



# NEWS NOTES

Jan 6, 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  
**January 20, 2019.** 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 the 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



Little Girls



Choo-Choo



*Pastor Herb is Retiring!*

Join us on Sunday, February 3rd for a special day honoring an extraordinary man. We will be celebrating Pastor Herb's 19 years with St. Paul UCC and 60 years in Ordained Ministry.



**The Culinares will be  
cooking on Jan 20th!!  
Join us today after 9am service  
for a wonderful meal  
prepared by the Culinares.**

**VALENTINE DINNER THEATER**  
**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9**

Treat your Valentine to our very first St. Paul Fine Arts dinner theater on Saturday, February 9. Our Culinaires will be serving dinner at 6:30 p.m. as the mystery begins to evolve. Tickets will be 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](mailto:roger.harris@bankofamerica.com)). Reservation deadline is March 31, 2019.



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**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

## Winter Weekend 2019 January 19-21

(over the Martin Luther King Jr weekend)

The event will take place at DuBois Center and the theme is "Speak Your Truth". The keynote speaker is Rev. Trayce Potter who is the Minister for Youth and Young Adult Engagement for the UCC.

The cost remains the same as last year at \$150 (early bird rate) or \$165 (late registrations) which includes lodging and meals. We plan to have the information and registration packet go out to the churches & youth leaders within the week, so watch your emails! We hope you will start to encourage your youth to attend this faith-filled and relationship-building event! Contact Tyler Kohrs about early registration.

If you are interested on sponsoring a youth for the Winter Weekend, please contact Tyler Kohrs for info.  
tkohrs@stpaulucc.org / 233-3303

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



## 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.
- 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.
- And NOW—Blessing Box!

Jayne and I wish to thank all who helped us celebrate our recent wedding in many ways. We appreciate the gifts and thoughtful cards and well-wishes. Best to you all in 2019!

Dan Fry



## **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](http://alz.org/crf)**



# CRAFTY MANIA

*Proceeds to Benefit: A Mission of the Church*

Are you a Scrapbooker, Card Maker, Jewelry Maker, or like to Sew?  
What ever your craft, join us!! Spend the day doing what you like!!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!!!

**What:** All Day Crafting  
**When:** Saturday –January 26, 2019\*  
8:30am – 4:00pm



*\*(if the event gets cancelled due to snow  
or low attendance, the new date would be March 23<sup>rd</sup>)\**

**Where:** St. Paul UCC  
115 West B Street (enter on C Street), Belleville, IL

**Adults:** \$30.00 with lunch / \$25 no lunch

Includes: snacks, vendors, reserved space, attendance prizes,

**Extended Hours Available!** 9am–10:00pm \$35.00 per person (meals served) / NO meals \$30

**Contact Person:** Diana Haar - [dmhaar@charter.net](mailto:dmhaar@charter.net) or  
Tina at St. Paul Church - (618) 233-3303

**\*\* ENTER RAFFLE TO WIN A CRICUT ACCESSORIES & other raffle items-  
Raffle tickets available for purchase at Crafty event!**

**\*\*\* Early bird registration due January 2<sup>nd</sup> (to be entered in special drawing)**

**Reservation Deadline is January 16<sup>th</sup>**

*\*Please remember **IF** the minimum is not met by the deadline, the event will be **CANCELLED!!***

**Make checks payable to:** St. Paul UCC

**Mail payment & reservation to:** St. Paul UCC  
115 West B Street, Belleville, IL 62220  
Attn: **Crafty Mania**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail (print clearly) \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to sit by \_\_\_\_\_

My craft is \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my payment of (please circle ONE below)

- 1 \$30.00 with lunch / \$25.00 no lunch                      9am – 4pm
- 2 \$35.00 with lunch & dinner/ \$30.00 no meals 9am – 10:00pm

Thank you!!!



## ***For Our Prayers***

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

## ***For Our Thoughts***

Just don't give up trying to do what you really want to do. Where there is love and inspiration,  
I don't think you can go wrong. *Ella Fitzgerald*

It is never too late to be what you might have been. *George Eliot*

Inspiration comes from within yourself. One has to be positive. When you're positive, good things happen.  
*Deep Roy*

**— This week at — St. Paul UCC**

Please see [stpaulucc.org](http://stpaulucc.org) for full calendar of events!

<u>Sun, Jan 6</u>	<b>9am Traditional Service</b> <b>10am Sunday School</b> <b>11am Celebration Service</b>
<u>Mon, Jan 7</u>	10am exercise class 1pm Staff Christmas 3pm Gov French 4:30 Girl Scouts 6pm Volleyball
<u>Tues, Jan 8</u>	9am Quilters 3pm Gov French 5pm Comm Dinner 7pm Shufflers
<u>Wed, Jan 9</u>	9:30 am Baby Class –HH 3pm Gov French Band / Bells / Choir
<u>Thurs, Jan 10</u>	3pm Gov French 4pm Masterworks Board Meetings 6pm Basketball
<u>Fri, Jan 11</u>	9am S&N Mtg 3pm Gov French
<u>Sat, Jan 12</u>	10am Centering Prayer 10am Homeless Community Meeting—AC 7:30pm Bville Philharmonic Piano Concert



[stpaulucc.org](http://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.