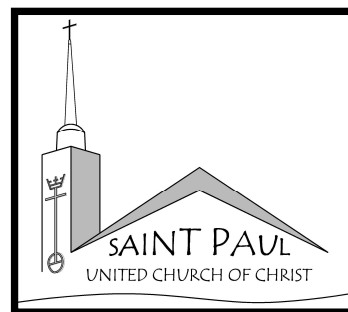


“No matter who you are,
No matter where you are
on life’s journey,
You are welcome here.”



Welcome to Worship

at St. Paul UCC

We are glad you are here!

9 am Worship in the Sanctuary
 9:15 am Pre K Sunday School ~ Nursery
 10 am Culinares brunch ~ Activities Center

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	
<i>Lay Reader</i>	Jan Friedrich
<i>Radio</i>	Brett White
<i>Sound / Control Room</i>	Rick Haar and Dana Rosenzweig
<i>Ushers</i>	Wayne Caughman, Sue Hoffmann, Fred Hotz, Joyce Maurer, Paul & Sue Sutherland
<i>Welcome Center</i>	Fred and Carol Hotz, Sandy Ritter
<i>Music Ministry</i>	Chancel Choir
<i>Music Director</i>	Dr. Bill Wade
<i>Senior Pastor</i>	Rev. Michelle Torigian

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

St. Paul United Church of Christ

Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 19, 2020 9:00 am

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

All Things Bright and Beautiful

arranged by Keith Kolander (b. 1955)

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: With trumpet and marimba, with flute and bassoon -

Many: We worship our God.

One: Through clapping and snapping, in singing and dancing -

Many: We worship our God.

One: Through drama and dance, through art and song-

Many: We worship our God.

One: In tradition and innovation, from generation to generation-

Many: With our whole hearts, we worship our God.

INVOCATION (Unison)

God of yesterdays, todays and tomorrows, you have put a sense of time within us. Help us learn from yesterday. Encourage us to take new healthy steps for tomorrow. And open us to the value this very moment, seeing your presence in our space. May we appreciate each person and each generation for what gifts they bring to our world. Amen.

+OPENING HYMN *Come Great God of All the Ages* (ABBOT'S LEIGH)

1 Come, great God of all the a - ges; make your earth - ly
 2 Come, Christ Je - sus, flesh and spir - it, sure foun - da - tion,
 3 Come, great Spir - it, in and with us, tune our ears to
 4 Come, O come, in cel - e - bra - tion, house - hold of the

mis - sion known; speak through ev - ery deed and per - son;
 cor - ner - stone; help us form the church e - ter - nal;
 hear your call; through the mov - ing of your pres - ence,
 one true God; in com - mit - ment and re - joic - ing

let your way and will be shown. Guide the church to true com -
 may your vi - sion be our own. Send a mes - sage to each
 let re - deem - ing love re - call min - is - try in ded - i -
 let us go where Christ has trod; as we act in faith and

mit - ment; give di - rec - tion now, we ask; fit us for the
 fol - lower; lead all peo - ple to your way; urge us to strong
 ca - tion, love em - bod - ied in our deeds; chal - lenge us to
 rev - erence, let us, Lord, the fu - ture see; place us in the



+PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION (Unison)

God of mercy, we often forget that you continue to speak to us in new words. You paint landscapes that we have never seen before. Yet, we turn our heads as you show us these new ways of living. We shun the ways that those before us have travelled. Help us to see your presence in generations past and generations to come. Open our ears to the voices of yesterday. Open our eyes to the paths of tomorrow. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GRACE

One: God forgives us of our wrongdoings and mistakes, thanks to the plentitude of God's grace and the abundant love of Christ Jesus. God continues to walk with us during all times in our lives and to call to us to new ways of understanding and living.

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 with Pastor Michelle

CHOIR ANTHEM

With a Voice in Singing

Martin Shaw (1875-1958)

REFRAIN: With a voice of singing

Declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!

Declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!

Utter it even unto the ends of the earth.

The Lord hath delivered his people, Alleluia!

The Lord hath delivered his people, Alleluia!

