

# Worship Bulletin

Sept 3, 2017 9:00 am Worship



"No matter who you are, no matter where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."

# 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	Stephanie Bauza
Ushering TeamBillie McLemore, J	lim & Donna Young, Carol Simon,
Beverly Brightwell & Dana Ro	senzweig, Tammy & Amber Flach
Welcome Center	Jeanine Guthrie, Rose Hoy,
	Sandy Kramer, Debbie Lippert
Radio	Larry Stepp
Sound Tech	Wayne Caughman
Visual Tech	Tina Lake-Hopper
Music Director-Organist	Daniel Fry
Interim Pastor	Rev. Robert Koepcke

The NURSERY is open during 9 am 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

*Please sign your Pew Pad today.* If you are new to St. Paul UCC, please fill in your contact information and we will happily contact you as you wish.

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

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# **St. Paul United Church of Christ**

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 3, 2017 9:00 am

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

PRELUDE

Offertorio Pastorale

Domenico Zipoli

ANNOUNCEMENTS

I AM from Exodus 3:1-8a, 11-15

**OT** p. 48

+CALLING HYMN 258 When Israel Was in Egypt's Land

#### **RESPONDING with PRAYER**

by Rev. Kenneth Samuel

Dear Lord, it is once more and again that I come before you, head bowed and body bent, just to say "thank you" for letting me see another day.

Last night you stationed your angels by my bedposts to watch over me all night long. As I slumbered and slept in the image of death, unconscious of everything, you kept me all through the night.

Then soon this morning, you reached over the balcony of heaven and touched me with your finger of love...

And my eyes blinked open to see a brand new day I've never seen before!

I thank you that the four walls of my bedroom weren't the four walls of my casket!

# Lord, I'm just thankful to be here—with my feet planted on the top of the grass, and the blood running warm in my veins!

So I thank you, Lord, for the mercy of this morning. Help all of us see our everyday miracles!

In the amazing name of Jesus! Amen

**CHILDREN'S TIME** *"How high can you jump?"* 

**READING from Matthew 16:21-26** 

**NT** p. 17

"How low can you go?"

### SERMON

## MUSICAL INTERLUDE

#### HOLY COMMUNION

Christ welcomes to the table all who seek his presence. Today we will receive the bread and wine by intinction. Please come forward by the center aisle. Take a piece of bread from the basket, then dip it into either the wine in the cup with wine ribbon or the grape juice in the cup with grape juice ribbon. Consume both elements simultaneously and return to your pew for your personal prayer of thanksgiving by the outer aisle.

#### **OUR OFFERINGS**

OFFERTORY	Let Us Break Bread Together	Charles Callahan				
+DOXOLOGY 356	Praise God from Whom Al	l Blessings Flow				
+DEDICATION PRAYER						
+SHARING the PEACE						
JOYS and CONCERNS for PRAYER						
THE LORD'S PRAYER						

GENUINE from ROMANS 12:9-12, 17-21

**NT** p. 151

+HYMN 307 Now Thank We All Our God

#### +SENDING PRAYER

In the flaming bush you promised deliverance to your people, O God, and in the cross of Jesus you embraced our suffering and pain. In times of misery, show us the transforming power of your love that we may share the hope of your glory! *Amen* 

+POSTLUDE

Recessional

G.F.Handel

### For Our Prayers

Scott Burke - Dorothy Placek - Terry Meyer Paul Sutherland - Charles Wild People of Texas

### For Our Thoughts

I'm here to be me, which is taking a great deal longer than I had hoped. Anne Lamott, 21st century

Before I can tell my life what I want to do with it, I must listen to my life telling me who I am. Parker J. Palmer, 21st century

Vocation does not come from a voice 'out there' calling me to be something I am not. It comes from a voice 'in here' calling me to be the person I was born

to be, to fulfill the original selfhood given me at birth by God.

For each one of us, there is only one thing necessary: to fulfill our own destiny, according to God's will, to be what God wants us to be. *Thomas Merton, 20th century* 

We are not called upon to do all the good that is possible, but only that which we can do.

Mother Theodore Guerin, 19th century

Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers. Pray for powers equal to your tasks! Then the doing of your work shall be no miracle. But you shall be a miracle. Every day you shall wonder at yourself, at the richness of life which has come to you by the grace of God.

Phillips Brooks, 19th century, Trinity Church, Boston



## Search Committee Member Criteria

#### (From the UCC 'Selecting Your Search Committee' guidelines)

We are seeking <u>seven</u> to <u>nine</u> Search Committee members with a passionate commitment to St. Paul's as reflected by their:

Regular worship attendance and financial support Past or present involvement with areas of church life such as:

- \*Board or Council leadership \*Christian Education
- \*Mission projects \*Music Ministry
- \*Church Social Groups

Positive attitude with no outstanding grudges Open-mindedness instead of a pre-determined agenda Sense of integrity and respect for others

The importance of this work requires each member to make the Search Committee a high priority in the following ways:

- <u>A FAITH commitment</u>: Regular prayer and listening to God's "still small voice" during meetings, while reviewing profiles and interviewing candidates.
- <u>A TIME commitment</u>: Initially meeting weekly, then as often as needed to review profiles, schedule interviews and travel to hear the candidates preach.

