

Sunday, October 17, 2021

"No matter who you are, No matter where you are on life's journey, You are welcome here."



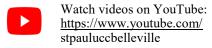
Welcome to Worship at St. Paul UCC

We are glad you are here! October 17, 2021 9am 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





TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher	Rev. Michelle Torigian
Music Director	Dr. Bill Wade
Liturgist	Stephenie Bauza

WELCOME Rev. Michelle Torigian

PRELUDE Prelude in F, Op. 101 No. 1

Charles Villers Stanford (1852-1924)

INVOCATION (UNISON)

Wind-riding God,

the blue skies, the sunshine, the cool breezes cradling falling leaves: all creation reminds us of the delicate Artist who has shaped us and all that is around us. We lift our songs of gratitude and awe to you.

Servant-calling Jesus:

you humble our arrogance with your acts of mercy; you tip over our pretensions with your modest nature; you laugh at our hunger for power with your words of grace.

Heart-keeping Spirit:

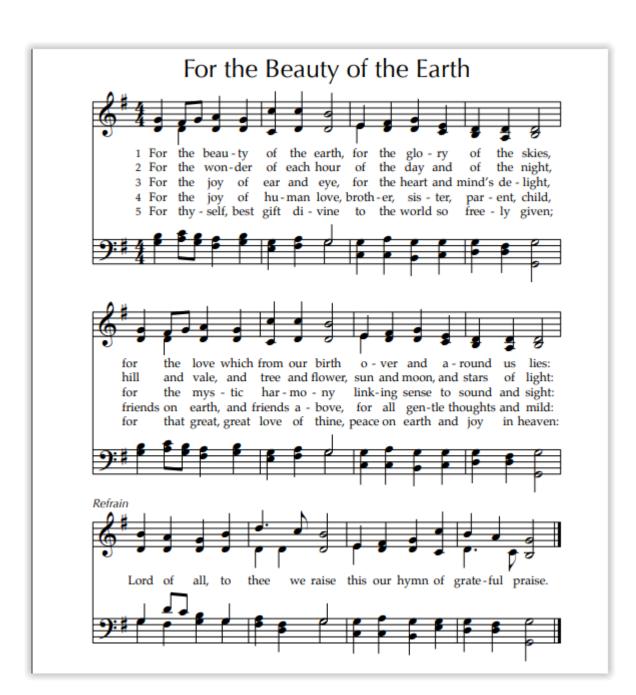
you bear our prayers to the throne of grace when they are only whispers in our souls; you unfold the road map to show us the way to the Kingdom; you transform our stuttering words into praise and wonder to our God.

God in Community, Holy in One, be with us in this and every moment. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN For the Beauty of the Earth (DIX)

Text: Folliott Sandford Pierpoint; Music: Conrad Kocher (See page 4)





*PRAYER OF REFLECTION

God of Grace, Divine Light-

We often do things, not because it is what you call us to do, but in hopes of earning points with you and others. We can become so self-absorbed, we cannot see the suffering and struggles of friends, family, strangers. We are so desperate to get to the front of the line, we push aside the very ones you seek to honor. Remind us that the cup we are offered overflows with grace, and that Jesus the Christ is the One who calls us to service, standing by our side, as we seek to be faithful disciples. Amen.

CHILDREN'S CHAT Rev. Michelle Torigian

ANTHEM God of Mercy, God of Grace

Text: Henry F. Lyte; Music: Jerry F. Davidson (used with permission St. James Music Press, License #17755)

SCRIPTURE Mark 10:35-45

SERMON What Price Glory? Rev. Michelle Torigian

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 Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom (MADELEINE)

Text: Ruth Duck; Music: Donna Kasbohm

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*BLESSING OF THE GIFTS (UNISON)

May our gifts lay a foundation of hope for all in despair; may they brighten the shadows of those who wander alone; may they cause the voiceless to join the morning stars in singing your praises. This we pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

*BENEDICTION

God sends us forth as workers for justice

to cover the oppressed with a flood of compassion.

Jesus invites us to work humbly by his side.

We would respond, 'Here we are; where do you need us?'

The Spirit hands us garments woven with strands of love and light.

We will clothe everyone we meet with these garments of grace.

POSTLUDE

Fugue in C major in Handelian Style attrib. George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

St. Paul UCC Bible study NOW IN GENESIS ROOM

(Entry through Welcome Center)

October 5 through November 23 @ 10:00 am

The topic is two 15-minute video presentations by John Dominic Crossan on *The Challenge of Jesus* followed by discussion.

A 32-page participant's document of discussion starters and questions can be provided in two ways. The church can print a copy for you for a small donation or send you a PDF via email to be printed at home. More information in the E-News this week.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 10/17 Culinaire's Breakfast After Worship
- 10/19 Coffee & Conversation with Pastor Michelle @ 2:30-4:30pm
- 10/24 Middle and High School Gathering @ 4-5:30pm
- 10/24 Fireside Club Meeting @ 6pm in Heritage Hall
- 10/25 Coffee & Conversation with Pastor Michelle @ 2:30-4:30pm
- 10/29 Halloween Spooktacular Concert St. Paul UCC Sanctuary @ 7pm
- 10/30 Trunk or Treat -St Paul UCC parking lot @ 10am-12pm

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

In 1936, the Rose Window was installed in the second church, in honor of someone. Who is this person?



This Week

Sundays

9am Traditional Worship 10am Culinaire's Breakfast

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

-and you will find: videos of services, sermons, archives, and much more!!

3) Listen to the radio! 690am

For Your Prayers

Gus Kuether Bev Juenger
Lori Coleman Julie Nollette
Al Stahl Audrey Krummrich
Carol Hotz Joyce Maurer

Carol Hotz Jim Young

The family of Lillian Miskimen

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Praying for your health and well being!





Answer: Mrs. Sophia Keil

Weekly Attendance

9am <u>Oct 3, 2021</u> 85 + Online Participants <u>Oct 4, 2020</u> 22 9AM & 47 Outside Service

Offering for	10/03/2021 - \$6,509	General Fund	Needed each week	¢0 000	
Giving to Date Budget to			\$290,850 \$323,280	\$0,002	(
Total Budget					\$420,256