Detroit Mama Hub Mama Circle 5:00pm Yoga Class	10 8:30am Clothes Sort 11:45am Career Closet 1:00pm Staff Meeting 8:00pm GAA	11 6:00pm Deacons mtg	12 9:00am Open Door 6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal 7:00pm Chorale Rehearsal	13 Church Offices Closed 3:00pm Wedding 8:00pm GAA	14 5:30pm AA 8:30pm AI-Anon
15 9:30am FS Choir 9:30am Child Care 9:45am Adult Ed 11:00am Worship 11:30am PJM meeting 6:30pm NA	16 11:00am Detroit Mama Hub Mama Circle 5:00pm Yoga Class	17 8:30am Clothes Sort 11:45am Career Closet 1:00pm Staff Meeting 8:00pm GAA	18 6:00pm Fiscal Op mtg	19 9:00am Open Door 11:30am Open Door Committee Mtg 7:00pm Chorale Rehearsal	20 Church Offices Closed 8:00pm GAA	21 5:30pm AA 8:30pm AI-Anon
22 9:30am Child Care 9:30am FS Choir 9:45am Adult Ed 11:00am Worship-Peace Award Service 6:30pm NA	23 Risers to go up 11:00am Detroit Mama Hub Mama Circle 5:00pm Yoga Class	24 8:30am Clothes Sort 11:45am Career Closet 1:00pm Staff Meeting 8:00pm GAA	25 6:30pm Personnel mtg	26 9:00am Open Door 7:00pm Chorale Rehearsal	27 Church Offices Closed 8:00pm GAA 8:00pm Five Lakes Silver Band Concert	28 9:30am Presby. Youth Council 5:30pm AA 8:30pm AI-Anon
29 9:30am Child Care 9:30am FS Choir 9:45am Adult Ed 11:00am Worship 12:30pm Clear Lake Jazzy Potluck 6:30pm NA	30 11:00am Detroit Mama Hub Mama Circle 5:00pm Yoga Class					