O be joyful in God, all ye lands,

O sing praises to the honour of his name,

Make his praise to be glorious. (Refrain)

Alleluia! Declare ye this, and let it be heard

Alleluia!

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 150

Ecclesiastes 3:1-13

SERMON

Reflecting the Light of God
from Generation to Generation

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: God called great prophets throughout the generations, and God calls us. God is generous, pouring out the gifts of grace and love and the life-giving power of the Word for all people. We respond with our renewed commitment to God's vision, and by giving our tithes and offerings to the ministries of God's church.

All: **Let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God in gratitude and praise.**

OFFERTORY *He Comes to Us as One Unknown*

Tune: C. Hubert Parry (1848-1918), setting by Robert J. Powell (b. 1932)

+DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (OLD 100th)*

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.

+DEDICATION PRAYER (Unison)

**God of the prophets, we bless this offering as people who have received your gifts of grace and hope. We return to you a portion of the abundance you have given to us. We dedicate all that we give, to your loving purposes:
bringing in those who have been cast out;
standing strong on behalf of those who are weak;
speaking out with your Word of joy and justice for all people.
May your loving realm increase! In Jesus' name: Amen.**

Information about today's service: All St. Paul United Church of Christ services may be recorded .

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Call to Worship, Opening Prayer, Prayer of Reconciliation and Assurance of Grace from the April 11, 2010 worship services at Zion United Church of Christ, Union, MO. Invitation to Offering and Prayer of Dedication from "Chosen as Witnesses": Service Prayers for the Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany written by John A. Nelson, Pastor and Teacher of Niantic Community Church, Niantic, Connecticut. Benediction from http://www.rexaehuntprogressive.com/liturgy_collection/year_c_liturgy_collection/year_c_liturgies_-_lenteast/easter7c1252013.html

+CLOSING HYMN

God, With Joy We Look Around Us (REGENT SQUARE)

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- 1) God, with joy we look around us
At your world's diversity.
Folk of every kind surround us
And you call your church to see:
All are made in your own image!
All are people whom you love!

- 2) In the times we've hurt each other,
Lord, we've hurt the ones you bless.
Hating sister, cursing brother,
We've denied what you express:
All are made in your own image!
All are people whom you love!

- 3) God, you sent a Savior to us,
Breaking walls that would divide.
By your Spirit, now work through us
As we witness side by side:
All are made in your own image!
All are people whom you love!

+BENEDICTION

One: Time has now come for us to leave this sacred place.
As we do, may we embrace the challenges of our lives and our world.
Before we gather here again:
may each of us bring happiness into another's life;
may we each be surprised by the gifts that surround us;
may each of us be enlivened by constant curiosity.
May the love of our abundant God, the grace of the Son,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit
enter our hearts this day, and forever more.

+BENEDICTION RESPONSE

May the God of Hope Go With Us (Sing 3 times)



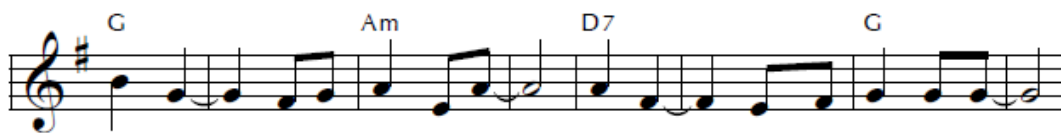
May the God of hope go with us ev - ery day, fill - ing all our
¡Dios de la es - pe - ran - za, da - nos go - zo y paz! Al mun - do en



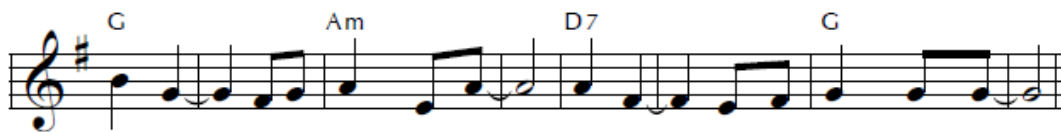
lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of jus - tice speed us
cri - sis, ha - bla tu ver - dad. Dios de la jus - ti - cia, mán - da -



on our way, bring - ing light and hope to ev - ery land and race.
nos tu luz, luz y es - pe - ran - za en la os - cu - ri - dad.



