



**May the Lord make you increase and
abound in love for one another and for
all, just as we abound in love for you.**

1 Thessalonians 3:12

Our St. Paul

August 2021

YOUR St. Paul Team

Rev. Michelle Torigian, Senior Pastor

Dr. Bill Wade, Director of Music

John Posth, Non-Traditional Music Director

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Mother's Day Out (MDO)

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Laura Osborn, MDO Teacher



**Meet our new
Custodian!**

**Evan
Wilhelm**

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618-233-3303

stpaulucc.org

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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.



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Belleville, Illinois*



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<u>ISSUE</u>	<u>DEADLINE</u>	<u>MAIL DATE</u>
September	August 23	August 27

Pastor's Message - The Beauty of Pointillism

There is a scene in the movie *Ferris Bueller's Day Off* when Ferris' friend Cameron stands in front of Georges Seurat's painting *A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte*. The painting displays a scene of people resting and picnicking on the Seine river.

In the movie, the camera comes closer and closer to the painting, first showing the full piece of artwork, and then zooming in to see each and every dot in the painting. Cameron's eyes show such focus and amazement in the intricate work done by Seurat.

I first saw this piece of artwork in 1997 at the Art Institute of Chicago and then again when I was there in July. Like I had learned in my college art class in 1995, the technique Seurat used is Pointillism, a branch of Impressionism. Seurat had used individual dots of color to create a complete image.

As we appreciate art much more the older we get, I really tried to absorb the beauty of the whole painting and each small stroke more than I did in 1997. I realized the beauty of Pointillism is that without each dot and brushstroke, the painting wouldn't be what it is.

In the Bible we are given the image of the Body of Christ and each section of the body is significant in making the body work. I think, in many ways, Seurat's painting brought me to the same conclusion. Each dot made the artwork complete. Without one dot, *A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte* would not be a completed painting.

Like the Body of Christ and like Pointillism, each and every person matters in the Church - whether the local church or the broader Church. Each of your talents matter to this community and the greater Belleville/St. Clair County Community. When we share the gifts we have, we place a dot on God's great painting, making it more complete as time passes.

Now that we are nearing the end of summer and heading into autumn, what will your next brushstroke be on God's great painting? Will you take part in a team of the church like mission, Christian education, or congregational care? Will you participate in one of the fellowship groups of the church? Would you like to help us with worship - with music, being a liturgist, helping with sound, or being an usher?

We thank you for each dot you place on God's great painting and on caring for our congregation! Thank you for choosing to Be a Blessing to the church and community!

Blessings,
Pastor Michelle

SAVE THE DATE!

WALGREENS FLU CLINIC

Coming to St. Paul United Church of Christ

September 19th after Worship



St. Paul Invites You to Raise a Glass in

A Toast to Tuesday!

Wine-tasting Fundraiser at Grappa Growlers

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

6:00-8:00 pm

\$25 per person

SAVE THE DATE!

Includes wine tastings, appetizers, glass of wine,
St. Paul wine glass, raffle baskets, & fall 50/50 drawing.

Additional food, wine, beer available for purchase.

Grappa Growlers will donate 10% of sales for the evening to St. Paul!

CHABLIS
CHARDONNAY
PINOT NOIR
RIESLING
CHAMPAGNE
CABERNET
SAUVIGNON
BORDEAUX
EISWEIN
ROSE
SHIRAZ



Sponsorships available



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.

PLEASE LET US KNOW

Due to a change in Memorial Hospital's record system, we currently are not able to find out who is in their Belleville or Shiloh locations when we call the Belleville-area hospitals each day. Please have someone (you, your family member, or a chaplain at the hospital) let us know when you are at any of the hospitals on either side of the river. Thank you!

Here are some of St. Paul UCC missions!



Uni-Pres
Kindercottage



JOIN US!

