

“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 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 stpaulucc.org 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.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor.....	Rev. Michelle Torigian
Director of Faith Formation & Care.....	Craig Bielke
Music Director	Dr. Bill Wade
Director of Non-Traditional Music.....	John Posth



Like us on --
St Paul United Church of Christ,
Belleville, Illinois



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

OT = Old Testament

NT = New Testament

† Please stand if able

St. Paul
United Church of Christ
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 30, 2020 9:00 am

WELCOME

PRELUDE

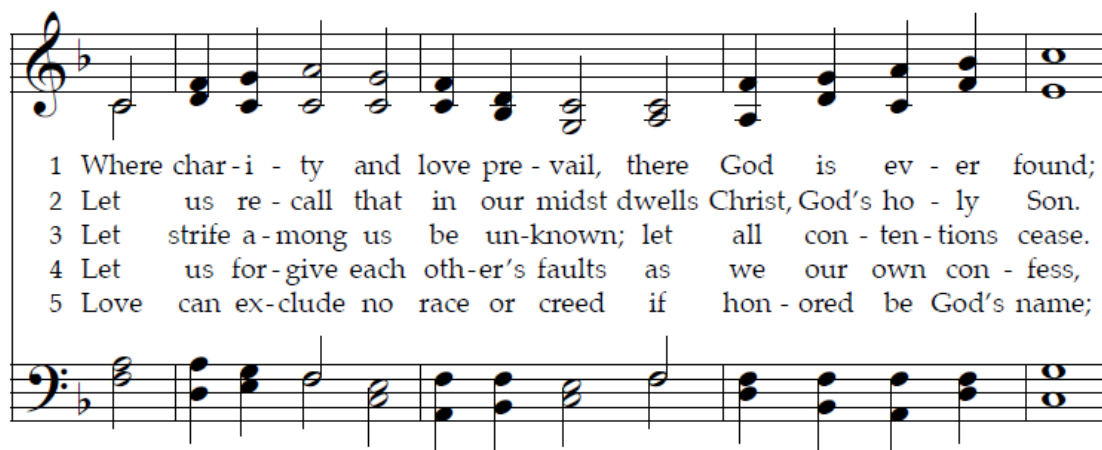
Reflection

Franklin W. Asper (1892-1973)

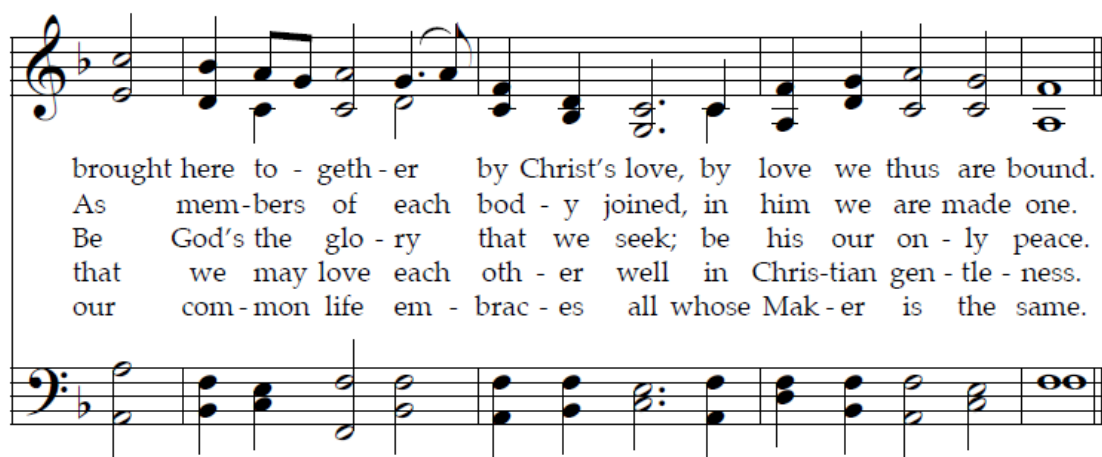
INVOCATION

Divine One,
from whom we seek a way to live that honors you,
come and remind us of the law
you have written on *our hearts*.
God of our being,
enter us by your Spirit
and show us how sweet Your words are.
Holy One of our yearning,
bring your comfort and strength to this gathering
that we may all partake of your wondrous love
and welcome you to our lives. Amen.

OPENING HYMN *Where Charity and Love Prevail*



1 Where char-i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;
2 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son.
3 Let strife a - mong us be un-known; let all con - ten - tions cease.
4 Let us for - give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,
5 Love can ex - clude no race or creed if hon - ored be God's name;



brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
As mem - bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.
Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.
that we may love each oth - er well in Chris - tian gen - tle - ness.
our com - mon life em - brac - es all whose Mak - er is the same.

PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION

Holy One, you offer us covenant and write your word on our hearts. Together we are the body of Christ, and each one of us has the responsibility, the desire, to respond to you in word and deed and love. Yet, although you are beside us, within us, above us, all around us we still manage to ignore you. We are pleased to be in your family, but when it is time to do chores in your household we are busy with other things! We are satisfied to receive your gifts but when it comes to passing on your abundance and saying where we got it we hesitate. We are happy to say an occasional prayer to you who are always with us, but when it comes to actually spending time with you, we are already scheduled up! Help us to be your people as you are our God—always and forever. Amen!

