



"No matter who you are, No matter where you are on life's journey, You are welcome here."

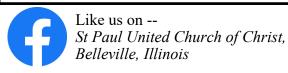
Welcome to Worship at St. Paul UCC

We are glad you are here!

9 am Worship ~ online

Information for our friends ~

- •Our **9am Virtual Worship Service** is inspired with hymns, scripture and a uplifting, theological based sermon and can be seen on Facebook live, on stpauluccorg (our website and watched at your convenience), and heard on KSTL-690 AM radio & streamed on Jubilee690.com at 9am Sundays and repeated at 9pm.
- Please send prayer requests by email to tlakehopper@stpaulucc.org or call the church office at 233-3303.
- We want to know you that you are listening / watching online! Please call, email or message us!
- If you would like a call or know someone who might need a call, please let us know.
- To continue your offering during this difficult time, go to https://acionlinegiving.com/4828 for online giving or contact the church office to set up automatic withdrawal.
- 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.





Watch videos on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/ stpauluccbelleville

St. Paul United Church of Christ

Pentecost Sunday May 31, 2020 9:00 am

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Veni, Creator Spiritus Sarum plainsong, mode VIII arr. by John Ferguson (b. 1941)

ENTRY INTO WORSHIP

Dream – God said. It's time for you to dream in ways you never have before. It's time for you to open up your soul to the expanding nature of my Spirit. It's time for you to share this joy with the people surrounding you. It's time for you to look deeply within you. Around you. In front of you. For the ways in which I am talking.

Dream – God said. In this space you will dream in ways you never have before. It's time for you to reconfigure the box you've put me in. It's time for you to knock down the barriers that you've placed between you and your neighbors. It's time for you to look at time and space through my clear lens. It's time for you to delight in the expansive ways we are church. And the creative, new ways we connect with one another.

Be amazed. Be perplexed. Get excited. Wrestle with the Holy. Dream.

INVOCATION

Restless Spirit, Fiery God, you ignite our souls with the flames of inspiration, even in seasons of quarantine and isolation, even in seasons away from church buildings and places we know. Light our dimly-lit minds, burn in our chilled hearts. Clear our lenses to see visions from afar. Kindle our sleep with your dreams. May we walk in the glowing path of Christ. Amen.

OPENING HYMN In the Midst of New Dimensions (NEW DIMENSIONS)





PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION

God of Open Spaces, we have tried to cram you into small boxes. We have repeatedly told ourselves that your dreams won't become a reality. We have devoted our time to locking out the Spirit as it tries to deliver its visions. Clear doubt from our minds. Let us be courageous in our attempts to create - especially in seasons of chaos and the unknown. May the hope and boldness of Pentecost become our new way of living. Amen.

ASSURACE OF GRACE

God's Spirit ushers grace into our lives. As the Spirit's hope endures forever, may the fires of possibility ignite our souls. The Spirit will transform our minds as she refills our spirits. May we see new ways of living and loving as we dream the Spirit's dream. Amen!

CHILDREN'S MOMENT with Craig Bielke

ANTHEM

A Pentecost Prayer Chancel Choir

Carson P. Cooman

O God, who on this day Taught the hearts of your faithful people By sending them the light Of your Holy Spirit

Grant us by the same Spirit
To have a right judgement in all things,
And evermore to rejoice,
In His Holy comfort,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Amen
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SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:1-21

Our Confirmands: Avery, Cady, Dani and Bryant

SERMON

Holy Chaos, Holy Creativity

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

STRENGTHENING THE CHURCH

Stephenie Bauza

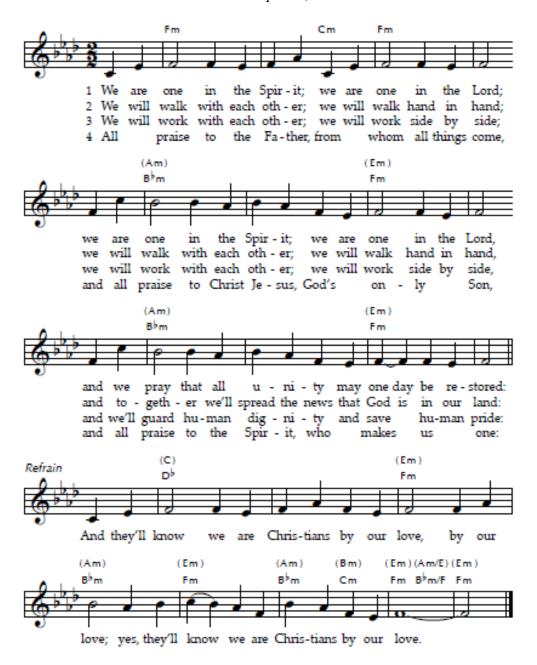
REFLECTION ON GIVING

The Spirit's winds are always nudging us to new ways of giving. How is God's Spirit asking us to contribute to our community during this season? As we reflect on our offerings of time and talent, we come together to offer God our praise through the giving of our treasures.

We pray together:

This is the time for us to dream together, Spirit of Visions. This is the time for our joy of giving and our imaginations to run wild with hope. With thanksgiving, we celebrate the gifts contributed as we commit to dream with you, Holy Spirit. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN We Are One In the Spirit (THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS)



BENEDICTION

We may be traveling roads not known. We may be experiencing chaos. Yet the Holy Winds of Imagination will lead from behind as we enter our Pentecost journey. The Holy Christ will lead from ahead, beckoning us to live in love. Our Holy God will lead from beside us, reminding us always we are never alone. Get excited – friends! For this is the time for us to dream and create in ways we never have before! Amen!

