

Our St. Paul

June 2021

YOUR St. Paul Team

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Please try St. Paul online giving!

St. Paul UCC Belleville has joined the
world of

Technology by bringing

Online Giving to our church. You may
now give to St Paul Church electronically
and pay by credit card, debit card or use
your bank account information.

Simply log on to stpaulucc.org and click
the "Online Giving" button and follow
the instructions. You can use this form of
donating towards the Heritage Hall,
Operating Fund, Building, Radio,
a Memorial and more.

When you or a loved one is admitted to a hospital, please ask the hospitals to notify the church office. Also please telephone the church Office regarding hospitalized members of the St. Paul faith family. The pastor and visitation team will visit church members and their families each week. If you have a new addition to your family, please contact the church office so we can keep our records current.

Your communication is crucial to our ministry!

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Material for inclusion may be sent to the church noted for *Our St. Paul*.

<u>ISSUE</u>	<u>DEADLINE</u>	<u>MAIL DATE</u>
July Issue	June 23	June 28

A Message from the Pastor and Council President about our upcoming Special Congregational Meeting on June 6

Dear St. Paul Friends,

This past year has been a unique challenge for many congregations. Not only did we have to experience time away from each other, but we are challenged with the continuing uphill struggle that comes with growing a Mainline Protestant church.

As we regather, we are reevaluating our various programs to see how we can best serve the people of our congregation and reach out to our community.

One of these conversations is the improvement of our technological system at St. Paul UCC.

Our time in quarantine forced us to focus our attention on using new forms of technology to keep connected to our congregants. Through the work of our staff and volunteers, we have been able to establish streaming services with the tools that we had on hand during a crucial time.

Like with the radio, many people are now streaming our worship services on their phones, iPad tablets, computers, and televisions. Not only do we have congregants who cannot be with us on Sunday mornings watching on Facebook, our website, or YouTube, but we also have people who have no connection to St. Paul watch our services as well.

As we continue our in person worship on Sunday mornings, we know that many of you will still sometimes watch our services from home at your convenience, when you are on vacation, when you are recovering from an illness, or when you have other plans on a Sunday morning. And we want to give you the most optimal worship experience possible whether you are worshipping remotely or in person.

Our goal is to upgrade our technology to improve not only the worship experience inside the sanctuary, but also for the ones who watch our streaming service on video at home.

On June 6, we will have a special congregational meeting to present a plan to restructure our technological system at St. Paul. Our staff and volunteers have devoted much time to gather this information. Included in our proposal is to improve the audio/visual streaming system, the sound system, the lighting in the sanctuary, and a half-time tech position. We will also discuss restoring the use of the bells in the bell tower and improving the acoustics in Heritage Hall. This proposal is approximately \$200,000. We will discuss how to best fund this, including a withdrawal from the Endowment Fund.

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We hope that you can attend this meeting either in person or through Zoom.

Like some of our neighboring churches, we realize how much we need these programs to be a relevant church for the twenty-first century. And we are called to keep up with the technology of our time in order to follow Jesus' request to "Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation." (Mark 16:15 NRSV). We look forward to having this conversation and making plans with you on June 6.

Blessings,
Rev. Michelle Torigian, Senior Pastor
Dr. Stephen Schmidt, President, Church Council

For those who would like to join the meeting remotely by Zoom:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8676056534> or by phone (312) 626-6799. This will be immediately following our worship service that morning at 10am.



From the DuBois Center website

The wait is over. Start planning your DuBois summer camp adventures now. Just starting out? An introductory camp like Camp Quest or Discovery Camp is a great first summer camp experience. Ready for a full week of fun? Horsin' Around or X-Plore might be right up your alley. Want to experience camp along with your kids? Just You and Me or Family Camp might be the perfect get-away this summer. Get all the details on our Summer Camp schedule.

Registration: If you were registered for Summer Camp last year, we will reach out to you by email next week with instructions on how to re-register for camp this year. **Online registration will open for everyone on April 26th.**

If you are unable to join us in person this summer, DuBois Delivered! will come to you.

