

Welcome to Worship at St. Paul UCC

We are glad you are here!

9 am Worship in the Sanctuary 9:15 Pre-K Sunday School ~ Nursery 10 am Culinaries

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 Cry Room is open during 9 am service ~If the small person gets wiggly, there are toys & books to enjoy in this space.
- •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 Reader	Craig Bielke			
Radio				
Sound / Control Room	Dana Rosenzweig and Rick Haar			
UshersWayne Caughman, Sue Sutherland	, Joyce Maurer, Avery White, Carly Dahm			
Welcome Center				
Interim Choir Director	Dr. Tristan Frampton			
Organist / Pianist	Janet Spencer			
Senior Pastor				

OT = Old Testament

NT = New Testament

† Please stand if able

St. Paul United Church of Christ

Stewardship Sunday

November 17, 2019 9:00 am

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Choral Joseph Jongen

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God of the infants and toddlers

People: We worship you here.

One: God of the children, teens, and adults

People: We worship you here.

One: God who welcomes our service and gifts no matter our age

People: We worship you here.

One: God who loves all the children and bends us toward justice

for them

People: We worship you here.

All: Amen

INVOCATION

One: We are ready, O God.

Ready to hear your voice.

Ready to love.

Ready to shout with loud voices for those

without their own voice.

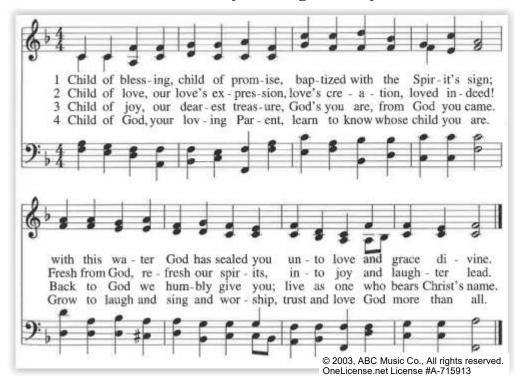
Ready to love all of your children with hands and hearts.

Come, Spirit of God, uphold our readiness. Amen.

Special thanks to cover artist Colette Smith, daughter of Lisa & Matthew Smith, granddaughter of Norma Franke. Colette is a graduate of Mother's Day Out.

+OPENING HYMN

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise



+PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION

One: Children may confront us with their vulnerability and need. Forgive us, O God, for forgetting that they are agents of hope and new life.

People: Jesus said: "Let the children come to me for they belong to the reign of God."

One: Images of children show us the reality of our world in this time: Fleeing children, hungry children, and children in vulnerable spaces. Forgive us, O God, for turning our faces from the evidence all around us.

People: Jesus said: "Let the children come to me for they belong to the reign of God."

All: Restore us from our ignorance. Restore us from our lack of compassion. Come into our hearts, O Holy One, and make us new, like children again. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GRACE

One: God's Grace is universal and seeks each of our hearts. Through Divine Grace, we are able to understand one another, live to serve, and love radically. May this mercy move us to offer our

love to God's children.

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

+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

STEWARDSHIP AND STAFF MOMENT

CHOIR ANTHEM Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above Michael Larkin

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE Luke 18:1-7 & Luke 19:13-15 1 Samuel 3:1-20

SERMON

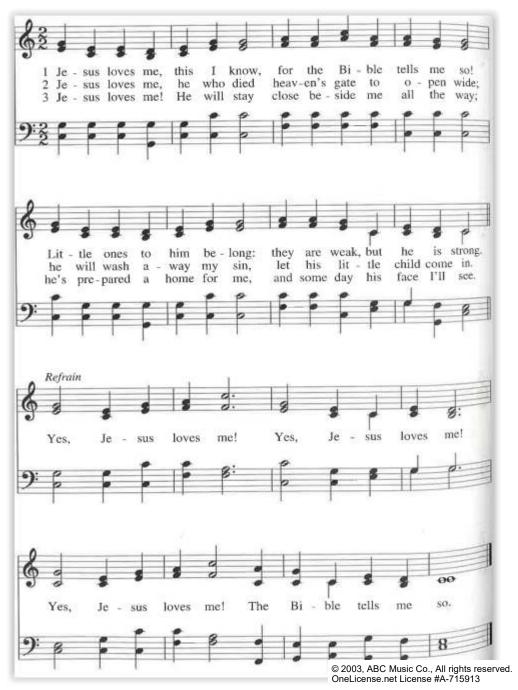
Love of Children





+HYMN

Jesus Loves Me



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.

