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## **EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**July 15, 2018**

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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*July 15, 2018*

## WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

*Three Pieces*

Edvard Grieg

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Valerie Hintzen

CALL TO WORSHIP

Valerie Hintzen

The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it.

**Come, let us adore him.**

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:

**Come, let us adore him.**

The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:

**Come, let us adore him.**

Lord, open our lips.

**And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.**

\*HYMN 305

*Come Sing, O Church in Joy!*

DARWALL'S 148TH

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Valerie Hintzen

**O Lord our God,  
you call us to proclaim the gospel,  
but we remain silent in the presence of evil.  
You call us to be reconciled to you and one another,  
but we are content to live in separation.  
You call us to seek the good of all,  
but we fail to resist the powers of oppression.  
You call us to fight pretensions and injustice,  
but we sit idly by,  
endangering the lives of people far and near.  
Forgive us, O Lord.  
Reconcile us to you by the power of your Spirit,  
and give us the courage and strength  
to be reconciled to others;  
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.**

\*DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Valerie Hintzen

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 591

*Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!*

HALLE, HALLE

\*SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

Valerie Hintzen

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

Rev. Kevin Johnson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM LESSON

Psalm 133  
(p 543. in Pew Bibles)

Valerie Hintzen

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

SOLO

*Volksweise*

Grieg

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 2: 37-47  
(in Pew Bibles)

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

SERMON

## THE CHURCH AT ONE WITH JESUS

Rev. Kevin Johnson

\*HYMN 343

*Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life*

GERMANY

\*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 and 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

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

*Dance of Spring*

Grieg

\*RESPONSE 606

*Praise God, from Whom  
All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

\*PRAYER OF THANKS

Valerie Hintzen

### **WE ARE SENT OUT TO PROCLAIM THE WORD**

\*HYMN 300

*We Are One in the Spirit*

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE  
CHRISTIANS

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*Dance*

Edvard Grieg

### **About the Service**

Today's bulletin cover artist is unknown and comes from the free clipart files.

**About the Music:** Edvard Grieg (1843-1907) was a Norwegian pianist and composer who used Norwegian folk tunes in his music. He was one of the first to do so, bringing the music of Norway to the world through his compositions, much in the same way that Sibelius and Smetana did in Finland and Bohemia.

Liturgist	Valerie Hintzen
Sound Tech	Twiler French
Worship Coordinator	Craig McLean

### **Ushers are available to provide assistance with particular needs:**

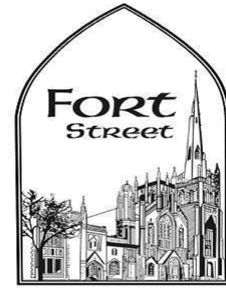
- Hearing-Assist System
- Wheelchair Access Ramp
- Wheelchair Seating--locations available in the sanctuary
- Handicap-Accessible Restroom--use elevator to second floor
- Large-Print Bulletins are available in the narthex

### **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](mailto:firstcircleinc@sbcglobal.net). or Nancy Jackson at [nancymottershawjackson@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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.



**Home Timeline Meetings**

As a part of Fort Street's Self Study process, we are having small gatherings of people for conversations about Fort Street's history. The prompt for discussion at these meetings will be the timeline, with Post-it Notes, currently up in the Great Hall.

- Saturday, July 21, 1:30pm - Bloodworths' House (Northwest Detroit, Grandmont-Rosedale)
- Sunday, July 22, 12:30pm - Fort Street (after worship)
- Saturday, July 28, 10:00am - Sharrows (Grosse Pointe Park)
- Saturday, July 28, 7:00pm - Jacksons (Allen Park)

Please RSVP so our hosts can know how many to expect. Sign-up sheets are in the Great Hall for each of these meetings.

**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	

**Open Door**

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James Anderson	Security
Herman Hall	Custodians
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Jewell Everette	Kitchen Aide / Cook
Reginald Byrd	
Deborah Jones	SCSEP
Gleatus Jones	

**Music at Fort Street**

Marilyn Biery	Director and Organist
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**Donlin Center and Christian Education**

Judith Sheldon	Director
Karen Wright	
Lakita Wyatt	Donlin Staff

**Weddings at Fort Street**

Loretta Stanton	Coordinator
Vanessa Carthron	
Austin Brantley	Wedding Assistants
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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**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).

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### 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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### MoTown Museum Visit

The Peace, Justice, and Mission Committee is organizing a trip to the MoTown Museum. The trip will explore the role that MoTown played in uplifting oppressed communities in Detroit and around the world. **Sunday July 22, 2:00pm, 2648 W Grand Blvd, Detroit, Meet 2:00pm at the museum.** Contact Bob Ponder, 313-522-3712 if you have any questions.

### Summer Book Discussions on Race in America Mondays, 7:00pm,

On Monday evenings, 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. Pastor Anne will lead these discussions. Books are \$16. Come, join us on Mondays in July.

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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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### FSPC Prayer List

Betty, Carl, Eleanor, Gabriella Abrego, Marcus Balloon, The Beroit family, Lynne Bieniek, Patricia Brown and family, Sarp Diri, Bobbie Edwards and family, The Falzone family, Eunice Finch, Mia Hart, Motoko Huthwaite, Iola Jackson, Ada Jayes family, Geraldine Adams Jones, Valorie Celeste Kimbrough, Bruce Leonard, Joe Lile, Milfordean Luster, Anne Michalak, John Millhench, Susan Moran, Kathy Neuman, Andrew Nichols, Kathy Payne and family, Diane Rothe, Kerri Rowland and family, Marcella Scarbrough, Brenda Gold Sloan, Margaret Thomson, and family, and Kim Woods.

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