



“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!*

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9 am Worship ~ online

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### 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](http://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

<i>Senior Pastor</i> .....	Rev. Michelle Torigian
<i>Director of Faith Formation &amp; Care</i> .....	Craig Bielke
<i>Music Director</i> .....	Dr. Bill Wade
<i>Director of Non-Traditional Music</i> .....	John Posth



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Belleville, Illinois*



Watch videos on YouTube:  
[https://www.youtube.com/  
stpauluccbelleville](https://www.youtube.com/stpauluccbelleville)

OT = Old Testament

NT = New Testament

† Please stand if able

***St. Paul***  
***United Church of Christ***  
***Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost***  
September 27, 2020    9:00 am

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**WELCOME**

**PRELUDE**

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

arranged for Handbells by Kristine Johanek

**OPENING PRAYER**

# OPENING HYMN

## *This Is The Day*

(ESTE ES EL DÍA)

This is the day; this is the day;  
*¡Es - te es el dí - a, es - te es el dí - a,*

this is the day that God has made!  
*es - te es el dí - a que hi - zo Dios!*

1 O - pen, now, o - pen the door - ways of jus - tice!  
 2 I will sing prais - es be - cause you have heard me,  
 3 It is the Lord who has done all these won - ders.  
 4 Praise the Cre - a - tor, the Christ, and the Spir - it,

Let us be glad as we pass through those gates.  
 of - fering sal - va - tion with grace up - on grace,  
 I have seen mar - vel - ous, mar - vel - ous things.  
 from the be - gin - ning through worlds with - out end:

This is the place where the righ - teous may en - ter,  
 turn - ing the stone that the build - ers re - ject - ed  
 This is the day that the Lord has cre - at - ed.  
 God who is now and who ev - er - more shall be,

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(D) F (A7) C7 (D) *to Refrain*  
*F al Estribillo*

sing - ing to God with thanks - giv - ing and praise.  
 in - to the cor - ner - stone, rock of our faith.  
 Join the re - joic - ing as ev - ery heart sings:  
 glo - ry for - ev - er, a - men and a - men!

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of patience, your people grow weary. We complain and question. We put you to the test. We say “yes” to your Word, but our actions say no. When we wander off your path, when we fail to follow through on our good intentions, when we give our attention to trivial things; gently call us back to you. Empty our hearts of anger and pride. Empty our souls of greed and selfishness. Empty our minds of envy, doubt, and mistrust. As you poured out your very self through your beloved Son, pour your Spirit into our hearts today. Forgive us our wrongdoing. Reclaim us with your love.

## SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Friends in Christ, our God is patient, steadfast, and understanding. Christ hears our cries of repentance. The Lord knows our hearts, inside and out. The One who created us promises to care for us, even when we turn away. Hear these words of forgiveness. Be strengthened to walk as disciples. Trust in God's mercy. Amen.

## CHILDREN’S CHAT with Pastor Michelle

**ANTHEM**

*Praise Ye The Lord, The Almighty*

arr. for Handbells by Kristine Johanek

**SCRIPTURE**

Exodus 17:1-7

**SERMON**

Insert Inspirational Sermon Title Here

**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.

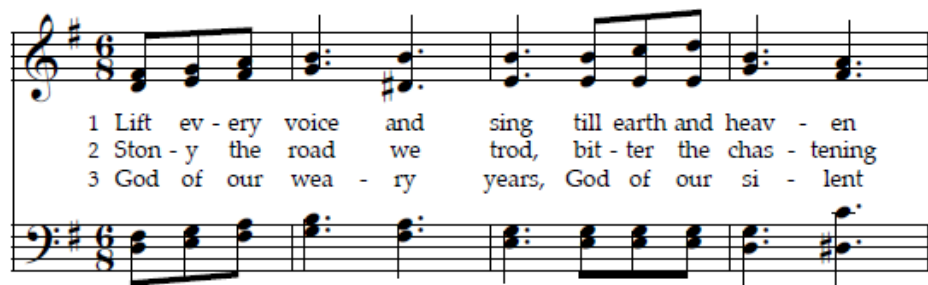
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

**REFLECTION ON GIVING**

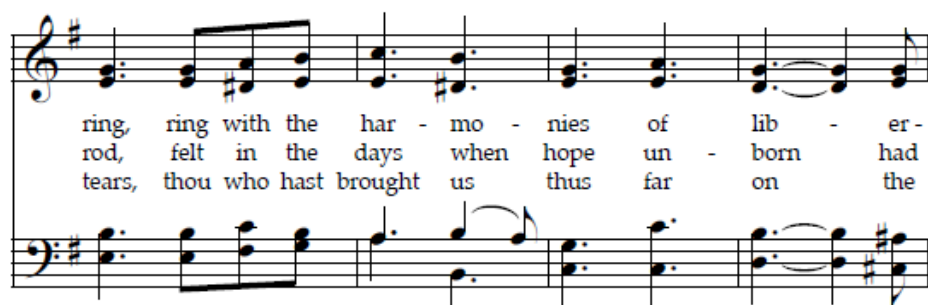
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# CLOSING HYMN