RECEIVING OUR MORNING GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

One: When we were children, our hearts were filled with dreams. As adults, we have the chance to create a world which nurtures our children's hopes. In what ways can we be the church, fostering the dreams of our youth? In what ways can we extend our talents, time, and treasures to support the programs of our youth here at St. Paul UCC? As we give, let us vision the ways we can support our children in the year ahead.

OFFERTORY

Now Thank We All Our God from Cantata 79

J.S. Bach C.H. Trevor, arr

+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 Imagination, your visions allow us to hope. Your gifts of talents, treasures, and time make our dreams a reality. May your wisdom and courage move us to use these gifts to create your realm on earth. 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, Benediction based on 3 Great Loves: Love of Children Worship Service written by the Rev. Dr. Ivy Beckwith, Minister and Team Leader of the Faith Formation Ministry Team, UCC. Call to Offering, Prayer of Dedication, Assurance of Grace, written by Rev. Michelle L. Torigian.

+CLOSING HYMN

Go, My Children, With My Blessing



+BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

One: Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen. All: Amen.

POSTLUDE

God, We Give You Thanks

J.G Walther

Our Stewardship Highlights

Your St. Paul Christian Education Board

Members of your St. Paul Christian Education Board are:

Marlene Mueller, co-chair Sandy Ritter, co-chair Mary Lu Bretsch Syndi Kalinowski Craig Bielke, staff advisor



Craig Bielke, Director of Faith Formation & Care

Born, bred, and raised in the heart southwest of Texas, Craig meandered to the midwest to attend Eden Theological Seminary in Webster Groves, MO in 2009 where he met his now wife of 6 years, Katie Jo. They are making their life together in Crestwood, MO, and welcomed their first child, Bryan Stuart, in September 2019. Craig has an obsession passion for fishing, and outdoor activities like bicycling and camping.





Rachel Budko, Director of Mother's Day Out

Mother's Day Out

My name is Rachel Budko and I am the Director of St. Paul's MDO. I live in Columbia, IL with my husband Mike and our two children. My daughter Alaina is in kindergarten and my son, Michael is 2 and he is a student in the purple room here at St. Paul's MDO.

I went to college at Southern Illinois University Carbondale and have a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management. Shortly after college, I worked for Midwest Emergency Dept. Services, as the Director of Physician Recruitment for 13 years. After the birth of my daughter, my calling was to stay at home and raise our family. In 2007, I started a non-profit organization called The P.E.G. Helpline to help those affected by domestic violence. I also volunteer in the 3-5 year old children's room at my church, Christ United Methodist Church in Millstadt, IL.

Our Stewardship Highlights

Your St. Paul Mother's Day Out Teachers



I am Leah Beth Black and I teach in one of the 3 year old classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Mother's Day Out. I graduated from SIUE with a degree in Elementary Education. I am married and have 3 kids of my own ages 15, 11 and 7. I have almost 20 years of experience teaching children from preschool through 8th grade. This is my second full year teaching here at St. Paul's. I have a passion for teaching, sharing a love of learning, and music. My job teaching 3 year olds allows me to combine all of these passions into one! There's nothing better than creating a love for learning in a young child and helping them develop a solid foundation as they begin their career in education.



My name is Lindsey Davis. I have been involved with the Mother's Day Out program for several years. I have two children who came through the program and during that time I volunteered in the classrooms as a permanent helper and a substitute teacher. I am so excited to begin my fourth year with Mother's Day Out. It is such a joy and privilege to contribute to the education of these amazing children. I've been married to my husband for thirteen wonderful years and we have two beautiful children together. In my spare time I enjoy spending time with my family, camping, bike riding and all things outdoors.



My name is Diana Haar. This is my 19th year with MDO, it's the best job in the world. I love molding little minds and creating bonds, with the family's. I've been married for 34 years, I have 2 grown children & I have two granddaughters. I enjoy crafting & spending time with family.



My name is Jennifer Hadley. My father was in the military so I moved around a lot as a kid. I went to 7th-12th grade here in Belleville. I attended SEMO for college, where I received my degree in Education, and a minor in child life services. I went on to receive my masters in Education. After college I moved to Georgia where I lived for 12 years. I taught 2nd grade and Pre-K in Georgia. I have been married to James for 17 years, who is also in the military. We have 4 kids ages 16, 14, 11, and 6. I've been teaching at MDO for 5 years. I absolutely LOVE my job!



My name is Tonya Hasenstab. When my kids aged out of this program, I was so sad to not have any more kids to register and send! I offered to be on the sub list. One day as I was subbing, Jeana told me she would be hiring some teachers for that fall. She asked if I might be interested in applying. The idea caught me off-guard at first, I was a stay at home mom mostly to be able to volunteer at my kids' school. I warmed up to the idea of my own class and am now in my 4th year teaching 3s/4s in the Green Room. I love being able to take my littles in the kitchen frequently. The Green Room Bakers have quite the reputation now. My own kids are now in 6th & 4th grades and thankfully, I still have many opportunities to volunteer at their school and my church as well.