<u>A CONFIDENTIALITY commitment</u>: Never to talk about the specifics of their work outside of the Committee, including the sharing of candidates' names or speaking in generalities about candidates' location, experience or gender.

<u>A CONSENSUS commitment</u>: Members need to be of one mind in recommending a prospective pastor. All must be able, with a clear and positive conscience, to support and endorse the individual presented to the congregation.

Please send name, contact info and a paragraph on why you would like to be a part of the search committee to tlakehopper@stpaulucc.org by September 15th. Thank you.

	Mission of the Church
Are you a <u>Scrapbooker</u> , Card Ma	ker, Jewelry Maker, or a Sewer?
What ever your craft, join us!! Sp	end the day doing what you like!!
MARK YOUR CALE	NDAR NOW!!!
What: All Day Crafting	
When: Saturday-September 30th	<sup>1</sup> 2017
8:30am – 4:00pm	5. 10
Where: St. Paul UCC 115 West B st (enter on C	(at)
Belleville, IL	· <u>SL</u> )
Adults: \$30.00 with lunch / \$251	
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#### FLOWERS, MUSIC & BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP

Sign up now to sponsor flowers, music or the bulletin each week. Many dates are available. Cost is \$30. Your sponsorship dedication is printed in the News & Notes and is a lovely way to honor the memory or achievement of your loved one. Sponsorship forms and sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board currently located at the office doors in the hallway. Please consider sponsoring flowers, music or bulletins for Sunday worship.

Exercise

Class

10am

Mondays

We want to know YOU are here! Please make sure to sign in the pew pad in your pew.



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.





### INTERESTED IN USHERING?

As you all know, our ushers perform a variety of duties and provide an important role in supporting our Sunday morning services. They also provide usher support at other church services such as on Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, as well as support our Fine Art performances, funerals, etc. We are always in need of additional people willing to serve in this role. However, as the fall



season approaches, our need is even greater. Several of our dedicated ushers have felt the need to step back from their commitment. We want to sincerely thank them for their dedication!!! Training is minimal and would be provided by one of our lead ushers with assistance, if required, from the head usher, Wayne Caughman. If interested in being a regular usher or even serving as a substitute, please speak to Wayne at church or call him anytime at 618, 791-0105. You could also talk to any of the Worship Board members if interested.

The St. Paul's Senior Community Foundation Board of Directors Cordially invites you to attend H Celebration 90 years of Faithful Caring H90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner Huction To benefit the Foundation Friday, September 29, 2017 6:30 p.m. St. Clair Country Club 100 South 78<sup>th</sup> Street Belleville, IQ Master of Ceremonies Mr. Roger Wigginton Huctioneer Mr. David Schumacher Entertainment by Twilight Band Reservations \$90 per person Black Tie Optional

<b>MAJOR SPONSO</b>	R OPPORTUNITIES				
St. Paul's Senior Community Foundation					
"A Celebration					
90 years of 3	Faithful Caring"				
Friday, September 29,20	017 St. Clair Country Club				
<ol> <li>DIAMOND \$7,500</li> <li>Reservations &amp; Champagne Event &amp; Program Recognition</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>2. RUBY</li> <li>\$5,000</li> <li>6 Reservations</li> <li>Event &amp; Program Recognition</li> </ul>				
<b>3.</b> EMERALD \$2,500 4 Reservations Event & Program Recognition	<ul> <li>4. SAPPHIRE \$1,000</li> <li>2 Reservations</li> <li>Event &amp; Program Recognition</li> </ul>				
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Please return form and check made payable to St. Paul's Senior Community Foundation by <i>FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2017</i> to: St. Paul UCC 115 West B Street, Belleville, IL 62220 Attn: Sandy Wagner					

UPCOMING Sept 4 Labor Day Sept 30 Crafty Mania! Oct 13 & 14 Rummage Sale Oct 20 Mouse Races Oct 28 SpooktactularMark your calendar for Women's Guild's Annual Founders Day meal/meeting at O'Charley's on Tuesday September 19th at 6:30 pm. We will order off the menu and enjoy fellowship together. See you there!	•	Paul UCC 9 am Worship Service Closed—Labor Day 1st Day MDO classes 9 am Quilters-Quilters Rm 10:30 Bus Mtg / 1:15 Staff 5pm Community Dinner 6pm Cub Scouts 4pm Masterworks 6pm Worship Bd 6:30 PFLAG 9:30 S&N Mtg 9:30 Fine Arts Mtg-Library 10am Centering Prayer
Are you interested in your Family History or in building a Family Tree? <i>Join Us!</i> The Genealogy Group will meet on Wed, Sept 20 at 10am in Genesis Rm.	9am / 10:45	<u>Weekly Attendance</u> <u>Aug 20, 2017</u> <u>Aug 19, 2016</u> 116/single serv 198/39
Gene Offering for 08/20/2017 - \$7,267.47 Giving to Date Budget to Total Budget	eral Fund \$439, \$	Needed each week \$14,023 300 476,782 \$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!