For the links to these programs, go to <https://duboiscenter.org/plan-your-summer-camp-adventures-now/>

Scholarships available to St. Paul UCC Youth. Call the church for more details!

**hello
summer!**

**New space!
New time!
Begins June 6!**

**First Street Worship
is back for the
summer!**

**Begins June 6, 2021
New Time for Summer: 6pm**

**BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS
AND WORSHIP
ON FIRST STREET JUST
EAST OF THE CHURCH.**

stpaulucc.org

**Tuesday Morning
Bible Study Returns!**

**Beginning Tuesday, June 8 at 10:00 a.m.
St. Paul Library outside in the Garden**


A SIX-WEEK STUDY FACILITATED BY A LAY-LED
TEAM

JOIN YOUR CHURCH FRIENDS FOR THE UCC
PRODUCED "LISTEN UP" BIBLE STUDY SERIES. THE
STUDY BOOK, MARK PART 11-8 BY TALITHA
ARNOLD WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE.

CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE FOR MORE
INFORMATION.



**Welcome to Sherry
Wilhelm, our new Office
Coordinator, and Sue
Hoffmann, long-time
member and our new
Interim Mother's Day Out
Director!**



St. Paul United Church of Christ PRESENTS

Archives Artifacts

ST. PAUL TRIVIA FROM THE DESK OF ROGER HENKE

QUESTION: Our church has gone by different names in it's existence. How many names has St. Paul had? And how many can you name?

Questions about the question or would you like to know more about St. Paul history? Email Archivist Roger Henke at roger@stpaulucc.org

ANSWER: 7 names - 1) 1839 St Paul Church Congregation of Belleville 2) 1841 German Protestant Congregation of Belleville 3) 1842 German Protestant Church and School Congregation of Belleville 4) 1861 St. Paul German Free Protestant Church 5) 1919 St. Paul Evangelical Church 6) 1934 St. Paul United Church and Reformed Church 7) 1958 St. Paul United Church of Christ

SEEKING MUSICIANS

FOR ST. PAUL'S
NON-TRADITIONAL
WORSHIP

If you are interested, please reach out to John Posth, director of non-traditional music:
jposth@stpaulucc.org



Congratulations Confirmands!

