

Welcome to Worship

Welcome to St. Paul Church! We are glad you are here!

9:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary

LEADING THIS TIME OF WORSHIP

9 am Service

Lay Reader.....Lou Ryseff
Family Room Attendants.....Jeanne Swain
Ushering Team.....Billie McLemore, Donna & Jim Young,
.....Leslie, Carly & Megan Dahm, Beverly Brightwell & Dana Rosenzweig
.....Tammy & Amber Flach, Carol Simon
Welcome Center.....Jeanine Guthrie, Debbie Lippert,
.....Rose Hoy, Sandy Kramer
Radio.....Larry Stepp
Sound Technician.....Wayne Caughman
Visual Technician.....Rick Haar
Traditional Music Director/Organist.....Dan Fry
Interim Pastor.....Robert Koepcke

The NURSERY is open during 9 a.m. services. If the small person who is with you gets wiggly, there are toys & books to enjoy. Please feel free to visit whenever needed!

Hearing devices, large print bulletins, and large print Bibles are available.

Our Worship Service is broadcast on KSTL - 690 AM radio
& streamed on Jubilee690.com at 9am Sundays and repeated at 9pm

115 West "B" Street, Belleville (618) 233-3303

www.stpaulucc.org

St. Paul United Church of Christ

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 2, 2017 9:00 am

OT = Old Testament NT = New Testament † Please stand if able

PRELUDE

Prelude

Alexandre Boëly

ANNOUNCEMENTS with JOYS and CONCERNS

TESTED in GENESIS 22:1-14

OT p. 17

+HYMN

Rock of Ages

1. Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me
2. Not the la - bors of my hands Can ful -
3. Noth - ing in my hand I bring, Sim - ply
4. While I draw this fleet - ing breath, When my

hide my - self in Thee; Let the wa - ter and the blood,
fil Thy law's de - mands; Could my zeal no res - pite know,
to Thy cross I cling; Na - ked, come to Thee for dress,
eye - lids close in death, When I soar to worlds un - known,

From Thy riv - en side which flowed, Be of
Could my tears for - ev - er flow, All for
Help - less, look to Thee for grace; Foul, I
See Thee on Thy judg - ment throne, Rock of

sin the dou - ble cure, Cleanse me from its guilt and power.
sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone.
to the foun - tain fly; Wash me, Sav - iour, or I die.
A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee. A - MEN.

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LITURGY OF CONFESSION

One: Please forgive us, Rock of Ages...

**Many: For we've missed some opportunities
to welcome and to listen!**

One: Maybe it's the way we've been raised or taught,

Many: Maybe we were doing it "the same way we've done!"

One: Maybe we were frightened,

Many: Or didn't have the facts?

One: Maybe...so we kept our heads down, didn't look 'round...

Many: And couldn't see your cross or the ram in the thicket!

One: But thank GOD for Jesus—our "diamond in the rough,"

Many: Who is cleft by our sins, yet his love never dies;

One: And that's how we stand, as a real "Holy" church,

Many: Where we're welcome to listen and live by God's grace!

CHILDREN'S TIME

"What's Holy?"

SERMON from GENESIS 22:15-18 & MATTHEW 10:40-42

OT p. 17 & NT p. 10

"Holy Welcome!"

COMMUNION HYMN

Here I Am, Lord

HOLY COMMUNION

THE APOSTLES' CREED - in the front of the red Hymnals

OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Prelude in G

Gustav Merkel

+OFFERTORY RESPONSE 353

DEDICATION PRAYER

+SHARING the PEACE

SOLO

God Bless America
Osceola Mueller, soloist

Irving Berlin

PRAYERS for the PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LIVING to LOVE from ROMANS 6:15-18

NT p.

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One: So what should we do? Keep right on sinning?

Many: We should hope not!
Our old ways were nailed, right to the cross...
 One: So we can see for ourselves how NOT to live!
Many: But now we're invited, with more grace to give...
 One: To welcome, to listen and learn a new way;
Many: For sin's a dead language and God's Word is LOVE!

+HYMN 190

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

1. Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, Where sound the
 2. In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, On shad - owed
 3. O Mas - ter, from the moun - tain - side, Make haste to
 4. Till sons of men shall learn thy love And fol - low
 cries of race and clan, A - bove the noise of
 thresh - olds dark with fears, From paths where hide the
 heal these hearts of pain; A - mong these rest - less
 where thy feet have trod, Till glo - rious from thy
 self - ish strife, We hear thy voice, O Son of man.
 lures of greed, We catch the vi - sion of thy tears.
 throngs a - bide, O tread the cit - y's streets a - gain.
 heav'n a - bove Shall come the cit - y of our God.

