Next Month at Fort Street

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Welcome Trish Hubbell

as Director of Fort Street Open Door

and over again that people continue to worship and participate here because of the people. While the sanctuary and the steeple are great, it is the connection to the people of the church that has kept people committed through the years. This month, we have an opportunity to celebrate one of the most influential and central people in the life of the church, Lola JF Davidson, our church's secretary. Lola is retiring as Secretary from Fort Street, and her last day will be October 4th. Lola will join us in worship and for the Fifth Sunday Potluck on September 30, so come and join us to celebrate Lola!

From the Pastor's Desk....

Lola has been a staple of Fort Street life for twenty years. In many ways, she was the 'face' of Fort Street to the outside world. She welcomed visitors and members, she answered the phone, she has figured out the answers to your questions and got the right information in your hands. Lola has maintained the 'hub' of communication for the church in many of the program areas of the church. Her pleasant demeanor and ease around people made it a pleasure to get to know her. She has tirelessly kept records of so many of the church's activities over the past twenty years and is a treasure trove of information about Fort Street's congregational life.

But more importantly, Lola has understood that her work at Fort Street is deeply spiritual. She has made deep, deep connections with members and she deeply cares about Fort Street. Love for the church. Her work is the epitome of what Paul describes when he says, "Whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God" (1 Corinthians 10:31b). Lola is keenly aware of God's presence in her work, and in the spiritual life of Fort Street. We all have been blessed by her presence and care.

So if you see Lola, take some time to thank her for her longstanding commitment to Fort Street, and her genuine concern for this church and its people. She will join us in worship on September 30th, and then we can break bread together in fellowship and gratitude for her service!

Pastors Anne and Eric

Trish Hubbell is a lifelong Detroit resident, an active parishioner at St. Monica/St. Augustine Catholic Church in Detroit, and has a long history of community engagement and activism. She has many years of experience in corporate and nonprofit community relations, marketing, and public affairs. She also spent a number of years working in the health care industry, promoting health and wellness in minority communities and communicating about the social determinants of health.

Trish has a Bachelor of Arts in English from Michigan State University, and a Master of Arts in Dispute Resolution. She has been involved in conflict coaching, training, and community mediation. She is passionate about social justice, equity, and building respectful, inclusive communities. She is the mother of four young adult children, and the grandmother of one.

Book Study Resumes September 10th

Our ongoing book conversations on race in America continue on Monday nights at 7:00pm starting on September 10. We will be reading *I'm Still Here* by Austin Channing Brown. After that book has concluded, the discussions will focus on *The Church Enslaved*. Pastor Anne will lead these discussions. Please find copies of the books on your own, and come even if you haven't read!

Jazzy Potluck September 30th, and Lola's Goodbye

Our next Fifth Sunday potluck will take place on September 30th. Bring a dish to share! We will have jazz music from the Eric Childress Quartet (???Marilyn?). On this day, we will also say goodbye to Fort Street's Secretary, Lola Fryer Davidson. Lola is retiring from Fort Street in early October, so join us in sharing with Lola about her time and service!

Meaning in a Moment

The Adult Education classes will resume on Sunday, September 9, at 9:45am to 10:45am. All are welcome!

Other Notable Events at FSPC

Healing and Wholeness Service

Join Pastor Anne for a worship service planned around God's healing power. Through shared liturgy, **prayer**, and music, participants will be surrounded by love, prayer, and peace. A Soup dinner will be available starting at 5:30pm and the service will begin at 6:00pm. Children are welcome!

PJM Committee Event September 30th - Detroit 1967 After the Potluck and all are fed, the Peace, Justice and Mission committee invites you to an exhibit, "Detroit 67," at the Detroit Historical Museum. The programs starts at 2:00 pm. We will carpool from Fort Street. Ages will carpool from Fort Street for ets are \$10.00. See Bob Ponder for further information at 313-522-

Bikers Ride Join the Fort Street Bike Riders 10:00am at Fort Street, as they ride throughout the city. All are

Session Retreat is coming to Fort Street on Saturday, September 8, starting at 9:00am. Contact Craig

McLean for more information.

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	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
							1 1:00pm Wedding 5:30pm AA 8:30pm Al-Anon
	2 9:30am Child Care 11:00am Worship, Kevin Johnson 6:30pm NA	3 Church Office Closed - Labor Day 11:00am Wedding staff mtg	4 Schools back in session 8:30am Clothes Sort 11:45am Career Closet 8:00pm GAA	5 7:00pm Session	6 9:00am Open Door	7 Church Offices Closed 8:00pm GAA	8 Session Retreat @FSPC 5:30pm AA 8:30pm Al-Anon
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