CADENCE (CADY) KEPLAR

DANIELA (DANI) HERNANDEZ

TINA RAMERIZ

LAUREN SHEPARD

BRYANT STEEN

AVERY WHITE




ST. PAUL UCC VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



JUNE 21, 22, 23 FROM 6-8PM

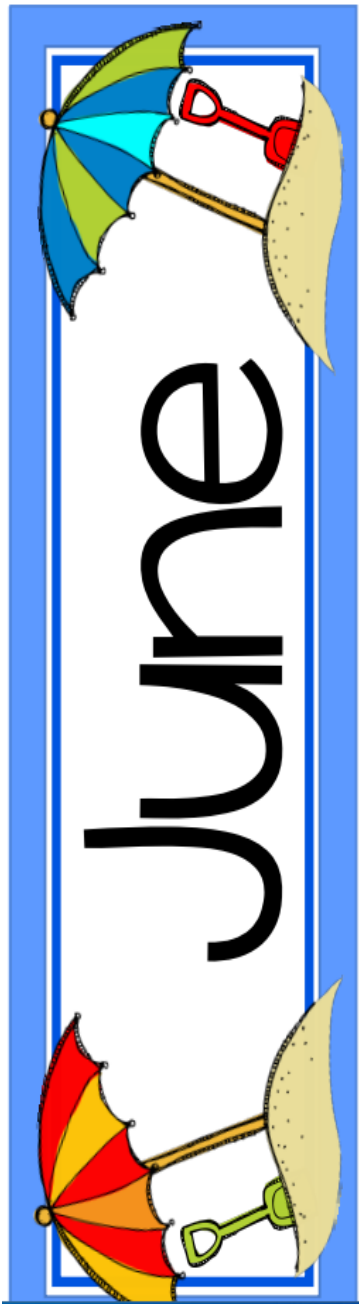
115 WEST 'B' ST., BELLEVILLE

Call 618.233.3303 or go to stpaulucc.org


St. Paul UCC's VBS will be in person this year! We invite children from age 3 through fifth grade to an island adventure—the Quest for God's Great Light at Discovery on Adventure Island Vacation Bible School. This adventure includes music, science, crafts, recreation, and memorable Bible stories that will help children know and share the light God shines in the world.

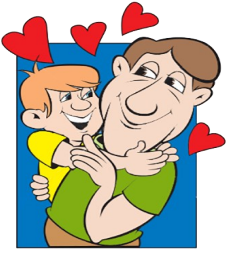
St. Paul UCC's VBS will be held at 115 West B Street, Belleville, Illinois and will run from Monday, June 21 through Wednesday, June 23 from 6-8pm. Masks will be required of all participating. Deadline for registration is June 14, 2021.

For more information or to register, go to call the church at 618-233-3303 or go to <https://st-paul-united-church-of-christ.mycokesburyvbs.com/>



Sun	Mon	Tue
		1 <i>National Say Something Nice Day</i>
6 9am Worship 10am Congregational Meeting 10:30 Zoom Social Hour 6pm Outdoor Worship *New Time* <i>D-Day Remembrance</i>	7 Executive Council 7pm	8 Stewardship Meeting 10:45am <i>National Best Friends D</i>
13 9am Worship 10:30 Zoom Social Hour 6pm Outdoor Worship	14 <i>Army Birthday</i>	15  <i>Nature Photography Da</i>
20 Father's Day 9am Worship 10:30 Zoom Social Hour 11:30 Social Justice Book Club 6pm Outdoor Worship <i>1st Day of Summer</i>	21 VBS 6-8pm	22 VBS 6-8pm
27 9am Worship 10:30 Zoom Social Hour 6pm Outdoor Worship	28	29
	<i>June is National PTSD Awareness Month and LGBTQ+ Pride Month</i>	

	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
y	2	3	4  <i>National Cheese Day</i>	5
ay	9 Property Meeting 6pm	10	11 <i>National Making Life Beautiful Day</i>	12 <i>National Loving Day</i>
y	16	17 Council Meeting 6pm <i>National Career Nurse Assistants Day</i>	18	19 <i>Juneteenth</i>
	23 VBS 6-8pm 5:30pm Bells (Summer break) 7:00pm Choir (Summer break)	24	25	26 <i>National Beautician's Day</i>
	30 5:30pm Bells (Summer break) 7:00pm Choir (Summer break)	1 50/50 Drawing		



Father's Day Honor Roll

Help the missions of St. Paul by remembering the special men in your life on Father's Day. Please fill in this sheet and return it along with your donation, and your listing will be on the Father's Day Honor Roll in the News & Notes on Father's Day. Please place information in the offering basket or bring to the church office by **Sunday, June 13.**

Circle One:

In memory of

In honor of

Father/ Special Men's Name _____

Your Name /

From _____

Your Phone Number _____

Email

PRESCHOOL

REGISTRATION

April 12th, 2021



Mother's Day Out

**A creative learning program
for children ages 3-5**

- Caring and enriched environment for children to grow socially, emotionally, intellectually and physically.
- Well-respected program for more than 40 years.
- Warm family atmosphere with highly qualified professional staff
- Daily we emphasize our motto of sharing, caring and learning together

