



Sunday, June 20, 2021

“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

Information for our friends ~

- Our **9am In-Person and Virtual Worship Service** is inspired with hymns, scripture and a uplifting, theological-based sermon and can be seen on Facebook live, on stpaulucc.org (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. You can watch the online service anytime after it has begun.
- For those in attendance: please note that our services are recorded and you may be on camera.
- Please send prayer requests by email to dyoung@stpaulucc.org or call the church office at 618-233-3303.
- 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 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.

ST. PAUL WORSHIP LEADERS

<i>Senior Pastor</i>	Rev. Michelle Torigian
<i>Music Director</i>	Dr. Bill Wade
<i>Director of Non-Traditional Music</i>	John Posth



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St. Paul United Church of Christ

June 20, 2021
9:00 am

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor..... Rev. Michelle Torigian
Music Director Dr. Bill Wade
Liturgist..... Donna Davis

PRELUDE *The Glory of God in Nature*
Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

WELCOME Rev. Michelle Torigian

INVOCATION (unison)

Source of All Blessings,
The dawn of this week brings excitement for its new possibilities. Hope is born as we sing the songs of our faith this morning. Gratitude builds as we recall the blessings in our lives. Your Spirit inspires us as we dream of new ways to serve our world. This time of worship is the garden of blessings, and from this holy field, we harvest hope not only for us, but for our siblings across our communities. Amen.




Opening Hymn: *In Christ There is no East or West*

Text: John Oxenham; Music: Alexander Robert Reinagle

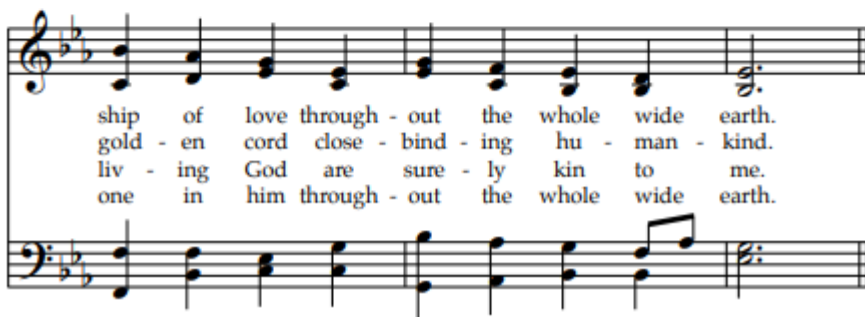
In Christ There Is No East or West 318



1 In Christ there is no east or west, in
2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their
3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what -
4 In Christ now meet both east and west; in



him no south or north, but one great fel - low -
high com - mu - nion find; his ser - vice is the
e'er your race may be. All chil - dren of the
him meet south and north. All Christ - ly souls are



ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.
gold - en cord close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.
liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.
one in him through - out the whole wide earth.

This text formed a very small part of an elaborate Christian missionary pageant in the early 20th century, yet it has endured while the grander aspects of that production have faded away. It is set to a simple 19th-century tune that does not get in the way of its message.

PRAYER OF REFLECTION

Loving God- In our hurry, in our worry, we've missed seeing your blessings surrounding us. We've become distracted in our care for your creation. So we take this time today to ask:

In what ways this week have we been a blessing to our neighbors?

How is it that we can revere you as the origin of our blessings?

How is it that we can deliver your blessings to your other children in this coming week?

We honor our relationship with you as we share our gratitude here and now and by loving our neighbors, being a blessing to this world. Amen.

CHILDREN'S CHAT

Pastor Michelle

ANTHEM

We Are One In the Spirit

Peter Scholtes, 1966; arr. John Posth

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 18:1-15

Colossians 3:10-17

SERMON

Be a Blessing

Pastor Michelle

A PRAYER FOR FATHER'S AND FATHERING DAY

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.



CLOSING HYMN: *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

Text: John Fawcett; Music: Johann Georg Nägeli; arr. Lowell Mason

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1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in
2 Be - fore our *Fa - ther's throne we pour our
3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual
4 When we are called to part, it gives us
5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of
ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our
bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each
in - ward pain; but we shall still be
shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.
friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

*Or "Maker's"

Written to express a pastor's unwillingness to leave a beloved congregation, this hymn is frequently used as an expression of Christian fellowship, especially at the conclusion of the Lord's Supper. The tune is attributed to an influential Swiss musician and publisher.

BLESSING OF THE GIFTS (UNISON)

God of Blessings,

In our excitement for our church, our community, and our world, we give with our whole hearts. Through our treasures, talents, and time, we fill our world with blessings. May blessings become contagious, rippling into this world one breath, one step, one act, one prayer at a time. Amen.

BENEDICTION

May your laughter be a blessing to those who are sad.
May your presence be a blessing to those who are lonely.
May your words be a blessing to those who desire encouragement.
May your hands be a blessing to those who have needs.
May your dreams be a blessing as you look at the week ahead.
May the God of hope, the Christ of faith, and the Spirit of visions drive us to design a world of blessings for all. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Sunday School March in G

Alexander Schreiner (1901-1987)

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

In Memory of:

In memory of my dad, Vincent Torigian by Michelle Torigian

In memory of my dad, A. Lloyd Culley by Jane Bonaldi

In memory of Wayne Pfingsten, Edwin Pfingsten & Nebah Ganim, by Sandra Pfingsten

In memory of my dad, William D. Kobernus by Pete Kobernus

In memory of my dad, Bill Davinroy by Sherry Davinroy

In memory of Elmer Perschbacher by Elgee & Jeanette Phillips

In memory of Rev. Edwin Beier by Gloria Strohm

In Honor of:

In honor of my husband, Elgee Phillips by Jeannette Phillips



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Today's liturgy is written by Rev. Michelle L. Torigian

What year saw the founding of our church's Fine Arts Committee?



This Week

For Your Prayers

Sundays

9am Traditional Worship
10:30am Zoom Social Hour
6pm Non-Traditional Worship

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

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9am Live Sundays & repeat at 9pm

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Phil McClary nephew of Lynn Koehler

Walter Beatty Lynn Koehler
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Al Stahl Sam Sivewright
Sherry Stepp

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send prayer requests to pastomichelle@stpaulucc.org
Or call 618-233-3303

Praying for your health and well-being!



Answer: 1990

Weekly Attendance

9am / 4pm June 6, 2021 54/23 June 7, 2020 All Virtual

Offering for 6/6/2021 - \$15,885

General Fund

Needed each week \$8,082

Giving to Date  \$172,866
Budget to..  \$185,886

Total Budget  \$420,256