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## **NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**July 22, 2018**

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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

July 22, 2018

## WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

*Air from the Third Orchestral Suite*

J.S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

In Christ, the God of heaven has made his home on earth.

**Christ dwells among us and is one with us.**

Highest of all creation, he lives among the least.

**He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.**

Come now, all who thirst,

**and drink the water of life.**

Come now, all who hunger,

**and be filled with good things.**

Come now, all who seek,

**and be warmed by the fire of love.**

\*HYMN 401

*Here in This Place*

GATHER US IN

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God,**

**we confess that we have sinned against you**

**in thought, word, and deed,**

**by what we have done,**

**and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you**

**with our whole heart and mind and strength.**

**We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**In your mercy, forgive what we have been,**

**help us amend what we are,**

**and direct what we shall be,**

**that we may delight in your will**

**and walk in your ways,**

**to the glory of your holy name.**

\*DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

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

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

PSALM LESSON

Psalm 98

(p. 521 in Pew Bibles)

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

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 10:30-48

(pp. 121-122 in Pew Bibles)

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

SOLO

*Song of Devotion*

John Ness Beck

SERMON

**UNEXPECTED MESSAGE**

Pastor Anne Lange

\*HYMN 319

*Men of Faith, Rise Up and Sing*

SMITH

\*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

*Love Ye the Lord*

G. F. Handel

\*RESPONSE 606

*Praise God, from Whom  
All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

\*PRAYER OF THANKS

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

\*HYMN 80

*You Shall Go Out with Joy*

THE TREES OF THE FIELD

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*Prelude in E-Flat*

J.S. Bach

**About the Service**

Today's bulletin cover artist is unknown, although the selection is entitled, "Genesis Too."

**About the Music:** Today we welcome Dorothy Duensing, alto, as our guest soloist. Dorothy teaches voice at Wayne State and has been the soloist for the Fort Street Chorale for many years.

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

**The flowers in the sanctuary are given in celebration of  
Jane Petrie's 80th Birthday with love from Her family.**



**Member Care Information:**

Motoko Huthwaite is currently at Fairlane Senior Care and Rehab Center:

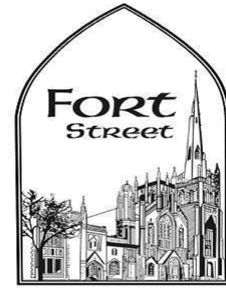
15750 Joy Road Detroit MI 48228, just east of the Southfield Fwy, (phone: 313-273-6850)

**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.

**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	

**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	

**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	

**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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**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. **Today, Sunday, July 22, 2:00pm at 2648 W Grand Blvd, Detroit. We will meet 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. **Our last discussion will be on Monday, July 23.**

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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. **Our last session will be on Monday, July 30.**

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### FSPC Prayer List

Betty, Carl, Eleanor, Lynne Bieniek, Patricia Brown and family, The Cooke family, Bobbie Edwards and family, The Falzone family, Mia Hart, Kevin Henderson and family, Motoko Huthwaite, Iola Jackson, Geraldine Adams Jones, Valorie Celeste Kimbrough, Joe Lile, Milfordean Luster, Andrew Nichols, Kathy Payne and family, Diane Rothe, Margaret Thomson, and family.

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### Prayers for Military Loved Ones

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