St. Paul MDO

115 W. B St. Belleville, IL 62220

618-355-1058

We offer 3 day classes that meet from
9am-12:20pm

www.stpaulmdo.org

Schedule a tour or make an appointment to come see the facility



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Birthdays & Anniversaries

June Anniversaries

6/6 Jim & Donna Young
6/7 Drew & Sandra
Kramer
6/9 Brett & Elise White
6/15 Wesley & Sandra
Krummrich
6/17 Rick & Diane Drake
6/17 Alan & Karen Keuss
6/19 Fred & Carol Hotz
6/20 Elgee & Jeanette
Phillips
6/20 Terry & Roxy Collins
6/21 James & Joyce Bevirt
6/22 Ryan & Amy Florek
6/23 Duane & Jerilyn
Hausmann
6/30 Craig & Kathleen Liddy

June Birthdays

6/2 Susan Reeble
6/3 Rusty Wagner
6/4 Debra Hailstone
6/5 Dawson Anderson
6/6 Ann Holiday
6/7 Viola Nettleton
6/10 Pete Kobernus
6/13 Skylar Anderson
6/15 Joyce Bevirt
6/16 Rob Naylor
6/17 Jessica Poirot
6/17 Mona Scheibel
6/17 Logan Anderson
6/20 Hayden Quandt
6/21 Nancy Beasley
6/22 Amber Flach
6/22 Neal Holliday

6/29 Karen Zaber
6/30 Norma Franke



Current Covid-19 Guidelines at St. Paul UCC

The past and current Covid-19 safety guidelines at St. Paul take into account all of our congregants, including our children and the most vulnerable. With this in mind, the following are updated guidelines:

- * We will not be taking temperatures from this point forward or registering for the 9am services.
 - * We have room for 100 at each indoor service.
 - * We are no longer requiring masks at our outdoor worship. Masks continue to be encouraged, especially when group singing. We also ask that we continue to practice distancing.
 - * We **highly encourage masks** at our indoor services which includes worship, weddings, funerals, etc. and ask that people who are not vaccinated to wear one. We look to start congregational singing during the month of June, and this will help us comfortably start the process. Again, we ask that we continue to practice distancing.
 - * Masks will be required by both adults and youth wherever youth are present (as many 12-15 year olds still aren't fully vaccinated and vaccines aren't available to those under 12). We will require masks for all adults and youth at VBS in June.
 - * With groups approximately 15 or less, if all have been vaccinated, the members are not required to wear masks. Masks are always encouraged, especially for those who have underlying health conditions.
- This updated list of guidelines will continue to be evaluated and updated as needed with the guidance of our regathering team and executive council. Thank you for all that you have done and continue to do to ensure this pandemic comes to an end and for your patience as we navigate what we hope are the final months of this pandemic.

Revenues	<u>2021 Final Budget</u>	<u>2021 Apr Actuals</u>	<u>YTD Actuals</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Congregational Offerings	\$400,256.18	\$39,720.66	\$126,101.76	31.51%
MDO Tuition/Other Income	\$81,450.00	8108.75	21,302.75	26.15%
MDO Fundraiser / Memorials	\$0.00	42.00	806.00	N/A
Special Stewardship Events	\$3,000.00	20.00	1,633.00	54.43%
Rental Income - 205 W B Street	\$9,900.00	825.00	3,300.00	33.33%
Building Fund	\$20,000.00	858.00	5,943.00	29.72%
Outreach / Various Missions	\$0.00	870.00	13,033.27	N/A
Memorials	\$11,000.00	1,555	3,555.00	32.32%
Bequests	\$0.00	0.00	10,000.00	N/A
Building Income	\$0.00	350	550.00	
Pastoral Honorarium	\$1,200.00	0.00	450.00	37.50%
Pastoral Expense Revenue	\$0.00	0.00	5.00	N/A
Investment Income / Michelson Income	\$11,000.00	0.00	22,365.00	203.32%
Endowment Distribution (per guidelines)	\$72,750.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
Endowment Distribution (Cap. Exp.)	\$25,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
Other Income	\$4,500.00	23.33	61.96	1.38%
Total Operating Revenues	\$640,056.18	\$52,372.74	\$209,106.74	32.67%
Team Revenues	\$10,000.00	1,007.78	2,525.72	
Capital Expenses			\$0.00	
HH Window Repair & Paint			\$0.00	
Grand Total	\$650,056.18	\$53,380.52	\$211,632.46	32.56%
Expenses				
Personnel	(\$319,711.18)	(\$22,099.08)	(\$97,720.45)	30.57%
Administrative Support (formerly Operating Expenses)	(39,400.00)	(2,415.85)	(11,447.16)	29.05%
Outreach (formerly Mission Board)	(14,425.00)	(2,247.49)	(10,267.47)	71.18%
Education (MDO listed separately)	(3,275.00)	(174.99)	92.39	-2.82%
Stewardship	(1,425.00)	(362.83)	(1,498.11)	105.13%
Property	(179,215.00)	(10,835.51)	(53,549.55)	30.56%
Congregational Care (formerly Worship Bd)	(15,155.00)	(1,284.98)	(2,242.98)	14.80%
MDO	(81,450.00)	(8,080.34)	(30,947.03)	38.00%
General Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A
Total Operating Expense	(650,056.18)	(47,501.07)	(207,580.36)	31.93%
Difference between Revenue & Expenses		\$5,879.45	\$4,052.10	

