



# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*September 30, 2018*

## GOD GATHERS US TOGETHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

*Grave and Adagio from Sonata 2 in C Minor*

Mendelssohn

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

**The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.**

We desire to live in God's house  
and to seek God in his holy temple.

**We have come with shouts of joy,  
to sing and to make music to the Lord.**

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

**Teach us your ways and make straight our paths  
in this hour of worship and always.**

\*HYMN 65

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

CWM RHONDDA

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O Almighty God, we humbly ask you  
to make us like trees planted by the waterside,  
that we may bring forth fruits of good living in due season.  
Forgive our past offenses, sanctify us now,  
and direct all that we should be in the future,  
for Christ's sake. Amen.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

The God who challenges us  
is also the God who encourages us.  
The God who confronts us  
is also the God who accepts us.  
Be assured that God is with us even now,  
accepting, guiding, and forgiving.  
Believe the good news of the Gospel:  
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.**

RESPONSE SONG 591

*Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!*

HALLE, HALLE

\*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

LESSON ONE

2 Corinthians 4:7-15

(p.170 in Pew Bibles)

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

SOLO

*I Will Lift Mine Eyes*

Antonin Dvořák

Dorothy Duensing, Mezzo-soprano

*I will lift mine eyes up to the mountains whence cometh my help. My help cometh from God who hath made the earth and the heavens. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved nor thy steps to stumble. He that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, the keeper of Israel is he that slumbers not nor sleeps.*

LESSON TWO

Acts 28:23-31

(p.141 in Pew Bibles)

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

SERMON

**“UNHINDERED”**

Pastor Eric

\*HYMN 775

*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

WALK WITH

\*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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

*I Waited for the Lord*

Felix Mendelssohn

I waited for the Lord, he inclined unto me, he heard my complaint. O blessed are they that hope and trust in the Lord.

\*RESPONSE 606

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

\*PRAYER OF THANKS

## WE ARE SENT OUT TO PROCLAIM THE WORD

BLESSING AND SENDING OF LOLA

\*HYMN 840

*When Peace like a River*

VILLE DU HAVRE

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*Allegro maestoso e vivace from Sonata 2 in C Minor*

Mendelssohn

Soloists	Leslie Douglass Mason, Dorothy Duensing
Drummer	Eric Childress II
Sound Tech	Twiler French
Worship Coordinator	Kalu Uduma

### 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.

### 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

## This Week's Announcements

### CAT Survey Live Now!

If you haven't done so already, take the CAT survey online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/fortstreet> The survey will allow you to tell the Self-Study team 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 - see one of the pastors for a copy. Paper Surveys can be dropped in the "Cat Box" in the Great Hall.

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### Meaning in a Moment

**The Adult Ed** classes will present DAY SIX of the Creation Care series. ANIMALS with Tim Moran on October 7. 9:45am -10:45am. All are welcome!

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**Open Door Career Closet** is accepting men's suits, sizes 15 and up, men's dress shirts sizes 20 and up, women's suits and blouses, sizes 18 and up. We have an abundance of clothing and do not need other women's attire at this time.

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### Detroit Marathon Pasta Dinner Benefits Open Door Program

Most of you are well aware of the valuable service Fort Street's Open Door program provides for the homeless and under-served members of our community. Open Door has been helping people with food, hot showers, clothing, career attire, medical and dental support services, etc. for more than 50 years! Most of all, Open Door provides a compassionate and caring place for those in need.

**YOU** can support this valuable ministry by joining us at the upcoming Detroit Marathon Pasta Dinner, a fundraiser for Open Door. We need volunteers to assist with the cooking, serving, etc. We also need people to promote and sell tickets, which are now available at [www.fortstreet.org](http://www.fortstreet.org)

Whether you volunteer, or come out to eat and support the cause, we appreciate your effort! Please share information on your social media networks by sharing the flyer from our Facebook page. Thanks in advance for your support!

### Sermons available online!

Missed a sermon? Want to hear one again? You can find them on our website at [fortstreet.org/sermons](http://fortstreet.org/sermons).

### FSPC Prayer List

Lynne Bieniek, Bobbie Edwards and family, Amber Edmunds, Mia Hart, Kevin Henderson and family, Motoko Huthwaite, Iola Jackson, Geraldine Adams Jones, Valorie Celeste Kimbrough, Milfordean Luster, Andrew Nichols, Kathy Payne and family.

### 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.

### Music at Fort Street Concert - October 7, 3pm

The first concert of the season will be a chamber music program on Sunday, October 7 at 3 pm, with Stephanie Shapiro, oboe, Leslie Mason, soprano and Marilyn and James Biery on the Hedi Mulford Memorial Steinway. Concert is free. The Fort Street Choir rehearses each Sunday at 9:15 am in the choir loft. New members are always welcome!

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### Prayers for Military Loved Ones

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

**Fort Street Staff**

**Church General Staff**

Alison Grosch	Operations Manager
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Frank Hickey	Custodian

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	Floor
Shelia Williams	Coordinator
James Anderson	Security
Herman Hall	
Damien Hines	Custodians
Jewell Everette	Cook
Reginald Byrd	SCSEP
	Participants
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
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**Pastor Emeritus:** The Rev. Dr. Robert H. Crilley

**Music Director Emeritus:** Edward Kingins