



for I am Spearfully and Wonderfully made Wonderfully made Poolm 139:14

Welcome to Worship at St. Paul UCC

We are glad you are here!

9 am Worship in the Sanctuary 10 am Sunday School

Information for our friends ~

- •Our **9am Worship Service** is inspired with hymns, scripture and a uplifting, theological based sermon, in a family friendly environment.
- •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	
Lay ReaderLou Ryseff	f
RadioSherri Štepp)
Sound / Control Room Tina LakeHopper and Rick Haar	r
Ushers Wayne Caughman, Donna Davis, Bob & Judy Harms, Scott Gentry, Terry Kalinowsk	i
Welcome Center Eric Gentry, Lana Gentry, Shirley Martin, Jerry Martin, Gloria Strohm	1
Director of Christian Education / Sunday School Teacher	š
Music MinistryRiley Lewis, Braden Neighbors, Jordyn Struense, and Madeline Ticknor	r
Organist / Pianist	•
Senior Pastor	

OT = Old Testament

NT = New Testament

† Please stand if able

St. Paul United Church of Christ

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost August 11, 2019 9:00 am

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Fanfare Jacques Lemmens

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: From the threads of tiny spiders to the wide eyes of lemurs,

All: God formed each structure.

One: From the gray matter in our brains to the valves in our hearts,

All: God designed each detail.

One: From the branches of the sequoias to the

granule cells in our brains,

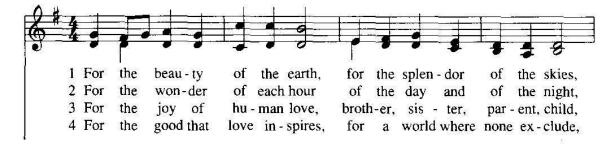
All: God's configuration of creation astounds us.

INVOCATION (Unison)

Loving God, Holy Presider, you created this world filled with fanfare, joy, and laughter. Through such bliss, we recognize your company. May your holy presence be seen in this space today. May the delight that only comes from you be experienced by all of us - your children - who are made in your illuminating image. Amen.



For the Beauty of the Earth





the For and sun and moon, and of light, vale, and tree and flower, stars Hill thoughts and mild, for all gen - tle Friends on earth, and friends a - bove, nev - er tires, and for ev - erv heart re-newed. For faith that



+PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION

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One: We are beautifully human, God. And we experience the brokenness that results from our limited, human adventure. Given that we cannot fully understand ourselves, we act in ways that fall short of your glory. We see ourselves and one another partially. We know only a fraction of you.

All: Clear our vision, God of Grace. May we work to see one another through your eyes. May we listen carefully to the stories of our neighbors. Affirm for us our existence as one of your children, and may we know that all of us are wonderfully made. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GRACE

One: Our God of Love delights when we work towards affirming the full humanity of our neighbors. Our God of Love revels in the moments when we can embrace our shortcomings and rectify our mistakes. May we move about our world celebrating each and every neighbor and loving ourselves through our holy lifelong adventure. Amen!

All: Amen! Thanks be to God!

+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: Blessing of Students and Teachers

SPECIAL MUSIC This is Me from Greatest Showman Pasek and J. Paul Riley Lewis, Braden Neighbors, Jordyn Struense, and Madeline Ticknor

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 139:1-18

SERMON This is Wonderfully-Made Me: The Greatest Showman

SPECIAL MUSIC From Now On from Greatest Showman Pasek and J. Paul Riley Lewis, Braden Neighbors, Jordyn Struense, and Madeline Ticknor

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE with 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.

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RECEIVING OUR MORNING GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

One: Holy God, Holy Ringleader, you've given us a three-ring circus to share our gifts. In one ring, we celebrate our talents, swinging from the sacred trapeze, and trusting the neighbors with whom we work. In the next ring we celebrate our time, walking a tightrope to ensure the balance of justice and mercy for the good of your world. In the third ring we celebrate our treasures, juggling our gifts wisely. Let us celebrate God's sacred festival by sharing our gifts in this space.

