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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 22, 2018

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 22, 2018

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *Prelude and Fugue in G Major, BWV 884* J.S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Eric

CALL TO WORSHIP Pastor Eric

We have heard the Shepherd call to us.

Left: *We long to rest in the greenest pastures.*

Right: *We want to dip our toes into cool, clean waters.*

Let us follow where the Shepherd leads.

All: Together, we have no fear as we celebrate the presence and goodness of God.

*HYMN 664 *Morning Has Broken* BUNESSAN

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Pastor Eric

Gracious God, forgive us for the ways in which we contribute to the disfigurement and destruction of your Creation. Transform our hearts and minds, that we may place the welfare of your earth and your people before our fleeting desires. Embolden us to give voice to the voiceless in our communities and ecosystems, and grant us divine wisdom that we may replace systems of destruction and oppression with systems of justice and sustainability. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS Pastor Eric

God declares the creation good. In Christ God calls each of us good. We are among God's creatures, and humbled that God calls on us to sow peace, tilling and keeping the earth.

With hope and inspiration to answer that call, we place our trust in God to show us the way. Amen.

*RESPONSE HYMN 591 *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!* HALLE, HALLE

*SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE Pastor Anne

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, we too should forgive one another. The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

(Exchange signs of Christ's peace with those worshipping with you.)

WE HEAR THE WORD PROCLAIMED

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Pastor Anne

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Pastor Anne

PSALM LESSON Psalm 23 Pastor Eric

(pp. 474-475 in Pew Bibles)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *Shepherd Me, O God* Marty Haugen

Please join the choir in singing the refrain, Hymn 473

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Pastor Anne

(p. 756 in Pew Bibles)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*HYMN 246

Christ Is Alive!

TRURO

*LITANY OF AFFIRMATION OF GOD'S EARTH

Pastor Eric

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice!

Let the sea roar, and let the field exclaim!

The trees of the forest will sing for joy!

God cares for all of God's creation.

When God began to create the heavens and the earth the earth was without shape, and it was dark over the deep sea while God's Spirit swept over the face of the waters.

God created everything and called it "good."

God created humanity in God's own image to take charge and take care of – and to make peace with - of the earth, the plants, and the animals.

From the smallest seed to the largest tree, from the smallest atom to the largest continent, God calls upon us to care for our good world.

It is our responsibility and great joy to care for the peace of our whole world.

Today on Earth Day we pledge our continued efforts to care for our world, to protect endangered animals, to secure safe drinking water for areas without it, to reduce our energy use, and to advocate for the protection of these resources and others. With God's help we will care for God's creation. Amen.**WE RESPOND TO THE WORD**

SHARING CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

Pastor Anne

Microphone Available

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Anne

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.

OFFERING OF THE GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

The Call

Z. Randall Stroope

Come, my Way, my Truth, My Life: Such a Way, as gives us breath: Such a Truth, as ends all strife: Such a Life, as killeth death. Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: Such a Light, as shows a feast: Such a Feast, as mends in length: Such a Strength, as makes his guest. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: Such a Joy, as none can move: Such a Love, as none can part: Such a Heart, as joys in love.

*RESPONSE 606

*Praise God, from Whom
All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF THANKS

Pastor Anne

WE ARE SENT OUT TO PROCLAIM THE WORD

*HYMN 80

You Shall Go Out with Joy

THE TREES OF THE FIELD

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Pastor Anne

POSTLUDE

Toccata on Come, Ye Faithful

Hoyt Pascal

About the Service

The Call to Worship adapted from Psalm 23 by Amy Loving. The Prayer of Confession and Declaration of Forgiveness comes from the 2003 Earth Day resources of the Presbyterian Church, and The Earth Day Litany is from Justice Unbound, a journal of the Presbyterian Church, <http://justiceunbound.org/action-alerts/litany-for-earth-day/>

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Worship Coordinator	Kalu Uduma

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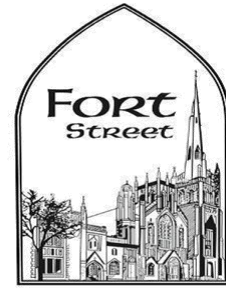
- Hearing-Assist System
- Wheelchair Access Ramp
- Wheelchair Seating--locations available in the sanctuary
- Handicap-Accessible Restroom--use elevator to second floor
- Large-Print Bulletins are available in the narthex

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.

