

*Lead with Love*



**Sunday, August 1, 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

August 1, 2021

9:00 am

## **TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS**

*Senior Pastor* ..... Rev. Michelle Torigian  
*Music Director* ..... Dr. Bill Wade  
*Liturgist* ..... Mimi Llamas

**WELCOME**            Rev. Michelle Torigian

**PRELUDE**            *Let Us Break Bread Together*  
                              setting by Charles Callahan (b. 1951)

## **INVOCATION (UNISON)**

**Holy God, Loving Leader-**

**We gather together to create a world based on your visions. Through our faith in you, we see our directions. Through Jesus the Christ, we see clear paths in front of us. Through your Spirit, we find the strength to craft your realm on this earth. As we utilize our talents in this place, we seek your guidance. As we yearn for our world to embrace hope and love, we look to you. Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**    *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (HYMN TO JOY)*  
                              Text: Charles Wesley; Music: Ludwig van Beethoven  
                              (See next page)

## **PRAYER OF REFLECTION**

**Holy One-**

**We often ask ourselves - *are we good leaders? Do I have what it takes to be a good leader? Why did you call me to be a leader, God?* Yet no matter how we see ourselves, you see our fullest self. You call us as we are and equip us with what we need. We enter no path without you. Help us to be fully present on this journey - whether we are leaders or followers. Amen.**

***\* Notes for our congregants to stand if they are comfortably able***

# Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Text: Charles Wesley

Tune: HYMN TO JOY

Ludwig van Beethoven;  
Adapted by Edward Hodges

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n to earth come down,  
 2. Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry trou - bled breast;  
 3. Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy life re - ceive;  
 4. Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less let us be;

5  
 fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.  
 let us all in thee in - her - it; let us find the prom - ised rest.  
 sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er more thy tem - ples leave.  
 let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee;

9  
 Je - sus, thou are all com - pas - sion; pure, un - boun - ded love - thou art;  
 Take a - way the love of sin - ning, Al - pha and O - me - ga be;  
 Thee we would be al - ways bles - sing, thee as thy hosts a - bove;  
 changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, till in heav'n we take our place,

13  
 vis - it us with thy sal - va - tion; en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.  
 end of faith, as its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
 pray, and praise thee with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
 till we cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der love and praise.

# Let Us Break Bread Together

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)  
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)  
3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)  
let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)  
let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)

## Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mer - cy on me. (on me)

**CHILDREN'S CHAT**      Pastor Michelle

**SCRIPTURE**                      Matthew 18:1-5                      Mimi Llamas  
   John 13:1-15 & 33-35  
   1 Samuel 16:1-13

**SERMON**                      Lead with Love                      Pastor Michelle

**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.

**HYMN OF PREPARATION**    *Let Us Break Bread Together*  
   *(LET US BREAK BREAD)*  
   Text and Music: African American spiritual  
   *(see previous page)*

**SERVICE OF COMMUNION**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (UNISON)**

**We give you thanks, O Christ, for gathering us at all our tables for word of life and sacred banquet. As we part from one another, turn our being fed into holy takeout. May we share all we have received, slowly, sweetly and surely with all of your children. Amen.**

Information about today's service: All St. Paul United Church of Christ services are recorded.

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

Communion Liturgy and Prayer of Thanksgiving written by Rev. Maren Tirabassi and found at <https://giftsinopenhands.wordpress.com>



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**\*CLOSING HYMN** *Will You Come and Follow Me?*

(KELVINGROVE) (verses 1,2,3,5)

Text: John L. Bell; Music: Scottish melody, arr. John L. Bell

# Will You Come and Follow Me

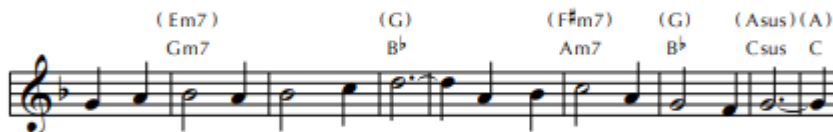
## The Summons



- 1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
- 2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?
- 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?
- 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
- 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.



Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?  
Will you set the pris-oners free and nev - er be the same?  
Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?  
Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;  
Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at - tract or scare?  
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,  
Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round,  
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.



will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"  
Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?"  
and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

## **\*BLESSING OF THE GIFTS (UNISON)**

### **Spirit of Gifts-**

**In this place, we celebrate all that you have trusted with us. At this time, we lift our hearts in gratitude for each gift that comes from you. Bless the gift of time as we cherish our moments and dedicate some to serve your children. Bless the gift of talents as we use our crafts to better the world. Bless the gift of treasures as we co-create your world with you. Amen.**

## **\*BENEDICTION**

Bless our feet as we journey about our community  
And our hands as we reach out to our neighbors.  
Bless our tongues as we speak words of love  
And our senses as we learn others' stories,  
Bless our hearts as we care for our siblings  
And our souls as we grow more with God.  
Amen.

## **POSTLUDE**

*Recessional*

Frank W. Asper (1892 - 1973)



For those in attendance: please note that our services  
are recorded and you may be on camera.

**Tuesday Morning Bible Study Beginning Tuesday August 17 10:00 a.m.**  
*in the Library. A six week study facilitated by "Committee".*  
Join your church friends for the UCC produced "LISTEN UP" bible study series. Participants will share questions and responses as we study.

### **The Gospel of Mark**

Trusting in the Holy Spirit, we believe that in that mix of biblical text, personal engagement, and honest speaking and listening, God's word may be heard, speaking words of challenge and words of comfort.



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## Archives Artifacts ~ St. Paul trivia from the desk of Roger Henke

On September 14, 1980, we held a church service celebrating the ground breaking of a new addition at a place dear to our hearts. The new space would house a chapel, offices, and service areas. What is this place?



### This Week

#### Sundays

9am Traditional Worship  
6pm Non-Traditional Worship

Here is how to stay in touch with St. Paul

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

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)!**

### For Your Prayers

The Family of Gayle Wren

Phil McClary nephew of Lynn Koehler

Walter Beatty Lynn Koehler

Lori Coleman Bev Juenger

Al Stahl Julie Nollette

Bob Jung Luci Bradley

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send prayer requests to [pastomichelle@stpaulucc.org](mailto:pastomichelle@stpaulucc.org)

Or call 618-233-3303

Praying for your health and



*St. Paul's Home*

*Answer:*

#### Weekly Attendance

9am / 6pm July 18, 2021 77/10

July 19, 2020 No Outside Service, too hot

Offering for 7/18/2021 - \$7,812.00

#### General Fund

Needed each week \$8,082

Giving to Date  \$223,446

Budget to..  \$234,378

Total Budget  \$420,256