OFFERTORY A Million Dreams from Greatest Showman Pasek and J. Paul Riley Lewis, Braden Neighbors, Jordyn Struense, and Madeline Ticknor

+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

Divine Ringleader, through this place of reflection and celebration, we rejoice in the gifts you have bestowed upon us. You love us for the people that you created us to be. You celebrate our offerings of talents, time, and treasures. May these gifts be used to honor this congregation and affirm that all people that they are made in your image. Amen.

Information about today's service:

All St. Paul United Church of Christ services may be recorded.

Pieces of this service are often video recorded for our website, social media and over can be heard over the radio.

Call to Worship, Invocation, Prayer of Reconciliation, Assurance of Grace, Call to Offering, Prayer of Dedication, and Benediction written by Rev. Michelle L. Torigian

+CLOSING HYMN

All Things Bright and Beautiful



+BENEDICTION

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One: As the sun continues to rise in the sky

And the warm winds of summer begin to settle,

Know that God loves you for who you are today.

You are made in God's image!

Never doubt the magnificent creation you are.

For each of you are fearfully and wonderfully made.

Spread the word! All are made in God's image. Amen!

All: Amen!

POSTLUDE Toccata Theodore Dubois



Welcome

We're glad you're here!

News & Notes

Sunday mornings ~

9am Worship 10am Sunday School **stpaulucc.org**

Heritage Hall Meeting

Please join us on
Sunday, August11th (TODAY)
following the 9am service
for a short meeting to answer any
questions the congregation may
have about Heritage Hall and the
current renovation.

Join us for St. Paul UCC's 5 Week Summer Musical Series

Sunday, July 14 ~ Sunday, Aug 11

Each week, songs will be performed from each musical during our 9am service and connected to the sermon.

July 14 ~ Mary Poppins/Mary Poppins Returns

July 21 ~ Wicked

July 28 ~ Footloose

Aug 4 ~ Sound of Music

Aug 11 ~ Greatest Showman

ST. PAUL NOW HAS ONLINE GIVING!!!!

St Paul UCC Belleville has joined the world of Technology
by bringing Online Giving to our church.

Effective immediately you may now give to St Paul Church
electronically and pay by credit card, debit card or use your
bank account information. Simply log on to *stpaulucc.org* and click the
"Online Giving" button and follow the instructions.

You can use this form of donating towards the Operating Fund, Heritage
Hall, Building, Radio, a Memorial and more.

Your church has decided that the "old canoe" that worked so well when you were floating down the river, doesn't bring your church success when the world is navigating a new terrain of "mountain climbing." What to do? What to do? At this year's Annual Meeting, we will look at churches who are navigating new terrain...have gone from surviving to thriving...have their feet on the ground and are marching with the blessed assurance of transformative changes. They have listened to God's call and have adapted with repurposed buildings, the priesthood of lay leaders, interactive worship services and embracing the demographics of their communities. Witness fearlessness and hope. Adapt your paradigm to the reality of now. Transform your church. Find out what makes your church's heart sing. Would you like to be a delegate for St. Paul UCC at this year's Annual Meeting? If so, please contact Tina. Thanks!



Special Speaker
Sunday, August 18th
11am in the library
Jason Frazier, Director of Minds Eye
Minds Eye Virtual Newsstand



Minds Eye Radio, a virtual newsstand, is the reading impaired radio station located at the Shrine of the Snows. Join us for a great presentation about a group that helps anyone having difficulty reading, including those who cannot hold a newspaper or book, i.e. someone with Parkinson's or sight issues. Reading for the visually impaired is also a meaningful volunteer opportunity. Minds Eye is connecting people with vision loss to the news and entertainment to lead full lives.