CULINAIRE'S BREAKFAST

**AUGUST 15, 2021
ACTIVITY CENTER
AFTER 9:00AM WORSHIP**

SUGGESTED DONATION \$5



A Note about Hymns

Dr. Bill Wade, Director of Music and Organist

What is in a hymn and why do we sing them? Each Sunday we celebrate the tradition of singing together and lifting our collective voice in song and praise. "He who sings, prays twice," and its derivations has been attributed to St. Augustine, Martin Luther, and others. Whoever said it, it remains true that singing in worship is a way for us to blend poetry and music into praise for God.

Some have wondered what all the information around the name of the hymn is for and why it is necessary. Since I became music director at St. Paul UCC, Belleville, I have included not only the title of the hymn, but the title of the hymn tune (in all caps), the author of the text and the composer. Why do I do that? Is it important?

For example, on August 1, 2021 the opening hymn was listed as:

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (HYMN TO JOY)

Text: Charles Wesley; Music: Ludwig van Beethoven

The hymn name, "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" is the title of the poem (text) used in this setting, but the tune to which it was sung is the familiar "HYMN TO JOY" usually sung to the text "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee." Often, the poetry of the text is written by someone other than the composer of the tune with whom it has been associated. By singing a text to a different hymn tune, the meaning of the text can bloom anew and assume a fresh meaning for the singer and listener. We select alternate tunes, or alternate texts based on the meter of the poetry and the rhythms of the tune. Recombining text and music is one of many creative processes used to keep worship engaging and relevant to our worship experience. Happy singing!

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

for

St. Paul Mother's Day Out

Register now for August 2021-May 2022 program

We offer 3 day classes for 3-5 year olds
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9am-12:20pm

- 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 for sharing, caring and learning together



Please call our office to schedule a tour and meet with our coordinator!







St. Paul MDO Program

618-233-3303

115 W. B. St., Belleville, IL 62220

stpaulucc.org/mdo

AUGUST

Sun	Mon	Tue
<p>1 9am Worship 10am Coffee Hour after Worship 6pm Outdoor Worship</p> <p>National Friendship Day</p>	<p>2</p>  <p>National Ice Cream Sandwich Day</p>	<p>3</p> <p>10:00am Adult Bible Study Library</p>
<p>8 9am Worship 10am Coffee Hour after Worship 6pm Outdoor Worship</p>	<p>9</p>  <p>National Book Lovers Day</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10am Adult Bible Study Library 1pm-Shufflers-Library 7pm- Personnel Meeting</p>
<p>15 9am Worship Culinaire's Breakfast following Worship 6pm Outdoor Worship</p> 	<p>16</p> <p>7pm Executive Council</p>	<p>17</p> <p>10am Adult Bible Study Library 7pm Visioning Meeting</p> <p>National Non-Profit Day</p>
<p>22 9am Worship 10am Coffee Hour after Worship & Meeting with Families</p> <p>National Be an Angel Day</p> 	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>10am Adult Bible Study Library</p>
<p>29 9am Worship 10am Coffee Hour after Worship</p> 	<p>30</p> <p>National Grief Awareness Day</p> 	<p>31</p> <p>10am Adult Bible Study Library</p>

	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
udy	<p>4</p> <p>10am Handbell Rehearsal 7pm Personnel Meeting <i>No Bells or Choir</i></p> <p>National Coast Guard Day</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10am Handbell Rehearsal</p>	<p>6</p>  <p>National Root Beer Float Day</p>	<p>7</p>  <p>National Purple Heart Day</p>
ng	<p>11</p> <p>6:30pm Mission Meeting <i>No Bells or Choir</i></p>	<p>12</p> <p>9:30am Stewardship Meeting</p>	<p>13</p> <p>International Left Handers Day</p>	<p>14</p> <p>10am Centering Prayer</p>
y	<p>18</p> <p>10am Handbell Rehearsal <i>No Bells or Choir</i></p>	<p>19</p> <p>4:30pm Masterworks Rehearsal 6pm Council Meeting</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>National Senior Citizens Day</p>
	<p>25</p> <p><i>No Bells or Choir</i></p>	<p>26</p> <p>4:30pm Masterworks Rehearsal</p> <p>National Women's Equality Day</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>10am Centering Prayer</p>
				

Camp Dubois needs your help!



