



“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!

Join us after 9am service for a meal prepared by the Culinaires!

9 am Traditional Service in the Sanctuary

10am Sunday School in the library

11am Celebration Service in Heritage Hall

Information for our friends ~

- Our **9am Traditional Service** is inspired with hymns, scripture and a theological based sermon. And our **11am Celebration Service** has a relaxed family-friendly message with contemporary Christian music. *Please feel free to try one or both styles of worship.*
- The Nursery is open during 9 am service (first classroom in the hallway off the sanctuary) If the small person gets wiggly, there are toys & books to enjoy.
- Hearing devices, large print bulletins, and large Bibles (in church library) are available, please see your ushers if you have any questions.
- Our Worship Service is broadcast on KSTL-690 AM radio & streamed on Jubilee690.com at 9am Sundays and repeated at 9pm.
- We want to know you!! Please sign the Pew Pad today. If you are new to St. Paul, want your information updated or with us every week– let us know you are here!! Please fill in your contact information and we will happily contact you as you wish.
- When you or a loved one is admitted to a hospital, please ask the hospital to notify the church office. If you have a new addition to your family, if your address or phone changes, please contact the church office so we can keep our records current.

LEADING THIS TIME OF WORSHIP

<i>Lay Reader</i>	Donna Davis
<i>Nursery Room</i>	Lisa Smith and Norma Franke
<i>Radio</i>	Brett White
<i>Sound / Control Room</i>	Rick Haar & Dana Rosenzweig
<i>Ushering Team</i>	Wayne Caughman and Joyce Maurer
<i>Welcome Center</i>	Fred & Carol Hotz, Sandy Ritter
<i>Director of Christian Education / Sunday School Teacher</i>	Tyler Kohrs
<i>Music Ministry</i>	Chancel Choir
<i>Director of Music Ministry</i>	Dan Fry
<i>Senior Pastor</i>	Rev. Michelle Torigian

St. Paul
United Church of Christ
Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 20, 2019 9:00 am

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Prelude

John Stanley

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: In God's light, we see light.

All: With God we are drenched in the fountain of light and life.

One: With God, we experience the river of delights

All: Experiencing the abundance of gifts from the Source of Life.

One: God's steadfast love extends from coast to coast

All: And from earth to heaven, returning again.

One: How treasured is the love of God

All: Seen in the decanting of talents and surplus of gifts.

INVOCATION (Unison)

Divine Decanter, you pour your spirit into our souls and your love into our hearts. Like the transformation of water to wine, our simple aptitudes are expanded to strengthen our world. In this space today, may we reflect on how to best use our gifts to better your Kin-dom and care for our neighbors. May we ponder the ways that we can encourage our spiritual siblings to utilize the gifts they carry on their journeys. Amen.

+OPENING HYMN

God of Change and Glory



1. God of change and glo - ry, God of time and space,
2. God of man - y col - ors, God of man - y signs,
3. Fresh-ness of the morn - ing, new-ness of each night,



when we fear the fu - ture, give to us your grace.
you have made us dif - ferent, bless - ing man - y kinds.
you are still cre - a - ting end - less love and light.



In the midst of chang-ing ways ive us still the grace to praise.
As the old ways dis - ap - pear, let your love cast out our fear.
This we see, as shad-ows part, man - y gifts from one great heart.



Man-y gifts, one Spir-it, one love known in man-y ways. In our dif-fer -



ence is bless-ing, from di-ver-si - ty we praise one Giv-er, one Word,



one Spir-it, one God known in man-y ways, hal-low-ing our



days, For the Giv-er, for the gifts, praise, praise, praise!

+UNISON PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION

God, we extinguish others' dreams in our quest to survive. We douse their hopes and their courage with discouragement. Because of our negativity and jealousy, they stop their quest to develop their gifts. Give us the vision to see that all of us have a place on this earth. Help us to seek success for all people – not just ourselves. May we become a team with our spiritual siblings so that we can use our talents to create a light-filled world. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GRACE

One: God, our Divine Decanter, is lavishing us with grace and boldness as we head into the future. Celebrate this abundance by sharing love and light with your neighbors.

