

Sunday, July 11, 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 <u>stpaulucc.org</u> 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.

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

ST. PAUL WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor	Rev. Michelle Torigian
Music Director	6
Director of Non-Traditional Music	John Posth



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St. Paul United Church of Christ

July 11, 2021 9:00 am

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor	Rev. Michelle Torigian
Music Director	Dr. Bill Wade
Liturgist	Dick Erdmann

PRELUDE

Come Ye Thankful People, Come arr. for Handbells by Jason W. Krug (b. 1978)

WELCOME Rev. Michelle Torigian

INVOCATION (UNISON)

Holy God, Divine Generosity-

Your purse is filled with gifts for us: from being our source of strength to comforting us in times of loss. Your presence energizes us, and your wisdom calls us to new adventures. In all circumstances, we thank you for your steadfast love. In all times and places, we acknowledge that you are our fountain of blessings. Amen.



Happy 2nd Birthday to Avery Kobernus!!!

In celebration of Rusty & Sandy Wagner's 50th Wedding Anniversary Happy Anniversary!!! *Opening Hymn: Come Ye Thankful People Come (ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR) Text: Henry Alford; Music: George Job Elvey

> 367 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come 1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har-vest home. the world is God's own field, fruit in thank-ful praise to yield, 2 All the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the har-vest home; 3 For 4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest home. All is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the win - ter storms be - gin. wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown. from each field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way; Gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from sor-row, free from sin, God, our Mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied. First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear. give the an - gels charge at the fire the tares to last in cast, there for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy pres-ence to a - bide: Come to God's own tem - ple, come; raise the song of har-vest home. of har - vest, grant that we whole-some grain and pure may be. Lord the fruit - ful ears to store in God's gar - ner ev - er - more. but come, with all thine an - gels, come; raise the glo-rious har-vest home!

PRAYER OF REFLECTION

Divine Bestower of Gifts-

Your energy encircles us as we reflect upon your works in our lives. Even when our roads are rough, your presence lights our way. No matter the condition of our spirits, we are called to ask: *How can we celebrate our gratitude today? In what ways can we build a culture of gratitude in our communities?* Fill our hearts with a desire to share our thanks with you and our neighbors. Direct our attention on your refreshing presence even when scorching pain threatens to pull our focus from you. Amen.

CHILDREN'S CHAT Pastor Michelle

ANTHEM	И

We Gather Together arr. Jason W. Krug St. Paul Glory Ringers

1 Thessalonians 5:15-18 Psalm 100 1 Samuel 2:1-10

SERMON

Give Thanks

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. *CLOSING HYMN: Now Thank We All Our God (NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT)

Text: Martin Rinkart, trans. by Catherine Winkworth



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

God of Love, God of Gifts-

In a spirit of joy, we lift our voices in gratitude. Our hearts burst with gladness for the blessings you share with us. Fill our souls with hope as we continue to be a blessing to our neighbors. Fill our minds with wisdom as we share time, talent, and treasures with this church and community. Amen.

***BENEDICTION** (Inspired by Psalm 100)

Fling open the doors to this new week with a song of thanksgiving in your soul.

Tread on this new walkway with hope in your hearts.

Enter God's presence with praise and gratitude, blessing God's name. For God is good: God's steadfast love endures forever!

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on Nun danket alle Gott Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1993)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FROM ST. PAUL UCC FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Since Covid, the most vulnerable have suffered the most. St. Vincent DePaul in East St. Louis has been using their van to transport our most needy and homeless in Belleville to their facility.

Good News! 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. If interested or have questions please call me. I am going to volunteer one day a month. It is just 2 hours of your time that can make a difference.

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. Again thank you for making a difference in our community. Sandy Ritter 222-1123.

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

During the recent Heritage Hall renovation the ceiling was redone. In doing so various layers of plaster and paint were uncovered. Guess how many times the ceiling was changed? Extra credit for the years too.



This Week	For Your Prayer	S
Sundays 9am Traditional Worship	Phil McClary nephew of Lynn Koehler	
6pm Non-Traditional Worship	Walter Beatty	Lynn Koehler
Here is how to stay in touch with St. Paul	Lori Coleman Al Stahl	Bev Juenger Julie Nollette
1) Watch the services and check	Bob Jung	Luci Bradley
 for event updates on FACBOOK - Like us at St. Paul United Church of Christ Belleville, IL 2) Go to stpaulucc.org 	PRAYER REQUESTS Please send prayer requests to	
-and you will find: videos of services, sermons, archives, and much more!! 3) Listen to the radio! 690am	pastomichelle@stpaulucc.org Or call 618-233-3303 Praying for your health and well	
9am Live Sundays & repeat at 9pm 4) Sign up for the eNews (Newsletter)!	6107 1861 sət	1939 1820 Чизмен: 2 tin Уизмен: 2 tin

 Weekly Attendance
 June 27, 2021
 52/10
 June 28, 2020
 All Virtual

 Offering for 6/27/2021 - \$4,563.00
 General Fund
 Needed each week \$8,082

 Giving to Date
 \$198,061
 \$210,132

 Total Budget
 \$420,256