

Around God's Table by Bosca Peters

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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.SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

June 24, 2018

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

L'Angelus

J. Danbé

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing a new song to the Lord,
who has worked wonders,
whose right hand and holy arm have brought salvation.

**The Lord has made known salvation;
has shown justice to the nations;
has remembered truth and love for the house of Israel.**

All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.

**Shout to the Lord, all the earth,
sing out your joy.**

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp,
with the sound of music.

**With trumpets and the sound of the horn
acclaim the King, the Lord.**

*HYMN 475

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God, our judge and redeemer,
we confess that we have tried to hide from you,
For we have done wrong.**

**We have lived for ourselves,
and apart from you.**

**We have turned from our neighbors,
and refused to bear the burdens of others.**

**We have ignored the pain of the world,
and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed.**

**In your great mercy forgive our sins,
and free us from selfishness,
that we may choose your will
and obey your commandments;
through Jesus Christ our Savior.**

*DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name, you are mine. God is doing a new thing; now it springs forth!

By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God

*RESPONSE 591

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

HALLE, HALLE

***SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE**

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON

Acts 8:4-8

(p.118 in Pew Bibles)

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

SOLO

Andante Religioso

Laura Netzel

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 8:26-40

(p. 119. in Pew Bibles)

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

SERMON

A Wider Table

Pastor Eric Lange

*HYMN 644

Give Thanks, O Christian People

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*** LITANY FOR THE JOURNEY**

We are a Spirit-directed community:

**Led to unfamiliar places,
encountering new faces,
discovering the Holy Spirit is with us for every step.**

We are called by God to respond to answer the living God:

**In every circumstance of life we face,
We nurture among us the gifts of the Spirit
and speak as prophets to our community
proclaiming God's ways, God's love, God's peace.**

And in the journey we discover our true shared life:

**We, ourselves, are challenged by the message the Spirit gives us,
we are led in new and surprising directions,
taking steps that are both thrilling and frightening
As we seek to listen and follow the living God. Amen.**

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Tom Turner

SHARING CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

Microphone Available

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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, forever. Amen.

OFFERING OF THE GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY *Grave* Fritz Kreisler

*RESPONSE 606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF THANKS

WE ARE SENT OUT TO PROCLAIM THE WORD

*HYMN 296 *Go in Grace and Make Disciples* WONDROUS LIGHT

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Tarantelle* Laura Netzel

About the Service

Today's bulletin cover, is entitled Around God's Table by Bosca Peters.

About the Music: please welcome our violinist, Rose Urbiel, who will play music by the Swedish composer Laura Netzel (1839-1927), as well as music of Fritz Kreisler (1875-1962), the Austrian violinist and composer known for writing music in the style of other composers. The offertory was composed in the style of Wilhelm Friedemann Bach (1710-1784), the second child and eldest son of J.S. Bach.

Sound Tech Tom Marshall

Worship Coordinator Beth Brown

Ushers are available to provide assistance with particular needs:

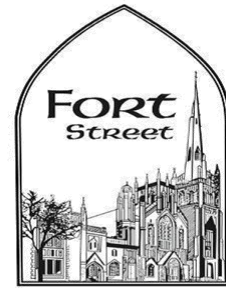
- Hearing-Assist System
- Wheelchair Access Ramp
- Wheelchair Seating--locations available in the sanctuary
- Handicap-Accessible Restroom--use elevator to second floor
- Large-Print Bulletins are available in the narthex

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 one position available at Fort Street:
The Director of Open Door. More information is available on our Web Site,
www.fortstreet.org/openings

Fort Street Staff

Church General Staff

Alison Grosch	Operations Manager
Monika McKay- Polly	Temporary Office Professional
Lola JF Davidson	Secretary
Jerry Johnson	Building Engineer
Darryl Reynolds	Parking and Custodian
Richard Echols	

Music at Fort Street

Marilyn Biery	Director and Organist
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Donlin Center and Christian Education

Judith Sheldon	Director
Karen Wright	Donlin Staff
Lakita Wyatt	

Open Door

Shelia Williams	Floor Coordinator
James Anderson	Security
Herman Hall	Custodians
Damien Hines	
Jewell Everette	Kitchen Aide / Cook
Reginald Byrd	SCSEP
Deborah Jones	
Gleatus Jones	

Weddings at Fort Street

Loretta Stanton	Coordinator
Vanessa Carthron	Wedding Assistants
Austin Brantley	
Darryl Fowler	

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

### Timeline Project

A timeline of Fort Street's history has been built in the Great Hall. Before or after worship, we invite you to go to the timeline and "register your vote" about meaningful times in Fort Street's History. Approach the timeline table for more instructions.

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Meaning in a Moment

Adult Ed Series
2018

Gospel of John

June 24, and July 1.

Facilitated by Nancy Combs, continuing annual series.

9:45 a.m.-10:45a.m.,

The Stapleton Chapel

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### Summer Book Study

Waking Up White  
Mondays, 7:30pm,

**\*\*\*Note that the Book Study will not meet this Monday, June 25, due to the fireworks show in Windsor.\*\*\***

On Monday evenings beginning on June 11th, The Spiritual Life Committee is hosting a Summer Book Study on *Waking Up White and Finding Myself in the Story of Race* by Debby Irving. The Reverend Denise Anderson and the Reverend Jan Edmiston, Co-Moderators of the 222nd General Assembly (2016) of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), have invited the denomination to read and discuss the book. Pastor Anne will lead these discussions

## CAT Survey Coming Soon

Fort Street Church Assessment Tool (CAT), an on-line instrument that will help leaders gauge the strength, vitality, and trends in our church. The information gained from this assessment will be valuable in helping the Self-Study team in their work. In a few weeks, those of you with email addresses on file will receive an email with a link to the CAT. We ask you to click on the link provided and tell us about your experiences in and priorities for our church. Please do not discuss the survey or your answers with others as this may influence their answers. All answers are strictly anonymous. If you need a paper copy, please find Eric Lange, and he will provide one for you along with a self-addressed stamped return envelope with instructions. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Eric.

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Meditation Mondays:

Yoga at Fort Street!

Community Fellowship 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, The Beroit family, Lynne Bieniek, Patricia Brown and family, Bobbie Edwards and family, Eunice Finch, Mia Hart, Motoko Huthwaite, 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.