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BLESSING

+POSTLUDE

God of our Fathers

arr. John Carter

For Our Prayers

Don Arnold - Audra Bell - Tammy Clayton - Bill Demestri
Brittany Elser - Archie Garcés - Marsha McCoy
Jack Olsen - Tom Richards - Sandy Ritter
Family of Steve Suess
ISC Prayers of Concern: Priscilla Self - Dr. Douglas Anders

For Our Thoughts

**Where there are no good works, there is no faith.
If works and love do not blossom forth, it is not genuine faith,
the gospel has not gained a foothold,
and Christ is not yet rightly known.**

Martin Luther, 16th century

**Mercy has converted more souls than zeal, or eloquence,
or learning, or all of them together.**

Soren Kierkegaard, 19th century

Mercy is the golden chain by which society is bound together.

Francis Xavier, 16th century Jesuit missionary

Be great in little things.

William Blake, 19th century

**The Christian faith has not been tried and found wanting.
It has been found difficult, and left untried.**



NEWS & NOTES

July 2, 2017

2017-2018 Fine Arts Concerts

Ivory & Gold

Saturday, September 30, 2017 at 7:30 pm
An evening with Jeff & Anne Barnhart
featuring flute, piano, & vocals.

St. Paul Music Ministry Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 17, 2017 at 3 pm

Annual Valentine Concert & Dinner

Saturday, February 10, 2018
Dinner 6 p.m. – paid reservations required
Concert at 7:15 pm

Tom Birkner & Paul Johnston Friday, April 20, 2018 at 7:30 pm

A freewill donation will be received at all concerts.
For more information about our upcoming concerts,
friend us on Facebook or www.stpaulucc.org.

ST PAUL SYM
DIRECTOR KURT TAYLOR
PRESENTS

Disney
THE LION KING



FRIDAY
JULY 14
7pm

SATURDAY
JULY 15
7pm

SUNDAY
JULY 16
3pm

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SUMMER YOUTH
MUSICAL

Music and lyrics by Elton John & Tim Rice, Additional Music and Lyrics by Lebo M, Mark Mancina, Jay Rifkin, and Hans Zimmer, Book by Roger Allers & Irene Mecchi, Based on the Broadway production directed by Julie Taymor, Music Adapted & Arranged and Additional Music & Lyrics and "Luu Hawaiian Treat" written by Will Van Dyke, "It's a Small World" written by Richard M. Sherman and Robert B. Sherman. DISNEY'S THE LION KING JR is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.MTIShows.com

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Summer Youth Musical !
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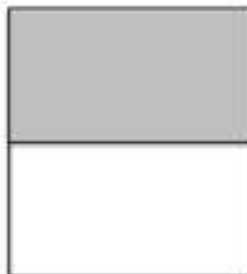
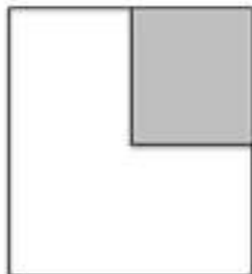


***The Lion King, Jr* July 14, 15 & 16**

Quarter Page - \$25

Half Page - \$40

Full Page (BEST VALUE) \$60



We can create your ad, or you can submit your own (use quotes, colors, pictures, or graphics). For questions, please contact Kurt at taylorlk@stpaulucc.org or Tina at 233-3303. **DEADLINE IS JULY 4!**

Our Communion wine is now purchased through Emmaus House. The proceeds (50%) goes to support Emmaus House and their projects. If you are interested in purchasing wine from Emmaus House, contact Tina.



Are you interested in your Family History or in building a Family Tree? *Join Us!*



Summer is "Finding Your Ancestors" / Genealogy for Beginners

We will meet on Wed, July 19 at 10am in Genesis Rm.

The Women's Guild Summer Get Together will be hosted by Rhonda Knoblock at her house, 3558 Carlyle Ave, on July 18 at 7 pm.



Europe Choir Tour update

Our Europe tour choir has been rehearsing for a few months now, and will be leaving for Germany on July 18, 2017. We are very excited to share that among other venues, we will be singing in Leipzig at the Thomaskirche. Other performances will take place in Bayreuth, Wittenberg, and Prague.