POSTLUDE

*Grand Choeur Dialogue in B Flat Major*Théodore Dubois (1837-1934)



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News & Notes

stpaulucc.org



FATHER'S DAY HONOR ROLL

Help DuBois Camp by remembering the special men in your life on Father's Day.

> Email information to: tlakehopper@stpaulucc.com

print and send this into the church along with your donation to the church office by Sunday, June 14th.

The Father's Day Honor Roll will be in the News & Notes and on the St Paul Facebook page on Father's Day, as well as emailed to each individual family that donates to the Father's Day Honor Roll.

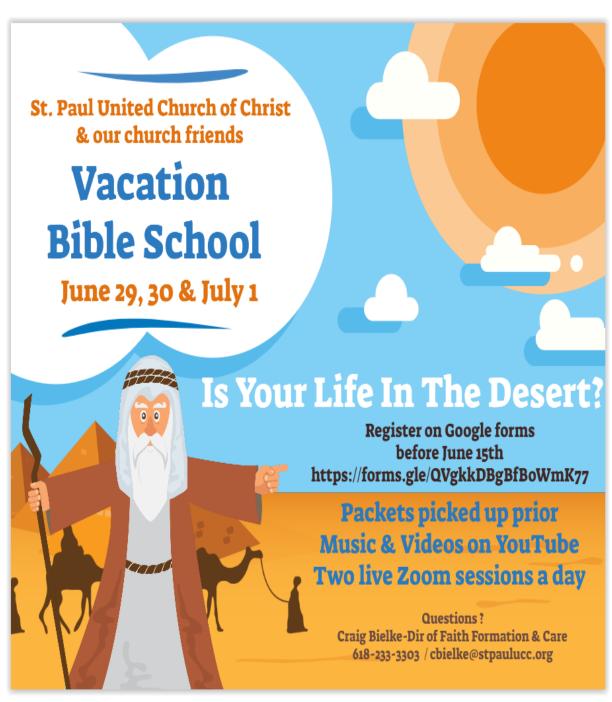
	In memory of	In honor of
Father/ Special Men's Name		
Your Name / From		
Your Phone Number		
Your Email		



Mother's Day Out

St. Paul Mother's Day Out Program will begin enrolling children for the 2020-2021 school year. Openings are available for children two through five years of age. Classes meet various days/week Monday through Friday from 9:40-1:00

If you are interested in enrolling your child please call Rachel Budko at 618-355-1058 or rachelmdo@stpaulucc.org for more information





P.E.G. Can Help Benefit Golf Scramble



Proceeds to Benefit: Domestic Violence Prevention

Saturday, June 20, 2020

Oak Valley Golf Course & Resort 1230 Abbey Lane - Pevely, Missouri 63070

Registration at 7:00 am • Shotgun start at 8:00 am
Lunch served at 12:30 pm

Entry Fee - \$85 per person

(Includes green fees, cart rental, post-tournament lunch and prizes)

18-hole 4 Person Team Scramble Mixed teams encouraged!

Guests welcome for lunch and post-tournament activities for \$15 per person

In-kind donations appreciated
Sponsor a hole for \$100 or three for \$200

To learn about P.E.G. Can Help, visit www.pegcanhelp.com

For more information call Rachel Budko (618) 534-4918 or email events@pegcanhelp.com

History with Henke

- August 10, 1839 Rev. Riess became very ill and was ill not able to serve the church for some time. A committee was appointed to see Rev. Riess and ask for his resignation so Rev. Flickinger could be called to serve St. Paul Church.
- August 22, 1852 Rev. Lepique of Highland was called to serve St. Paul Church. During this period, the school increased in size. The minutes indicate that no school tuition was charged for adopted children or for children of indigent parents. The third child was also granted free tuition. Rev. Lepique remained until 1855.

This Week

Sun, May 31

9am Worship - online 10am Zoom Social Hour

Wed, June 3

5pm Zoom Social Hour

Here is how to stay in touch with St. Paul!!

1) Watch the services and check for event updates on FACEBOOK -

Like us at St. Paul United Church of Christ Belleville, IL

- 2) Go to stpaulucc.org
- and you will find: videos of services, sermons, archives, and much more!!
 - 3) **Listen to the radio! 690am** 9am Live Sundays& repeat at 9pm
- 4) Sign up for the eNews (Newsletter)!

 Call the church office or
 email tlakehopper@stpaulucc.org

 Praying for your health and well-being!

For Your Prayers

The family of Marie Bade
Lynn Koehler
Marsha McCoy
Kenneth Oesterle
Billy Ruth Pelc
Rick Reeble, son of Sue & Larry Reeble
Sandy and Tim Ritter
Joan Sackmann
Patricia Valerius
Nancy Vieman

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send prayer requests to pastormichelle@stpaulucc.org or call 233-3303 /580-4440
Thank you!

Weekly Attendance

9am / 11am May 17, 2020 May 18, 2019 church online 121/single

This updated picture of our Offerings received now reflects only Operating and Building Offerings.