Your St. Paul Mother's Day Out Teachers



My name is Lynn McCullough. I have been involved with the St Paul MDO program for a long time. Watching children mature and learn is very gratifying. Some of my 1st students are grown and bringing their 'littles' to our program. Teaching here is a joy and I always say I have the cutest job possible!



My name is Amy LeGrand. I have always loved kids! When I was younger, I worked in several daycares, and in the nursery at my church. When I had my first child, I decided to stay at home. While I was a stay-at-home Mom, I worked in the Kids Gym at the YMCA. When both of my children entered elementary school, I volunteered in the Kindergarten and 1st grade classrooms. I started working at Mother's Day Out in 2010. I have worked in both the 2, 3 and 4 year old rooms. I absolutely LOVE teaching preschool and am very fortunate that I get to do what I love every day!



My name is Nicole McCullough and this is my 8th year being a part of the MDO family as a teacher. I fell in love with the MDO program in 2008 when my eldest son was a student. Having a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and being a teacher myself, I had high expectations for a preschool program. MDO did not disappoint! All four of my children have gone through the program and my youngest is in her final year now. I taught 1st grade for several years until I decided to stay at home full-time. In 2012, I was offered a position in the 4's classroom at MDO and have loved being a teacher here ever since! One of my favorite quotes from C.S. Lewis states, "Children are NOT a distraction from more important work. They are THE MOST important work."



My name is Kim Nunnally. I was born and raised in Belleville. I graduated from Belleville East High School. I attended Southwestern Illinois College and received my Accociatred in Early Childhood Eduations. I met my husband, Brad, while I was attending Belleville East High School. We have been married 12 years and have 2 children ages 10 and 6. I have worked on and off in childcare and preschool classrooms while taking time to be at home with both my kids. I have been teaching at MDO for 2 1/2 and have loved every minute!



My name is Laura Osborn. This is my first year as the 3 year old teacher in the red room and I am loving every minute of it. I have two wonderful children and currently live in O'Fallon. Jordan is 5 and currently in Kindergarten. She attended St. Paul for all three of her preschool years. Asher is 2, and he is currently in the two year old class here at St. Paul. I attended Illinois State University in Bloomington, Illinois, where I earned my Bachelor of Arts degree in English. In my spare time, I enjoy singing and playing the piano, and spending time with my family.



Welcome

We're glad you're here!

News & Notes

stpaulucc.org

Culinaires - Today!!



Peanut Squares on sale Sundays !!!



Join us for

Sunday School

We are pleased to introduce a new Pre-K Sunday School for littles age 2-5! And our wonderful Sunday School for kids 66 & up is also thriving!

Kids, come & see what's new!



Time: 9:15 after Children's Time Sundays: 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th Sundays

Sunday School - Library

Time: 10am (after service) Sundays: 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th Sundays See you Sunday!!

St. Paul Women's Guild

Tuesday, November 19 7:00 p.m.

We will be wrapping tissue boxes for Christmas gifts to the residents of St. Paul's Senior Community. Please bring a minimum of 5 Puffs tissue boxes – 96 count. (no lotion) Women's Guild meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Activity Center. JOIN US!





SHARE GOD'S LOVE THE THREE GREAT LOVES: NEIGHBOR, CHILDREN & CREATION

THE FIRST WEEK OF NOVEMBER

You will receive an envelope that will include a letter from Pastor Michelle, a budget Pie Chart with narrative and a pledge card. Please, prayerfully consider this important information. This year our focus will be intentional in regard to our St. Paul staff and programming.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

We will celebrate THE LOVE OF NEIGHBOR by spotlighting our office staff - Tina Lake-Hopper, Stephenie Bauza, and Donna Young as well as highlighting our Mission Board and the Interfaith Food Pantry. Everyone is invited to bring items for the pantry.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