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

The God of Jacob, Israel, who names each of us as one of the chosen people, continues to supply our needs and be our constant companion. Though we struggle, we need not lose heart. The Holy One will not abandon: the Beloved is our grace, the healer of our lives. Though we sometimes grow weary, take heart, for our God is with us always to forgive us and remember our sin no more, to grant justice and to offer love.

ANTHEM

Jesus Shall Reign arr by Rachel Aarons
St. Paul Chancel Choir

CHILDREN’S TIME with Craig Bielke

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 32:22-31

SERMON

Wrestling With God

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

REFLECTION ON GIVING

Children of the Covenanting God, let us give generously today and always that God's work may be made manifest among all people.

With gratitude, we pray together:

God of our hearts, accept our offering and bless these gifts to your use in the name of Jesus, our Savior and our brother. Amen.


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Invocation, Prayer of Reconciliation, Assurance of Grace, Reflection on Giving and Benediction based on **Heart-Full Knowledge: Service Prayers for the Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost** was written by The Rev. Catherine Rolling, Acting Pastor of Glade Church, Blacksburg, VA. Jesus Shall Reign, is arranged by Rachel Aarons and is used with permission from St. James Music Press Account #17755.

CLOSING HYMN

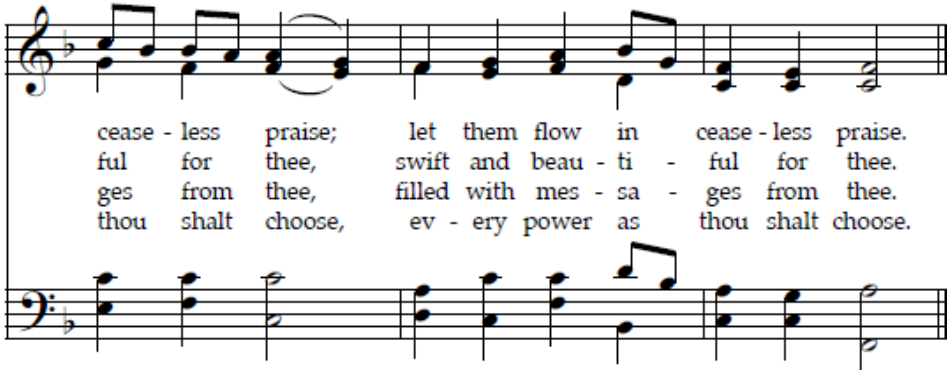
Take My Life and Let It Be (verses 1,5 & 6)



1 Take my life and let it be con-se - crat-ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al-ways, on - ly, for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with-hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as



cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
 it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 it shall be thy royal throne,
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 at thy feet its treasure store;
 take myself and I will be
 ever, only, all for thee,
 ever, only, all for thee.

BENEDICTION

We leave today, meditating on God's decree given in scripture and on our hearts. Let us find the Holy One day by day whether we are in times of joy or times of struggle. Let us go forth certain of the presence of our good God. Amen!

POSTLUDE

Pasticcio from Organ Book X

Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

COME AND JOIN US FOR
FUN & RELAXING WORSHIP SERVICE
UNDER THE SHADE TREES OF FIRST STREET

First Street Summer Worship

formally Beach Blanket Worship

SUNDAYS
AT
6 PM

NOW
THROUGH
SEPT 27



BRING A
CHAIR
WEAR YOUR
MASK
FRESH LIVE
MUSIC
EACH WEEK

NO BATHROOM ACCESS

ST. PAUL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
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Welcome

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News & Notes

stpaulucc.org

FLOWERS, MUSIC & BULLETIN SPONSORSHIPS

**Flower, Music and Bulletin
sponsorship are STILL available -
now ONLINE!**

Sign up now to sponsor virtual flowers, music or
bulletin each week by contacting the church office.

Online sponsorship will be in
eNews and Bulletin of chosen week.

\$30 for the sponsorship goes to help St. Paul Church.
Your sponsorship is a lovely way to honor the memory
or achievement of your loved one. Please consider
sponsoring flowers, music or bulletins for either
Sunday worship service.

St. Paul UCC *Love One Another* masks

Contact the Church office if
you would like one!!



Colors are:
Black, white, blue, and red.

Get yours now!!!



2019 St Paul UCC END ALZ Team




**You can be on the
Virtual St. Paul UCC Belleville Team
for the Annual Alzheimer's Walk
on Saturday, October 3rd**

This year might look a little different,
but the goal is the same --
to END ALZHEIMER'S

This year -

- ~join our team and send in your donation,
Team St Paul UCC Belleville!
- ~Get your friends & family to participate
via social media,
- ~ on Sat, Oct 3, take a pic of yourself walking
to END ALZ and send to your leader!

For questions, contact Susan Relfe
susanrelfe@att.net



Zoom Social Hour
Sundays at 10am
following 9am
virtual worship

Zoom Meeting ID:
867 605 6534
Join by phone:
1312 626 6799

History with Henke

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 1930's, St. Paul was debt free and celebrated this event with a note-burning event ceremony.

This Week

Sunday 9am Worship - online
10am Zoom Social Hour
6pm 1st Street Summer Worship
Wednesday 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 Kenneth Oesterle

Christopher Clark, Beverly Clark's son
Mary Ann & Joe Gain, Tammy Flach's parents
Lynn Koehler

Marsha McCoy Billy Ruth Pelc
Darwin Novak, Lou Ann Niemann's brother
Rick Reeble, son of Sue & Larry Reeble
Tim Ritter Joan Sackmann

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Weekly Attendance

	9am /11am	Aug 16, 2020	Aug 17, 2019
		52 /outside serv	128/single

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