Pray - ing, let us work for peace; sing - ing, share our joy with all;
O - re - mos por la paz, can - te - mos de tu a - mor.



work - ing for a world that's new, faith - ful when we hear Christ's call.
Lu - che - mos por la paz, fie - les a ti, Se - ñor.

POSTLUDE

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright!

Tune: Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608), arranged by Mark Sedio (b. 1954)



Welcome

We're glad
you're here!

News & Notes

stpaulucc.org

We like when you are here
so, please let us you know you are here!!

When you sign in the pew pad, please sign in
complete information (first and last name, etc)
If there would be an emergency, we would use
these pads to know whose was where, when,
and complete information
is important for this process.
So, please be sure to fill
out the pew pad completely
every week!
Thanks!!



**The Blue Barrel for the Memorial
Auxiliary Book Fair has arrived!**

The Blue Barrel is located in the
hallway next to the
Community Collection Corner, and
will only be here for a short while!!
Bring your books when you come to
the church or if you have a large
amount, call the Memorial Hospital
Auxiliary for arrangements. Thanks!

Fireside Club

The Fireside Club will be meeting at
Cheddar's Restaurant
(in front of St. Clair Mall in Fairview Heights)
following service on Sunday, January 26th
Doors open at 10:30am
There will be no meeting in February.



THE BYLAW REVISIONS ARE ALMOST COMPLETE!

Your Bylaw Committee has been hard at work these past few months. Our task is to carefully revise our present bylaws in an effort to make them more efficient and flexible.

Some of the concepts we will be recommending will be quite different from the way we presently do business and govern ourselves. But we hope you will agree that the suggested changes will move us into the future with less cumbersome requirements.

Here's what you need to know about the timeline:

Sunday, December 8 immediately following the service at the Annual Congregational Budget Meeting, we will be asking the Congregation for permission to postpone the annual election until the Annual Meeting on February 8.

Sunday, December 22 the proposed Bylaw revisions will be available for you to read.

Sunday, January 5 immediately following the service, an informal meeting for Q & A will be held in the sanctuary

Sunday, January 12 immediately following the service, a Special Bylaw Meeting will be held in the sanctuary to vote on the proposed Bylaws.

Sunday, February 9 immediately following the service, elections will be held as part of the Annual Meeting agenda.

Thank you for your consideration concerning this most important effort.

Bylaw Committee:

Brett White	Mimi Llamas
Larry Walton	Dana Rosenzweig
Karen Keuss	Sandy Wagner, chair
Diane Drake	Pastor Michelle Torigian

CRAFTY MANIA

Proceeds to Benefit: A Mission of the Church

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

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!!!



What: All Day Crafting
When: Saturday –February 1st 2020
*****(if the event gets cancelled due to snow or low attendance, the new date would be April 18th)******
9:00am – 4:00pm

Where: St. Paul UCC
115 West B st (enter on C st)
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 or
St. Paul Church @ (618) 233-3303

****Raffle tickets will be available for purchase of a variety of items.**

***** Early bird registration due January 6th (to be entered in special drawing)**

Reservation Deadline is January 20th

******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 **Attn: Crafty Mania**
115 West B st
Belleville, IL 62220

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



Pre-Confirmation Classes starting in late January

Do you know a young person in sixth-eighth grade that may be interested in confirmation class?

We would love to have them join us for a pre-confirmation class on the fourth Sundays of each month following worship. For more information, contact Pastor Michelle.

RING IN 2020 WITH YOUTH PROGRAMS AT ST. PAUL UCC & CHRISTIAN ED

NEED VOLUNTEERS TO MAKE A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION to build a YOUNG AT HEART SPIRIT to support our youth programs created by Craig Bielke, our Director of Faith Formation & Care, and Pastor Michelle by participating in the life of St. Paul UCC.

BUILD A TEAM for an Event:

Bunny Breakfast - April 11 from 10am-noon

Vacation Bible School-June 22-26 from 6-8pm

Spooktacular - October TBD

Cookies with Santa - December 5 from 10am-noon

These events need a team of volunteers to help make it success!