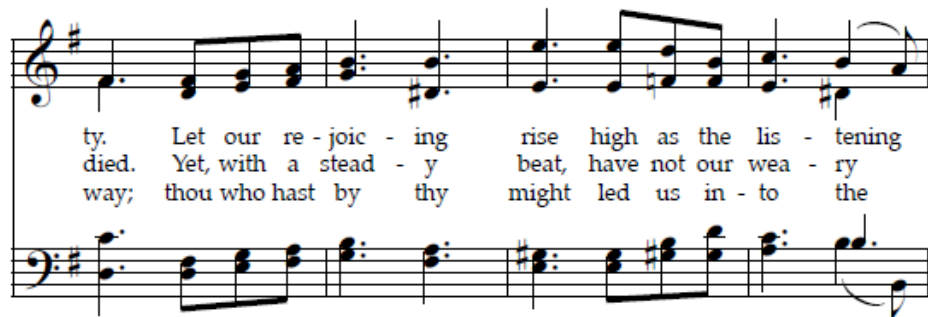
## *Lift Every Voice and Sing*



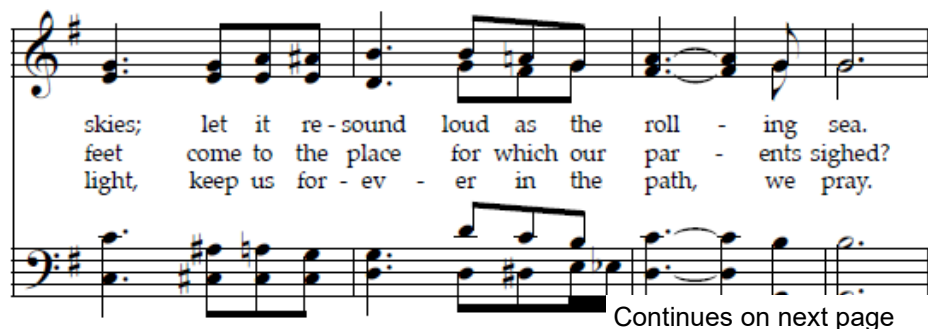
1 Lift ev - ery voice and sing till earth and heav - en  
 2 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - tering  
 3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent



ring, ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er -  
 rod, felt in the days when hope un - born had the  
 tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the




ty. Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - tening  
 died. Yet, with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry  
 way; thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the

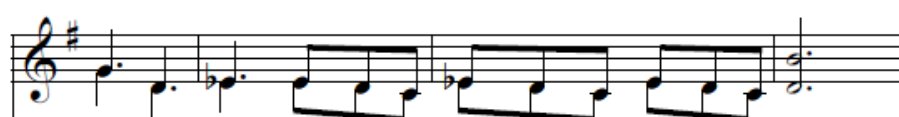


skies; let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.  
 feet come to the place for which our par - ents sighed?  
 light, keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.


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Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered;  
Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee;



sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought  
we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the slaugh -  
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get



us. Fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be -  
tered, out from the gloom - y past, till now we stand at  
thee; shad - owed be - neath thy hand may we for - ev - er



gun, let us march on, till vic - to - ry is won.  
last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.  
stand, true to our God, true to our na - tive land.



**COMMISSONING, CHARGE, BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**      *Fanfare and Finale on “Nicea” Piet Post (1919-1979)*

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



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# Welcome

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you're here!

News & Notes

[stpaulucc.org](http://stpaulucc.org)

## **VIRTUAL 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.



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

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



all children have the right to simply be children...

**UNLEASHING POTENTIAL (formerly Neighborhood Houses)  
OF ST. LOUIS, MO**

***“Unleash[ing] the magnificent potential in  
children, families and neighborhoods that leads  
to a just community for all.”***

**D**enise Carter, early childhood education director, was well aware of a rather large need within the population served by Neighborhood Houses. Many of the families are low wage earners, 75% of them earn less than \$20,000 annually. Truthfully, some simply struggle to provide many of basic needs for their children.

To that end, she designed a program to meet the health and development needs of infants and toddlers. Thus, the “Baby Essentials” program was birthed. The main goal was to provide diapers and formula for all of the children enrolled at the early childhood education center for families who could not afford a consistent supply.

credit:  
UP—early childhood webpage



Denise met with interim director of development, Christine Krueger, and shared her desire and need for funding. Christine went in search of those sources. She applied wherever she felt the need of the program matched the granters requirements. Fortunately, she filled out an application for a NIN direct service grant and was awarded \$3,000 in 2019.

In 2020, it was reported back to us that 100% of babies ages six weeks to 12 months received milk they needed while attending the Center. 50% of those babies also received one canister of formula per month for home consumption. Lastly, 100% of babies/toddlers ages six weeks to three years had diapers needed for Center and home use.

According to Christine, “thanks to the Neighbors in Need grant, our babies are dry and their tummies are full, and parents, who are already stressed financially, socially, and emotionally, have two less potential health issues with which to contend!”

Because of your generosity, direct service programs like that of Neighborhood Houses are grant funded, communities are strengthened, and neighbors experience love without judgment.

***all children have the right to simply be children...***

**Please join us in supporting the 2020 Neighbors In Need Special  
Mission Offering. Thank you!**



## History with Henke

Excerpt from *St Paul UCC - History of our First Church 1839-1860*

One of the actions he performed was appointing the first president of the trustees of the congregation. Selected was Adolph Hildebrandt, a gold smith by trade. The first secretary was August Hassel, a lawyer and a graduate of the University of Munich. These men were among those immigrants who had been forced to come to this country because of their political sympathies in Germany.

## This Week

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

**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](http://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](mailto:tlakehopper@stpaulucc.org)

Praying for your health and well-being!

## For Your Prayers

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

Diane Thom                      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](mailto:pastormichelle@stpaulucc.org)  
 or call 233-3303 /580-4440

Thank you!

## Weekly Attendance

9am /11am	<u>Sept 13, 2020</u>	<u>Sept 14, 2019</u>
	49 /outside serv	147/single

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