FSPC Mission Statement

Fort Street Presbyterian Church is an oasis in an urban environment, building a caring Christian community where diversity is celebrated and programs are developed 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 Jesus Christ.



Fort Street is hiring!

We have two positions available at Fort Street:

Temporary Office Professional to help during the summer months during one staff person’s family leave, and The Director of Open Door.

More information is available on our Web Site,
www.fortstreet.org/openings

Music at Fort Street: The Five Lakes Silver Band will be performing at Fort Street on **Friday, April 27th** at 8:00pm. Admission at the door is \$15, seniors \$10, students are free.

Fort Street Staff

Church General Staff

Alison Grosch	Operations Manager
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Open Door

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Music at Fort Street

Marilyn Biery	Director and Organist
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Weddings at Fort Street

Loretta Stanton	Coordinator
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**Donlin Center and
Christian Education**

Judith Sheldon	Director
Karen Wright	
Lakita Wyatt	Donlin Staff

Prayers for Military Loved Ones

Jonathan Heyler USN; Ssgt Shanell Howard USAF; Maj. Michael Kurtti USAF; Capt. Theo Moran USAF; Lt. Mark Webster USAF

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**Pastors:** Anne and Eric Lange • [pastor@fortstreet.org](mailto:pastor@fortstreet.org)  
**Pastor Emeritus:** The Rev. Dr. Robert H. Crilley  
**Music Director Emeritus:** Edward Kingins

**This Week’s Announcements**

**Save the Date: 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Open Door,  
with Special Guest, the Rev. Dr. Robert H. Crilley  
May 20, 2018 1:00pm-4:00pm**

Rev. Dr. Robert Crilley was called to serve as Pastor of Fort Street in 1968. To celebrate his arrival and the impact of Open Door's 50 years of service, join us for a special worship service honoring Bob and Virginia Crilley, and stay for a lunch celebration at 1:00pm. Tickets for the lunch are \$20, we will also be taking donations for Open Door's \$50 for 50 Years Campaign. RSVPs will be required, with more details to come soon!

**Chorale Concert Mozart's *Requiem*, Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup> at 3pm**  
General Admission: \$25 • Groups of 10+: \$20 each  
Students: \$15 • Patron: \$50

Tickets are available at [fortstreet.org/chorale](http://fortstreet.org/chorale) or at the door on concert day.

Concertgoers may pay with a credit card online and either print their own tickets or get them at will call, or may buy tickets at the Church office during business hours.

**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! We will be sending out the new directory by the end of April.

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**Meaning in a Moment
Adult Ed Series**

April 29

**"Aquarian Gospel of Jesus Christ"
Guest Speaker, Issa Abramaleem**

9:45 a.m.-10:45a.m.,
The Stapleton Chapel

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**Jazzy Potluck and Clear Lake Camp Reunion,**

**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!

**Peace Lecture and Awards**

On **Today, April 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Fort Street will host the 2018 **Max Mark-Cranbrook Lecture and Peacemaker Awards**. Izzeldin Abuelaish will join us in worship at 11:00am, with the Lecture and Awards ceremony beginning shortly after worship around 12:15pm.

The event is free and open to the public.

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**Meditation Mondays:
Yoga at Fort Street!**

The Community Fellowship Committee is hosting yoga classes at Fort Street in the Great Hall on Monday evenings at 5:00pm. An instructor from Live Cycle Delight, a Detroit yoga studio, will lead the sessions. Voluntary donations will be accepted. Contact Nancy Jennings with questions.

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**Open Door Career Closet** needs extra-large women's pants, sizes 20 & up. They also need men's extra-large dress shirts (size 18 and up).

**FSPC Prayer List**

Betty, Eleanor, Gabriella Abrego, Marcus Balloon, Lynne Bieniek, Patricia Brown and family, Bobbie Edwards and family, Eunice Finch, Mia Hart, Iola Jackson, Geraldine Adams Jones, Valorie Celeste Kimbrough, Bruce Leonard, Milfordean Luster, John Millhench, Susan Moran, Kathy Neuman, Andrew Nichols, Kathy Payne and family, Diane Rothe, Kerri Rowland, and Marcella Scarbrough and family.