Programs:

Any Age from 18-90 can sign up to participate and help chaperone in the different programs and activities. *ALL volunteers must have a current background check and paperwork on file in the office prior to volunteering. Takes approximately 2 weeks at most.

PreK Sunday School - 45 minute commitment in nursery during worship service,

programming prepared, assist lead teacher, all weeks but 1st **Sunday School** - Following service in the library, programming prepared,

assist lead teacher, all weeks but 3rd

Youth Group - meets first Wed of the month through May, 6-8pm

Youth Group Outreach Outings - usually Saturdays or evenings - Once a month Chaperone/ Building relationships with the youth & keeping them interested.

As you can see Christian Ed, Craig, Pastor Michelle have been very busy providing energetic and enthusiastic programs that will interest our youth. We can only build on this with ALL OF YOUR HELP. SO BECOME INVOLVED TO BUILD A VITAL PART OF THE FUTURE OF ST. PAUL UCC.

PLEASE CALL SANDY RITTER 222-1123 TO PICK YOUR DATES TO HELP.



at St. Paul UCC

Age 2-5: Pre-K Sunday School

Our Pre-K Sunday School takes place in our Nursery
Time: 9:15am after the Children's Time
Sundays: 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th

Age 6+: Sunday School

Our Sunday School takes place in our Library (for now)
Time: 10am (after service)
Sundays: 1st, 2nd, 4th, and 5th

For more information:

contact Craig 233-3303

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Friends, Food & Fun

(Formally known as *Mingles and Singles*)

Yearly Planning Meeting

(This meeting is to finalize tentative plans)

Friday, January 24th at 6:30pm

Judy Koch & Al Stahl's home

2345 Slammer Drive, Belleville

Please bring an appetizer to share and beverage of choice.

WELCOME to Dr. Bill Wade Our New Director of Music

Dr. Bill Wade is excited to join the staff at St. Paul UCC January 1, 2020. A native of Arlington, Texas, Bill has been music minister/organist in Saint Louis, MO for the last eleven years at Trinity Presbyterian Church and then Ferguson First Presbyterian Church. Bill has been an active church musician since age 14 and has served churches in TX, OK, KS and MO.

Bill is a former Dean of the Saint Louis Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, and is a member of the Presbyterian Association of Musicians, the Handbell Association of America and the Hymn Society of North America and Canada.

Dr. Wade is a retired physician, has a Masters degree in organ performance from Webster University, and a Masters in Public Health from Saint Louis University.



For Your Prayers

Marsha McCoy
Casey Randolph
Tim Ritter
Billy Pelc
Dian Thom
Margo Uhrig
Nancy Vieman

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

Feb 25, 1851 - The congregation decided to build a new church. (Although this decision was made in 1851, the new church was not built until 1861. This building is now used as Heritage Hall)

Feb 1854 - There are 153 pupils in the school and larger quarters were needed. (Remember, the little one-room church/school was still being used by our forefathers. Think about this enrollment)

This Week

Sun, Jan 19 **9am Worship**
9:15 Pre K Sunday School
Culinares - Activities Center

Mon, Jan 20 CLOSED for MLK, Jr Day

Tues, Jan 21 MDO
9am Quilters
5pm Comm Dinner
7pm Women's Guild

Wed, Jan 22 MDO
9:30 Baby Class
Bells / Choir

Thurs, Jan 23 MDO
1:30 Shufflers
3pm Gov French
4pm Masterworks
6pm HH Meeting

Fri, Jan 24 MDO
3pm Gov French
6:30 Youth Group Movie
Night- Theatre

Sat, Jan 25 Ctr Prayer

Pastor Michelle's Office Hours this week:
Tues 9am- noon Thurs 2pm -5pm

Call Tina at 233-3303
for any scheduling questions.

For Your Information

PRAYER REQUEST
Cards are now in the
church pews.
Please write your request
and place slip on the center
pew arm before service or
give to usher.

Weekly Attendance

	Jan 5, 2020	Jan 6, 2019
9am / 11am	136/Single	126/ 21

Offering for 1/05/2020 - \$16,762

General Fund

Needed each week \$13,778

Giving to... \$26,762
Budget to... \$13,778

Total Budget \$716,466