Each year Camp Dubois holds a Fall Festival as their annual fundraiser. This year our Mission Board, on behalf of the members of St Paul United Church of Christ, is putting together 2 baskets to raffle off at the Fall Festival. All proceeds from the baskets will be donated to Camp Dubois.

What can you do to help?


Please donate basket items (see themes below), gift cards, or make a monetary donation to support this fundraiser. Items must be received by August 22nd please!

We also want to send a very **LOUD Shout Out** to the very talented, **Threads of Hope** crew for donating a beautiful quilt and to the **Prayer Shawl** team for donating an afghan.

Basket 1 Theme – Warm Cozy Night At Home, suggested items cozy socks, wine, wine glasses, gourmet snacks, candles, card games, cozy pillows, gift cards (maybe take out dinner gift cards) to supplement the cozy afghan.

Basket 2 Theme –Baby Bundle, suggested items are “anything baby,” to include gift cards, baby books, baby essentials, or anything to supplement the beautiful baby quilt.





Interested in joining
St. Paul UCC
or learning more about the
church?

Join us for an
informational class on
August 21 from 10am-12pm

CONTACT THE CHURCH FOR
MORE INFORMATION.



**How have you been a blessing?
How have others been a blessing
to you? Please send your answers
to Pastor Michelle at
pastormichelle@stpaulucc.org.
They will be included on our
bulletin board and may be
included in an upcoming
Facebook Live video!**

Anniversaries & Birthdays



August Anniversaries

8/4-Gus & Sue
Kuether
8/7-Al & Nancy
Scharf
8/9-Michael & Linda
Herrmann
8/15-Thomas & Linda
Mentzer
8/18-Kenneth & Osceola
Mueller
8/29-Jean & EJ
Sporleder



August Birthdays

8/1-Amy Florek
8/3-Sandy Ritter
8/4-Sandra Frerking
8/4-Hayley Bohanon
8/5-Craig Liddy
8/5-Eileen Peter
8/6-Mac McCoy
8/8-Lynn Bradley
8/8-Bobbie Smith
8/10-Terry Collins
8/10-Riley Worthen
8/10-Laureen Torigian
8/11-Lynwood Mueller
8/13-Kenneth Mueller
8/16-Judith Voyles
8/16-Lee-Alison Voyles
8/18-Helen Whicher
8/20-Lynn Koehler
8/22-Ken Nettleton
8/22-Judi Keplar
8/23-Judith Harms
8/23-Jeanette Phillips
8/24-Perl Hazelip
8/25-Tammy Flach
8/25-Doris Steiner
8/27-Diane Drake
8/27-Jenna Schobert
8/28-Diana Haar
8/29-Pamela Nicholson
8/29-June Weber
8/29-Megan Kastner
8/31-Karen Keuss
8/31-Jay Naylor

Happy
anniversary

4/10/12

Happy Belated July Birthday's!