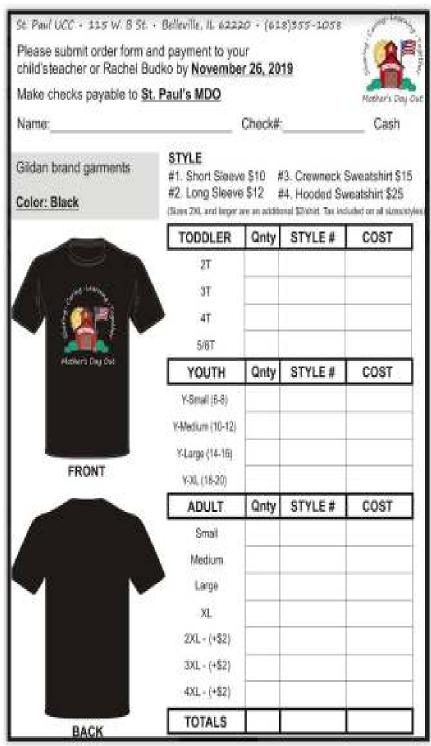
We will celebrate THE LOVE OF CHILDREN by lifting up our Mother's Day Out Teachers and Director Rachel Budko as well as our Christian Education Board. Everyone is invited to bring diapers and baby wipes.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

We will celebrate THE LOVE OF CREATION by recognizing our custodial staff - Patrick Kinney, Stephenie Elmore, Kyle Adams, and Nick Wilhelm as well as our Music Ministry including Interim Choir Director Dr. Tristan Frampton, Interim Glory Ringers Director Laura Sadler, and Interim Organist/Pianist Janet Spencer, and our Quilters "Threads of Hope", our Prayer Shawl Ministry, our Plarn Ministry, and our Business & Property Board. Yes, Creation takes many forms!

STEWARDSHIP IS THE CAREFUL AND RESPONSIBLE JOB OF SUPERVISING AND MANAGING SOMETHING ENTRUSTED IN ONE'S CARE.

Brought to you by your resident Stewardship Board



Help MDO collect
Items for the
Community
Interfaith Food
Pantry this
Holiday Season.
Please bring your items to
the church and place in
special boxes.

ITEMS NEEDED

Peanut Butter 18oz jars Jelly 2lb jars Spaghetti & (Dry) Pasta Spaghetti Sauce 24oz cans Cereal - Sweet & Unsweet 18oz Oatmeal 12oz Paper Towels Laundry Detergent Lg Dish Washing Soap Lg Salt & Pepper Diapers - all sizes Hamburger Helper Jiffy Corn Muffin Mix Chicken & Dumplings 24 oz cans Beef Stew 20 oz Can Tuna 5 & 12 oz Can Chicken 12.5oz Please remember ~ No glass containers & easy open tops are

No glass containers & easy open tops are helpful when serving the homeless community







Hoyleton Youth and Family Services, in partnership with Neighbors for Renewal, is pleased to announce a project where Neighbors for Renewal will provide housing refurbishment at a modest cost through volunteerism to allow Hoyleton to provide home-centered care to intellectually-challenged youths. We need your help!

For more information, please contact:

Drew Kramer, Neighbors for Renewal (618) 310-3777 - kdrew2020@gmail.com

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Alice Drobisch, Hoyleton Youth and Family Services (618) 688-7094 adrobisch@hoyleton.org

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Fairview Heights, IL 62208

For Your Prayers

Marsha McCoy Jan Meyer Dian Thom Margo Uhrig

History with Henke A hint of St. Paul history each week

Nov 13, 1940 - The Child Study Guild was organized, to provide a good wholesome family life for their children through the study of child psychology and to help all children to a better life. Nov 1944 - In spite of the fact that much expansion took place at St. Paul Church in the 30's (Renovation of the inside of the church at a cost of \$22,000 in 1936 and the dedication of Centennial Hall in Oct 1939 which cost \$32,000), St Paul Church was debt free and celebrated this event with a note-burning ceremony.

This Week

Sun, Nov 17 9am Worship

> **Pre-K Sunday School** 10am Culinaires - AC

Mon, Nov 18 10am Exercise

6:30 Volleyball

Tues, Nov 19 9am Quilters

5pm Comm Dinner 6pm Music Search Mtg 7pm Women's Guild

Wed, Nov 20 10am Genealogy Class Bells / Choir

Thurs, Nov 21 3pm Gov French

4pm Masterworks 6:30 Council

Sat, Nov 23 Centering Prayer

> Pastor Michelle's Office Hours this week: Mon-Tues 10am-noon & Thursday 2-5pm

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

For Your Information

St. Paul With You presents~



Life's Ups and Downs

Guest Speaker: Jodi Gardner, MSW, LCSW

TODAY 11am

Mark you calendars Hanging of the Greens Sunday, Nov 29

4pm

Weekly Attendance

9am /11am Nov 3, 2019 Nov 4, 2018 152/Single Serv 180/16

Offering for 11/03/2019 - \$40,202	General Fund	Needed each week	\$13,281
Giving to Budget to		\$538,605 \$584,364	. ,
Total Budget			\$690,615