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share a sign of the peace with one another.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT with Pastor Michelle

MISSION MOMENT

With You

Susan Relfe

ANTHEM

Many Gifts, One Spirit Mary Lynn Lightfoot
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 12:1-11 & John 2:1-11

SERMON

Spiritual Prods

+HYMN

Take My Life, God, Let It Be



1. Take my life, God, let it be con - se - crat - ed faith - ful - ly.
2. Take my spir - it, let it move at the im - pulse of your love.
3. Take my will; your will be done! Make your will and mine be one.
4. Take my love and help it grow; let my lov - ing ov - er - flow.



take my mo - ments and my days, let them flow in cease-less praise.
Take my in - tel - lect and use all its pow - ers as you choose.
Take my heart, and by your grace make of it your dwelling place.
Take me now, and help me be part of Christ's com - mu - ni - ty.

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE with 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.

RECEIVING OUR MORNING GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

One: We are vessels filled with the Spirit of Gifts. With the nudging of God and our neighbors, we explore the ways that we can utilize our talents and treasures for the health of the Kin-dom of God. As we gather our offerings today, let us reflect on the ways we can best employ our gifts.

OFFERTORY

Hymn of Hope

Felix Mendelssohn

+DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ in whom God's grace we know
Praise Spirit, with us evermore;
One God, triune, whom we adore. Amen.

+UNISON DEDICATION PRAYER

Spirit of Gifts, with gratitude we pour our talents for you. Stir our souls today. Move us to courageous ways of giving and encourage us to fill basins of hope for humanity. Amen.

+CLOSING HYMN

Forward Through the Ages



1. For - ward through the a - ges, in un - bro - ken line,
2. Wide grows God's do - min - ion, reign of love and peace;
3. Not a - lone we con - quer, not a - lone we fall;



move the faith - ful spir - its at the call di - vine;
for it we must la - bor, till all striv - ings cease.
in each loss or tri - umph, lose or tri - umph all.



Gifts in dif - fer - ing mea - sure, hearts of one ac - cord,
Proph - ets have pro - claimed it, teach - ers tes - ti - fied,
Bound by God's far pur - pose in one liv - ing whole,



man - i - fold in ser - vice, — one the sure re - ward.
po - ets sung its glo - ry, — mar - tyrs for it died.
move we on to - geth - er — to the shin - ing goal.

REFRAIN



For - ward through the a - ges, — in un - bro - ken line,



Move the faith - ful spir - its at the call di - vine.

BENEDICTION

One: As we head on our journeys this week, Divine Decanter-
Pour your courage into our souls.
Pour your love into our hearts.
Pour your vigor into our minds.
Fill our spiritual vessels to the brim so that we may
abundantly lavish life and light into our world.
Amen!

All: Amen!

+POSTLUDE

Fugue

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Worship Service for Epiphany 2C/Baptism of Christ written by Rev. Michelle L. Torigian

Please note: All services may be audio and / or video recorded.



NEWS NOTES

Jan 20, 2019



**SUNDAY
SCHOOL**

**10am
in the library**

SAFETY AND SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS FOR 2019

We hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas and is having a peaceful New Year. St. Paul is no different and as usual new year comes change. The first change of the year will be with security. For the safety and security of the congregation and visitors of St. Paul, as of January 2019 it is now required to have staff in-house anytime the church building is occupied.

This is a good practice for:

- 1) Safety - if there is an emergency, we know where people are in the building and will be better able to assist if needed.
- 2) Scheduling - being respectful of the church 's spaces and of others. The church is here for all to use - however this is a delicate balance between meetings, groups, activities, and....worship!

We are happy to work with everyone the best we can. Please call sooner rather than later for a space availability.

- 3) For our Insurance Company.

On Friday, January 4th the locks to the main key doors will have been changed, and a new pass code will be in place. Moving forward, only Staff, Executive Board Members and Head of Security will hold badge passes. All others who hold badge passes at this time are deactivated.

Have a safe new year!

Attention 2018 Council Members:

ANNUAL REPORT DEADLINE

Annual Reports are due in the church office by
TODAY - January 20, 2019. Thank you!

St. Paul UCC Christian Education Board is helping our youth begin a service project. The youth will be participating with and working on small projects with Region 9 for Kinder Cottage. Some items are needed to help with this project. The items are:



Shoe Boxes with lids,

Red or Valentine or brightly colored wrapping paper to tape around the box

Sweetheart candy hearts or other wrapped Valentine candy

Printed Valentine notes (packages for little ones to give to family or other children at KinderCottage)

There will be a donation box out in the Welcome Center that will be labeled Kinder Cottage Donations, if you would like to help. On behalf of the Christian Education Board and the youth of St. Paul UCC, we want to say thank you!

