



*World  
Communion  
Sunday*



**Sunday, October 3, 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 3, 2021 9am Worship

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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](http://stpaulucc.org) (our website - and watched at your convenience), and heard on KSTL-690 AM radio & streamed on [Jubilee690.com](http://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](mailto: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 [stpaulucc.org](http://stpaulucc.org) 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**



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*Belleville, Illinois*



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[https://www.youtube.com/  
stpauluccbelleville](https://www.youtube.com/stpauluccbelleville)

**TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS**

Senior Pastor..... Rev. Michelle Torigian  
Music Director .....Dr. Bill Wade  
Liturgist.....Roger Relfe

**WELCOME**            Rev. Michelle Torigian

**PRELUDE**            *I am the Bread of Life*  
Tune: Suzanne Toolan; Setting by Ron Schmoltze (b. 1937)

**INVOCATION (UNISON)**

**Shepherd God, you are the one with us in the valley of shadows. There are many shadows in our lives, of the deaths and endings we experience, but we know you are with us and will guide us through. May your presence be known to us in those deepest shadows, when we find ourselves alone and vulnerable. Remind us that while friendships and relationships come to endings, you never fail us, and we are never truly alone. We belong to you, the sheep of your hand, and you will lead us to still waters and green pastures. We know you are the one who restores our soul, and we will dwell with you forever. Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**    Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table (HYMN TO JOY)  
Text: Thomas H. Troeger; Music: Ludwig van Beethoven  
*(See page 4)*

**\*PRAYER OF REFLECTION**

God-made-flesh, bone of our bone-  
We admit that we think we can go it alone, that we try to do it all, that in doing so, we neglect the gifts you have given us:  
the bone of our bone, the flesh of our flesh, the bodies you created,  
and the relationships you created us for.  
Jesus Christ, you who lived in a human body, call us to community.  
Remind us that in you we are one. Awake in us a respect for one another,  
and celebrate with us the diversity within that unity.  
May it be so now and forever. Amen.

**CHILDREN'S CHAT**    Pastor Michelle

# Look Who Gathers At Christ's Table

Thomas H. Troeger

Ludwig Van Beethoven

1. Look who gath - ers at Christ's ta - ble! Hear the sto - ries that they bring.  
2. Clouds of light sur - round the ta - ble; an - cient fol - low - ers ap - pear,  
3. Their sad sto - ries are re - peat - ed in a thou - sand dif - ferent ways,  
4. Bring your joy and bring your sad - ness, and pre - pare to be sur - prised

5  
Some are weep - ing; some are laugh - ing; some have songs they want to sing.  
saints con - fess - ing how they wres - tled with their guilt, their doubt and fear.  
but they share one thing in com - mon: they all end in thanks and praise  
by the host whose hands are wound - ed who will o - pen wide your eyes

9  
Oth - ers ask why they're in - vi - ted, bur - dened by the wrong they've done.  
Pe - ter tells of his de - ny - ing Christ was ev - er in his sight;  
for the host who has in - vit - ed north and south and east and west  
when he bless - es bread and breaks it truth and man - na from a bove!

13  
Christ in - sists they all are wel - come. There is room for ev - ery one.  
Paul re - lates his fruit - less ef - forts to ob - lit - er - ate the light.  
to con - verge a - round this ta - ble, where all life is fed and blest.  
and then pass - es wine that wa - kens in your heart the taste of love.

**STEWARDSHIP MISSION MOMENT** Neighbors in Need  
Stephenie Bauza

**ANTHEM** *A Place at the Table*  
Text: Shirley Erena Murray; Music: Mary McDonald

**SCRIPTURE** Mark 6:6-13

**SERMON** Sent Out 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.**

**SERVICE OF COMMUNION**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Unison)**

**Creator God, many ingredients went into the making of this meal and many hands participated in its preparation. We are grateful for all who planted and reaped and prepared so that we might share with all the faithful around the world in witnessing to the power of faith, the grace of redemption, and the beauty of fellowship in your name. Amen.**



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# I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table

1 I'm gon-na eat at the wel-come ta - ble;  
 2 I'm gon-na eat and drink with my Je - sus;  
 3 I'm gon-na join with sis - ters, broth - ers;  
 4 Here all the world will find a wel - come;  
 5 We're gon-na feast on milk and hon - ey;

I'm gon-na eat at the wel-come ta - ble, Al - le - lu - ia.  
 I'm gon-na eat and drink with my Je - sus, Al - le - lu - ia.  
 I'm gon-na join with sis - ters, broth - ers, Al - le - lu - ia.  
 here all the world will find a wel-come, Al - le - lu - ia.  
 we're gon-na feast on milk and hon - ey, Al - le - lu - ia.

I'm gon-na eat at the wel-come ta - ble; I'm gon - na  
 I'm gon-na eat and drink with my Je - sus; I'm gon - na  
 I'm gon-na join with sis - ters, broth - ers; I'm gon - na  
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**\*CLOSING HYMN**    *I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table*  
African American Spiritual  
(See page 6)

**\*BLESSING OF THE GIFTS (UNISON)**  
God of all creation,  
breathe your life-giving breath upon these gifts  
that they might be a blessing to all flesh. Amen.

**\*BENEDICTION**  
Go forth from this place and seek to increase your faith. Go forth from this place to plant the seeds of the Gospel wherever you can. Go forth from this place to serve one another and the world. Go forth with the blessing of God, the peace of Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit this day and forevermore. Amen.

**POSTLUDE**    *Tollite Hostias from Oratorio de Noël, Op. 12*  
Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)  
arr. by Alexander Schreiner (1901-1987)



**OCTOBER UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- 10/5 Bible Study—New session starts in the library @ 10am
- 10/5 A Toast to Tuesday Grappa Growlers @ 6-8 pm
- 10/10 Organ & Handbell Music Concert-St. Paul UCC Sanctuary @ 3pm
- 10/11 AGO Meeting & Dinner @ 5:30 in Heritage Hall
- 10/17 Culinaire's Breakfast
- 10/29 Halloween Spooktacular Concert St. Paul UCC Sanctuary @ 7pm

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

**Two windows on the East side of Heritage Hall were reinstalled during renovations. Previously they were hanging in another room on St. Paul's campus. Where were they?**



### This Week

#### Sundays

9am Traditional Worship  
10am Coffee & Doughnuts

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**

### For Your Prayers

Walter Beatty

Lori Coleman

Al Stahl

Audrey Krummrich

Joyce Maurer

Bev Juenger

Julie Nollette

Bob Harms

Carol Hotz

Jim Young

The family of Carol Dill

Mary Mike Wade, sister of Larry  
Walton, and the family of Don Wade

Matt Eckert, son of Mark and Rita, who is  
currently deployed

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Please send prayer requests to  
[pastomichelle@stpaulucc.org](mailto:pastomichelle@stpaulucc.org)  
or call 618-233-3303

*Praying for your health and well being!*

*Answer: The office of the church Music Director.*

#### Weekly Attendance

9am Sept 19, 2021 71 + Online Participants Sept 20, 2020 56 Outside Service

Offering for 9/19/2021 - \$3,692

#### **General Fund**

Needed each week \$8,082

Giving to Date  \$274,626

Budget to...  \$307,116

Total Budget  \$420,256