7/7—Ronald Buckrod
7/21—Cheryl Buckrod



Revenues	<u>2021 Final Budget</u>	<u>2021 June Actuals</u>	<u>YTD Actuals</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Congregational Offerings	\$400,256.18	\$29,938.00	\$179,426.76	44.83%
MDO Tuition/Other Income	\$81,450.00	735.00	29,150.75	35.79%
MDO Fundraiser / Memorials	\$0.00	0.00	862.00	N/A
Special Stewardship Events	\$3,000.00	1,386.00	3,019.00	100.63%
Rental Income - 205 W B Street	\$9,900.00	825.00	4,950.00	50.00%
Building Fund	\$20,000.00	6,142.00	13,634.00	68.17%
Outreach / Various Missions	\$0.00	620.00	15,329.27	N/A
Memorials	\$11,000.00	1,920.00	7,856.00	71.42%
Bequests	\$0.00	0.00	10,000.00	N/A
Building Income	\$0.00	(1,750.00)	(1,200.00)	N/A
Pastoral Honorarium	\$1,200.00	625.00	1,075.00	89.58%
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	49.60	124.68	2.77%
Total Operating Revenues	\$640,056.18	\$40,490.60	\$286,597.46	44.78%
Team Revenues	\$10,000.00	343.35	3,265.84	
Capital Expenses			\$0.00	
HH Window Repair & Paint			\$0.00	
Grand Total	\$650,056.18	\$40,833.95	\$289,863.30	44.59%
Expenses				
Personnel	(\$319,711.18)	(\$26,041.60)	(\$142,047.92)	44.43%
Administrative Support (formerly Operating Expenses)	(39,400.00)	(4,536.14)	(18,669.18)	47.38%
Outreach (formerly Mission Board)	(14,425.00)	(1,697.50)	(12,864.97)	89.19%
Education (MDO listed separately)	(3,275.00)	(110.74)	(867.33)	26.48%
Stewardship	(1,425.00)	0.00	(1,498.11)	105.13%
Property	(179,215.00)	(13,730.71)	(81,181.51)	46.33%
Congregational Care (formerly Worship Bd)	(15,155.00)	(3,582.35)	(5,555.33)	36.66%
MDO	(81,450.00)	(567.94)	(37,184.93)	45.65%
General Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A
Total Operating Expense	(650,056.18)	(50,266.98)	(299,869.28)	46.13%
Difference between Revenue & Expenses		(\$9,433.03)	(\$10,005.98)	

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 Louise Joergens

Jane Bonaldi

IMO Dorothea (Dottie) Engelsdorfer

Janet Heil

IMO Marilyn Young

Edward & Julie Grubb

IMO Billy Ruth Pelc

Darwin & Mary Lu Bretsch

IHO Marilyn Dinkelman's Birthday 7/16

Edna Mae Schwarz

IHO Gus & Sue Kuether's Anniversary

8/4/1962

Edna Mae Schwarz

IMO Joyce Martin

Gay Eckert

IMO Gayle Wren

Donna Davis

Mimi Llamas

Gloria Strohm

Larry Walton

Marilae Perkins

Eileen Peter

Stephenie Bauza

Pam Walton

(How Sweet the Sound)

Dave & Sue Hoffmann

(Music Ministry)

Rusty & Sandy Wagner

Janet Spencer

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FROM ST. PAUL UCC FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Our Belleville Salvation Army has opened their Sanctuary for respite on Monday, Wednesday and Friday's from 10-12, feeding them lunch at noon. This is where we need volunteers to sit in the sanctuary to help visit, play games, read magazines and make them feel comfort and welcome. Please be a part of St. Paul's mission of the community. Another mission opportunity is the Suds of Love sponsored by the city. The city pays the west end laundromat for the homeless to do their laundry every 4th Wednesday. If you would like to donate to this cause please make donation to the church marked Suds of Love and we will make sure it gets sent to the agency. Thank you for making a difference in our community. Sandy Ritter 222-1123.

St. Paul UCC Prayer List

Family of Gayle Wren

Phil McClary nephew of Lynn Koehler

Walter Beatty

Lori Coleman

Al Stahl

Luci Bradley

Lynn Koehler

Bev Juenger

Julie Nollette



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send prayer requests to
Pastor Michelle at
pastormichelle@stpaulucc.org
or call 233-3303

A note about regathering

We at St. Paul UCC have committed to following
all local, state, and federal guidelines regarding
Covid-19.

**At this time, we ask all people over the age of 2
to wear a mask inside the church building.** All
other church activities will remain the same,
including coffee hour/breakfasts, singing during
worship, in-person team meetings, etc.

Thank you for your help in ensuring that St. Paul
UCC is a healthy community for all!

**INTERESTED IN BEING A
PART OF ST. PAUL UCC'S
CONVERSATION ON
VISIONING THE FUTURE
OF THE CHURCH?**

CONTACT PASTOR MICHELLE AT
618.233.3303

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

June 2021 Attendance: 9am 202 6pm 64 June 2020 All Virtual

Online Services All Gifts: \$41,903.75 All Gifts: \$45,971.05

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

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PHONE: 618-233-3303
MAIL DATE: **July 30, 2021**

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Weekly events

Sundays 9am Worship
10am Coffee Hour
6pm Worship

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send prayer requests to
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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.