Part of the With You Ministry of St. Paul

ST. PAUL FIESTA AT SCHARF FARM

Scharf Farm is hosting the Mingles & Singles Fundraiser event at Scharf Farm, Aug 24th at 6pm. Due to some of the food provided, we ask for an RSVP by AUG 16. It's \$10 per person and all of the proceeds go back into St. Paul UCC. Bring your own lawn chairs, drinks, appetizers/side dish/dessert. This will be a fun night in a beautiful setting, music and karaoke by Chris Ritter. So come one and all!! Please RSVP-Sandy Ritter 222-1123 or sandyritter@ymail.com. Let's make this a joyous time to end the summer and provide funds for St. Paul UCC. See you there!



Community Interfaith Food Pantry needs LOTS of reusable grocery bags!! The bags help get food to the homeless in our area. Please bring any to the food pantry or to the bin in our hallway.

Thank you.

TICKETS ON SALE SUNDAYS & OFFICE!

ST. PAUL NIGHT AT BUSCH STADIUM

CARDINAL BASEBALL!! FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 CARDINALS VS. BREWERS 7:15 pm game





\$20 per person (no children's ticket price)

Seats are in the Left Field Pavilion We'll have a panoramic view of the entire field!

The give away that evening is a

Cardinal Hockey Sweater for those 16 and older.

This is a fundraiser for St. Paul and our goal is to sell 300 tickets – so invite friends, family – everyone you know who's a baseball fan – even if they root for the Brewers!

If we reach our goal, 4 lucky ticket holders will win a pregame field visit to watch batting practice, we'll get a group photo, group recognition on the scoreboard during the game and, if available, sing God Bless America or Take Me Out to the Ballgame. Plus, we'll be earning \$\$ for

St. Paul while having a great evening of fun and fellowship! You just can't miss this event!!

Here are a few tips that might be helpful:

- *Only soft-sided coolers no larger than 16"x16"x8" are allowed in the stadium
- *No backpacks are allowed, unless it's a diaper bag
- *Factory sealed soda, water in clear plastic bottles, no larger than 2 liters, are allowed
- *No alcohol or non-alcoholic beer is allowed *Empty cups, mugs or plastic bottles are allowed
- *No aluminum containers, glass bottles, metal cans or thermoses are allowed
- *Food items are allowed but must fit in a bag no bigger than 16"x16"x8"

For questions about what you can bring to the stadium, see mlb.com/cardinals/ballpark/security.

Redbird Express Information:

- *Cost for round trip (cash only) adults \$5; ages 2 12 \$2; under 2 free
- *Buses leave (about every 5-8 minutes) beginning 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours before game time from the water tower at St. Clair Square in Fairview Heights and
 - if we know that we'll have more than 25 riders, we might be able to get our own bus
- *Drop off is at the corner of Clark & Broadway near Gates 5 & 6
- *The last bus leaves stadium -Clark Street between Broadway & 4th, 45 minutes after game ends

Let's make this a super success & start off our new church year with a home run!!

Brought to you by your St. Paul Stewardship Board

For Your Prayers

Marsha McCoy Dian Thom Bill Whicher Alec Zaber

Like to Help?

Do you have pictures of events here at St. Paul?

We are gathering pictures for a new pictorial directory. Send pictures to tlakehopper@stpaulucc.org

This Week

Sun, Aug 11 9am Worship

10am Sunday School 10am-HH Info meeting

Mon, Aug 12 10am exercise

6pm Mission Mtg

Tues, Aug 13 9am Quilters

5pm Comm Dinner

5pm Finance Mtg 5:30 NAMI

6:30 Shufflers

Wed, Aug 14 9:30 Baby Class

Thurs, Aug 15 6:30 Council Mtg

Pastor Michelle's Office Hours this week: Monday 8/12 9am-Noon Tuesday 8/13 9am-Noon Wednesday 8/14 1pm-4pm

> Please call Tina at 233-3303 for any scheduling questions. Thank you!

For Your Information

FLOWERS MUSIC & BULLETIN **SPONSORSHIPS**

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.

Thank You

Weekly Attendance

9am /11am July 28, 2019 July 29, 2018 121/Single Serv 132/21

General Fund Offering for 07/28/2019 - \$2169 Needed each week \$13,281 \$376.359 Giving to ... Budget to .. \$398,430 Total Budget \$690,615