BLESSINGS ITEMS

We are looking to collect items for "Blessings Box" for those who are less fortunate.

Can you be a blessing to someone else?

These items are given out on Tuesdays to those who come to the Community Dinner and need a little assistance in life.

Items that are helpful and needed:

Bike locks, Clean blankets, clean coats, small containers of wipes, small bottles of sanitizer, individual heat packs, socks, gloves, hats, scarves, chapstick, combs, brushes, small packages of tissues, small first aid kits, deodorant, razor and shaving cream, toothbrush and paste, and personal notes of encouragement.

Please place in designated box or bring to church office. *Thank you!!*

Threads of Hope has baby quilts for sale for any occasion.

The quilts are all handmade with love by our quilters and profits go to St. Paul UCC.

There are many to choose from—for boys, girls and neutral colors.

If you are interested, please contact Sonja at 530-3897.



Teddy Bear



the
Little Girls



Choo-Choo



Pastor Herb Schafale's Retirement Celebration

**Join us in celebrating
Pastor Herb's
19 years as St. Paul UCC's
Visiting Pastor
&
60 Years of Ordained Ministry**

Sunday, February 3, 2019

9am Special Worship Service

Punch & Cake reception following service

at

St. Paul United Church of Christ

115 West B Street, Belleville

stpaulucc.org

Your presence is your gift.

VALENTINE DINNER THEATER
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Treat your Valentine to our very first St. Paul Fine Arts dinner theater on Saturday, February 9. Our Culinaire's will be serving dinner at 6:30 p.m. as the mystery begins to evolve. Tickets are available for purchase every Sunday in January in the Welcome & Activity Centers and through February 4 from the church office. The cost of the dinner is \$18. Sweet Treat booths will also be offering goodies for purchase. This promises to be an intriguing evening of delicious food and "whodunit" fun!

2019 Adult Mission Trip

The adult mission team has chosen to help with recovery efforts in Hattiesburg, MS the week of June 2 - 8. The city was devastated by a 2016 flood and a 2017 tornado. The recovery effort will build 400 new homes and rehab 1500 existing homes. If you are interested in the trip or would like more information, please contact Roger Harris (618.277.3805 / roger.harris@bankofamerica.com). Reservation deadline is March 31, 2019.



St. Paul Community Collection Corner

Located in the hallway, by long pew on the way to Heritage Hall.
This is where you can bring the items listed below - to help the groups and others listed.

- Community Interfaith Food Pantry
New non-perishable foods, school supplies, diapers and wipes.
- Blessing Box
Items given out on Tuesdays to those who come to the Community Dinner and need a little assistance in life (blankets, toiletries, socks, hats, scarves, gloves, etc)
- Waterman Shoe Project
Used, good condition shoes, wrapped in pairs with rubber band, no boxes please.
If you have large amount, please call before drop off.
- Newspaper Blue Sleeves
Clean and Dry, place in red cart to be reused by paper deliver people in area.
- Recycle Ink Cartridges for Baby Class
Baby Fun Stories and more will happily recycle your cartridges as a fundraiser for their class.

The Culinares will be cooking TODAY!
Join us after 9am service
for a wonderful meal
prepared by the Culinares.



Join us on
Sunday, Feb 10th
 9am Worship Service
 10: 15am Meeting

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



Are you interested
 in being a member
 of St. Paul UCC?
 Please contact
 Pastor Michelle
 or the church
 office.



REGISTER THROUGH ISCUCC.ORG



UCC RESOURCES

DAY OF DISCIPLESHIP

Saturday, Feb 23 9am-2pm
 at St. Paul UCC

Speaker Panel Includes:

Rev. Shana Johnson, ISC
 Heather Kimmel, UCC General Council
 Andy DeBraber, UCC Office of Phil, Tech, ID & Comm
 Holly Miller Shank, MESA
 Rep from the Pension Board



The 'Blue Book Barrel' for the
 Memorial Auxiliary Book Fair
 will return in our hallway this week!
 It will only be there for a short time
 while the group collects books.
 Thanks!



education programs by the alzheimer's association

St. Paul United Church of Christ will be hosting a series of free Alzheimer's education programs in 2019!

Classes will be from 12 – 1:30 p.m. on Sunday afternoons.

