



**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**September 9, 2018**

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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*September 9, 2018*

## GOD GATHERS US TOGETHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

*Prelude and Fugue in G Major BWV 884*

J.S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to the LORD a new song;  
**sing to the LORD, all the earth.**  
Sing to the LORD, praise his name;  
**proclaim God's salvation day after day.**

\*HYMN 336

*We Gather Together*

KREMSER

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people.  
You have called us to be the church,  
to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world.  
Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active,  
isolated than involved, callous than compassionate,  
obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving.  
Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins.  
Remove the obstacles preventing us  
from being your representatives to a broken world.  
Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit.  
This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Christ is our peace;  
those who are divided he has made one.  
He has broken down the barriers of separation  
by his death and has built us up into one body, with God.  
To all who repent and believe he has promised reconciliation.  
So live as people reconciled. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

RESPONSE SONG 590

*Hallelujah*

HALLELUJAH (MARAIRE)

\*SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, we too should forgive one another. 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

FIRST LESSON

1 Corinthians 3:5-9  
(p. 157 in Pew Bibles)

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

ANTHEM

*Rejoice in Joyous Song*

Biery

SECOND LESSON

Acts 18:18-28  
(p. 130 in Pew Bibles)

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

SERMON

**“The In-Between Spaces”**

Pastor Anne Lange

\*HYMN 311

*Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather*

TOKYO

**WE RESPOND TO THE WORD**

SHARING CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

Microphone Available

OFFERING OF THE GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

*Song of Petition*

Bier

*All are invited to repeat the petition after the choir:*

*All:*

Have com - pas - sion on us, keep us safe in your  
care, give us cour-age and strength all our days.

\*RESPONSE 606

*Praise God, from Whom  
All Blessings Flow*

OLD  
HUNDRETH

\*PRAYER OF THANKS

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Communion is served today via intinction: participants are invited to come forward, form a circle around the table, and be served the elements. You are invited to take a piece of bread and dip it into the cup. The Presbyterian tradition holds that “all who come to the table are offered the bread and cup regardless of their age or understanding” (Book of Order, W-3.0409). In that spirit, we offer communion to children of any age at the parent’s discretion. If parents would prefer their children not to receive the elements, they can ask for children to receive a blessing when they come forward.*

THE STORY AT THE TABLE

Three questions:

**What are we going to do at this table?**

**Why do we share bread and juice?**

**But I wasn't there with Jesus. What should I remember?**

**PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING**

God who makes us wonder ...

...to praise you for the life you give us:

**Hallelujah! (Hymn 590)**

It is so good to know that you lived a life like ours...

...Just as your other friends around the world meet you at theirs.

**Hallelujah! (Hymn 590)**

**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.**

**THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**MUSIC DURING COMMUNION** (*Please join in singing the refrain:*) Biery

Come to the ta-ble, we come to the ta-ble, we  
gath-er to- geth-er, to- geth-er as one.

Come to the ta-ble, we come to the ta-ble, we  
gath-er to- geth-er, to- geth-er as one.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

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

\*HYMN 536

*Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen* SURGE ECCLESIA

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE**

*Toccata on NETTLETON*

Biery

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## This Week's Announcements

### Welcome Back, Fort Street Choir!

The Fort Street Choir resumed its weekly schedule today. New members are always welcome. Guest instrumentalists of all ages and all abilities are also welcome. For more information contact Marilyn Biery at [musicdirector@fortstreet.org](mailto:musicdirector@fortstreet.org) or talk to her after church.

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### Want to donate items to Open Door?

Our ministry to homeless individuals in downtown Detroit is always in need of donated goods. Right now, we have an immediate need for toothbrushes, as long as they are wrapped individually. We also continue to need specific clothing items, including extra-large women's pants, sizes 20 & up and men's extra-large dress shirts (size 18 and up).

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### Healing and Wholeness Service

Wednesday, September 19

6:00pm (light meal at 5:30)

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!

### Sunday, September 30 - Potluck and Saying Goodbye to Lola

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.. 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!

### 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, Alex Kade,

Valorie Celeste Kimbrough, Joe Lile, Milfordean Luster, Andrew Nichols, Kathy Payne and family, Diane Rothe, Donna Stinson, Margaret Thomson, and family.

### Prayers for Military Loved Ones

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

### Book Study Returns on Monday

September 10, 7:00pm

Our ongoing book conversations on race will continue with *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!

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### CAT Survey Live Now!

This week a reminder email was sent with a link to the online survey to gauge the strength, vitality, and trends in our church.. 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.

Paper copies are also available in the narthex with a self-addressed stamped return envelope with instructions. Surveys can be dropped in the "Cat Box" in the Great Hall.

## 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.

### Sunday Schedule

9:10am - Nursery Care begins  
 9:15am Fort Street Choir Rehearsal  
 9:45am - Adult Sunday School  
 11:00am - Worship  
 11:15am (approx.) - Children go downstairs  
 to the Donlin Center for Sunday School  
 12:00pm - Coffee Hour for all ages in Keely Commons

### Fort Street Staff

| Church General Staff                              |                           | Open Door                                            |                    |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Alison Grosch                                     | Operations Manager        | Trish Hubbell                                        | Director           |
| Lola JF Davidson                                  | Secretary                 | Shelia Williams                                      | Floor Coordinator  |
| Jerry Johnson                                     | Building Engineer         | James Anderson                                       | Security           |
| Darryl Reynolds<br>Richard Echols<br>Frank Hickey | Parking and Custodians    | Herman Hall<br>Damien Hines                          | Custodians         |
| <b>Music at Fort Street</b>                       |                           | Jewell Everette                                      | Cook               |
| Marilyn Biery                                     | Director and Organist     | Reginald Byrd                                        | SCSEP Participants |
| Mike Mitchell                                     | Interim Chorale Conductor | Gleatus Jones                                        |                    |
| <b>Donlin Center and Christian Education</b>      |                           | <b>Weddings at Fort Street</b>                       |                    |
| Judith Sheldon                                    | Director                  | Loretta Stanton                                      | Coordinator        |
| Karen Wright<br>Lakita Wyatt                      | Donlin Staff              | Vanessa Carthron<br>Austin Brantley<br>Darryl Fowler | Wedding Assistants |

**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