St. Paul choir members who will be going include Kris Mueller, Pam Walton, Stephenie Bauza, Sandy Wagner, Rusty Wagner, Jim Means, Steve Suess, Barb Suess, and Anne von Brecht. Additional St. Paul members and friends joining us include Edie Elliot, Jim von Brecht, and Lynn Koehler, and there are others singing in the choir and attending who are not St. Paul members, and we are so happy to have them with us!

Please mark your calendar for **Sunday, August 6, at 3 pm** for our home concert in the St Paul sanctuary. We do have some expenses, as well as some rehearsal rental expenses, and would welcome any donations to help us with this expense.

Please contact Dan at dan-fry@stpauluccc.org or call him at the church if you would be interested in helping with this.



Interim Ministry Team Update

We have begun the formal process of “filling in the blanks” for our profile. We hope to have the profile completed and ready to submit to the conference no later than the end of July. Once our profile is complete, we will have copies in the library for any members of the congregation who wishes to view it. The Rev. Shana Johnson will join us on Aug 10 to lead us in the Pastoral Search process. Please contact Rev Robert with questions or concerns.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

Are you looking for an opportunity for help?

We are looking for money counters!

We are in need of a few people to help after the service on the 4th or 5th Sundays of each month. Contact the office if interested!!



**MONEY
COUNTERS**

Ushering Training & Worship Thank You

The Worship Board will host our annual “Thank You” meeting for all of our regular and substitute ushers on July 30, 2017. This also includes all of those who operate our radio and sound systems. This year, it will be held in the sanctuary after the regular morning service is concluded beginning around 10:30 AM. We will also brief attendees on the results of our special ushering project which was undertaken earlier this year. A light lunch will be served afterwards in the Welcome Center. All who have helped in any way with ushering, operating the radio or our sound system in the sanctuary are encouraged to attend!

Golfers.



We had little of something for everybody at the Tuesday Loose League. We started at the front nine at the Orchards playing our own balls. Then we were joined by two more players. In order to stay ahead of the Orchards ladies league, we scrambled men (3) against the women (2) on the back nine. Not until the 17th were the men able to tie the score. Then they realized they had three opportunities whereas we ladies on only two to get the ball in the hole. What a game! What fun! Would you like to join us on Tues? Tee time for the front 9 is 1:24pm. We need to tee off from the 10th no later than 3:50.

Hope to see you there!! Let me know if you are interested - ddsetter@gmail.com / 628-0454 Donna

The worship bulletins are sponsored today in honor of:
*The wedding of
 Alex Thomas William Scharf
 & Jessica Lin
 on July 1, 2017,
 in Champaign/Urbana.
 Go Illini!!*



— *This week at* —
St. Paul UCC

- Sun, July 2 9am Worship Service
1:30 Choir - Sanctuary
5pm SYM - Sanctuary
- Mon, July 3 No Exercise Class
- Tues, July 4 CHURCH CLOSED
- Wed, July 5 9:30 Baby Class
- Thu, July 6 5pm SYM- Sanctuary
5:15pm Interim Team
6pm Choir- Sanctuary
No PFLAG in July
- Sat, July 8 9am SYM—Sanctuary
10am Centering Prayer
- Sun, July 9 9am Worship Service
1:30 Choir - Sanctuary
3pm SYM - Sanctuary



The flowers on the altar today are in thankfulness for:
*Our 40th Wedding Anniversary today,
 Pam & Bruce Elser.*

We have a friendly group of quilters that meet here at St. Paul on Tuesdays. If you would like to join the quilters group, if you need a baby quilt for a gift or maybe you have a quilt that needs some tender loving care...our quilters can help!
 Contact Sonja at 530-3897.



Weekly Attendance		
	June 18, 2017	June 19, 2016
9am / 10:45	125/single serv	152/38

PLEASE NOTE:
THE CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED ON SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY EVENINGS DURING THE SUMMER.
THANK YOU.

General Fund		
Offering for 06/18/2017 -	\$10,990	Needed each week \$14,023
Giving to Date	\$323,439	
Budget to..	\$350,575	
Total Budget	\$729,201	

When you or a loved one is admitted to a hospital, please ask the hospitals to notify the church office. Also please telephone the Church Office regarding hospitalized members of the St. Paul faith family. The pastors will visit church members and their families each week. If you have a new addition to your family, please contact the church office so we can keep our records current. Your telephone call is crucial to our ministry!