Location: St. Paul United Church of Christ
115 W. B St. | Belleville, IL 62220

January 20: Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia

February 17: 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's

March 17: Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body

April 28: Effective Communication Strategies

May 19: Understanding and Responding to Dementia Related Behaviors

Programs are free and open to the public!
Registration is requested. 800.272.3900 | alz.org/crf

UCC Resources



2019 DAY OF DISCIPLESHIP
UCC Resources: Tools for the Church
 Saturday, February 23, 2019
 St. Paul UCC, Belleville

WORKSHOPS FOR CHURCH MEMBERS

PURPOSE: To take home an abundance of information and resources

WHO: Interested Church Members Youth and Youth Leaders
 Council/Consistory/Committee Members Church Officers
 Delegates Christian Educators

WHEN: Saturday, February 23, 2019
 9:30 am – 2:00 pm (Registration begins at 9:00 am.)

WHERE: St. Paul UCC, 115 West "B" Street, Belleville, IL 62220 (A map is on the back.)

OUR PANEL SPEAKERS:

Heather Kimmel, UCC General Legal Counsel
 Rev. Malcolm Himshoot, Minister for Ministerial Calls and Transitions (member of the Ministerial Excellence, Support and Authorization (MESA) team)
 Rev. Andy DeBraber, Major Gifts Officer (member of the Office of Philanthropy, Technology, Identify and Communication (OPTIC) team)
 A representative from The Pension Boards of the United Church of Christ

9:00 am	Registration/Snacks
9:30 am	Welcome/Opening Prayer and Announcements
9:40 - 10:10 am	Introductions of Our Speakers
10:10-10:50 am	Presentation and Q & A: Heather Kimmel
10:50-11:30 am	Presentation and Q & A: Rev. Malcolm Himshoot
11:30 am -12:30 pm	Lunch (meal included in the registration fee)
12:30-1:10 pm	Presentation and Q & A: Rev. Andy DeBraber
1:10 -1:20 pm	10 minute break
1:20 -1:50 pm	Presentation and Q & A: The Pension Boards

Individual Registration Fees		
Individual Registration	By Feb 10	After Feb 10
	\$30	\$35
Registration Includes: An opportunity to hear about the denominational resources and support of which your local church can benefit.		

Clip form below and mail with check by **February 10, 2019 for early-bird discount** to

Illinois South Conference, 1312 Broadway, Highland, IL 62249.

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Day Of Discipleship Individual Registration Form

Note: Use separate registration form for **EACH** person registering. *Required information.

Name* _____ Region # _____

Street* _____

City* _____ State* _____ Zip* _____

E-mail* _____ Telephone* _____

Church Name* _____ City of Church* _____

Special Dietary Needs _____

In case of inclement weather, check the iscucc.org website for cancellation or postponement.

RESERVATION EARLY-BIRD DEADLINE February 10, 2019

Enclosed: Check # _____ Amount: \$ _____



For Our Prayers

Bruce Elser - Marsha McCoy - Bill Whicher - Alec & Karen Zaber

For Our Thoughts

The Secret of Change Is to Focus All of Your Energy, Not on Fighting the Old,
But on Building the New – *Socrates*

The two most important days in your life are the day you are born and the day you find out why. –
Mark Twain

— This week at — St. Paul UCC
 Please see stpaulucc.org for full calendar of events!

- Sun, Jan 20 **9am Traditional Service**
Culinaries
10am Sunday School
11am Celebration Service
- Mon, Jan 21 Closed in observance of
MLK, Jr Day
- Tues, Jan 22 **OSP Deadline**
9am Quilters
3pm Gov French
5pm Comm Dinner
- Wed, Jan 23 9:30 Baby Class
3pm Gov French
Band / Bells / Choir
- Thurs, Jan 24 MDO Muffins w/Moms (4y)
3pm Gov French
4pm Masterworks
6pm Basketball
6:15 Food Pantry Mtg
7pm Shufflers
- Fri, Jan 25 MDO Muffins w/Moms (4y)
- Sat, Jan 26 10am Centering Prayer
Craftymania



stpaulucc.org

GO GREEN
with your weekly offering!
 Did you know we can automatically debit your checking account for your weekly offering? This would enable the mission of St. Paul to continue even if you miss a Sunday offering and it simplifies our accounting. Go green and eliminate your envelopes! Interested? Contact Stephenie Bauza in the Church office.

Weekly Attendance	
9am / 11am	<u>Jan 6, 2019</u> <u>Jan 7, 2018</u>
	126/21 100/16