MEMORIALS AND GIFTS

The following memorials and gifts have been received by St. Paul Church:
TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

IMO Marilee Black

Kent Black

IMO Rhandi

Linda Toussaint

IMO Ken Oesterle

Darwin & Mary Lu Bretsch

IMO Emma Lee Wunderlich

Osceola & Kenneth Mueller

IMO Dorothea (Dottie)

Engelsdorfer

Gloria Strohm

Mike Eckert

Lynn Koehler

Kris & Lynnwood Mueller

Larry Walton

Janet Spencer

Carol & Neil Stamp

Pam & Bruce Elser

Mary Lu & Darwin Bretsch

Paul & Sue Sutherland

Rusty & Sandy Wagner

Jane Bonaldi

Perl & Carolyn Hazelip

Ken & Angie Nettleton

Gay Eckert

Elgee & Jeanette Phillips

IMO Ray Lewis

Dolly Kirsch

Dorothy & Gordon Maiworm

IMO Marilyn Young

Alpha Omicron Chapter, Beta

Sigma Phi

Gary Buckrod

Jane Bonaldi

Ken & Angie Nettleton

Lynn & Luci Bradley

Jan Spencer

Dolly Kirsch

Elgee & Jeanette Phillips

Dorothy & Gordon Maiworm

Norman Krause

The Magellan Federal MFLC Team

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

Apr 2021 Attendance: 9am 129 4pm 97 Apr 2020 All Virtual

Online Services All Gifts: \$45,597.52 All Gifts: \$52,460.70

Gifts exclude MDO revenue and endowment distributions, but does include investment income.

St. Paul UCC Prayer List

Family of Marilyn Young

Family of Billy Ruth Pelc

Phil McClary, Lynn Koehler's nephew

Gary Loeffler, brother of Sandy Loeffler

Al Stahl
Walter Beatty
Larry Walton

Lori Coleman
Lynn Koehler
Bev Juenger



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send prayer requests to

pastormichelle@stpaulucc.org

or call 233-3303

Please
JOIN on ZOOM
for comradery and friendship

Our St Paul Community



Sundays
Time: 10:30 AM
Meeting ID:
867-605-6534
Meeting Link:
<http://us02web.zoom.us/j/8676056534>
Phone: 1-312-626-6799

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Interested in
being a part of
the conversation
on visioning the
future of the
church?

Contact
pastormichelle@stpaulucc.org
or 618.233.3303

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PHONE: 618-233-3303

MAIL DATE: **May 28, 2021**

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Return Service Requested

Labels Here

Weekly events

Sundays 9am Worship
10:30 am Zoom Social Hour
6pm Worship

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send prayer requests to
pastormichelle@stpaulucc.org
or call 618-233-3303

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 dyoung@stpaulucc.org

Praying for your health and well-being!

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.