



Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and
your flesh shall be restored and you
shall be clean.

2 Kings 5:10

Sunday, July 3, 2022
4th Sunday after Pentecost

“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

July 3, 2022 ~ 9:00 am

4th Sunday After Pentecost

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor.....	Rev. Michelle Torigian
Director of Music	Tristan Frampton
Liturgist	Brett White

WELCOME

Rev. Michelle Torigian

PRELUDE

Celebration No. 4 in G, by Michael R. Keller
Glory Ringers Summer Ensemble

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: May a joyful sound to the Holy One. Let the earth rejoice.

Many: How awesome are your works, O Sovereign!

One: Creation groans under abuse and neglect.

Many: We cry out to you, Present God, and you hear and respond.

One: You turn our mourning into movement and stir our souls to action and to rest.

Many: Everlasting God, we will give thanks and praise you for you clothe us in joy and peace.

INVOCATION (UNISON)

God with us, you send us into the world as your agents of restoration and change. You speak to us in the stillness of our rest and the chaos of a frenzied world. You guide us in troubling times, and you move us to dance in celebration. We give thanks for your presence among us. Open all points of receptivity within us as we worship you, Holy and Living God. Amen.

***PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION AND REFLECTION (UNISON)**

Spirit of the Living God, temptation surrounds us. Self-preservation lures us to indifference. Fear of confrontation coaxes us to keep silent about things that matter. The desire to be right entices us to ignore the cries of our neighbors. Too often we ignore the call to go and do. Too often, we are the ones who refuse to welcome you into our intimate space, who resist the work of transformation, and who remain unresponsive to the burdens of our siblings in creation. Spirit of Gentleness, redirect us back to the path of life, the way of justice and love, and the hope of peace. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF GRACE AND HOPE**

Our Companion and Advocate takes this journey with us. Our invitation to make the realm of God our dwelling place continually renews. The Righteous One opens the door and eases our entry into new life, new mercy, and new grace.

A MESSAGE FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

Pastor Michelle

SPECIAL MUSIC *Ain'-A That Good News*, arr. William L. Dawson
Bill Guthrie, Tristan Frampton,
Tom Birkner, and Steve Schmidt

SCRIPTURE 2 Kings 5:1-14

SERMON It's Who You Know

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.**

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This worship service is live streamed and recorded.

*Notes where to stand if comfortably able.

Liturgy from May Peace Be: Service Prayers for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost were written by Rev. Dr. Cheryl A. Lindsay, Minister for Worship and Theology, United Church of Christ. Communion liturgy and prayer of thanksgiving written by Rev. Michelle L. Torigian. Information about today's service: All St. Paul United Church of Christ services may be recorded and/or streamed. Music is used with permission through Onelicense.net License #A-715913, CCLI #1795791, St. James Press License #17755, or public domain.

REFLECTION ON GIVING

The generous life responds to the call to mutuality and burden sharing. The generous life recognizes the abundance of creation and trusts the generosity of the Giver of every good and perfect gift. The generous life follows the steps of Jesus in meeting needs, spreading hope, and sharing love.

*DOXOLOGY (Tune: *Old Hundreth*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ in whom God's grace we know
Praise Spirit, with us evermore
One God, triune, whom we adore. Amen.**

*BLESSING OF THE GIFTS (UNISON)

Creator, bless these gifts that we bring to this community and the world. May our time be used preciously, our treasure shared faithfully, and our talents demonstrated gloriously in your name. Amen.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sentences of Invitation

Communion Prayer and Words of Remembrance

Distribution of the Elements

All are welcome at the Table of Christ! Ushers will release the pews to come forward. Gluten free communion will be in the basket on the table. If you would like white grape juice or wine please take a cup. Bread will be served in your cupped hand, then select grape juice (white juice) in outer ring, wine (red) in inner two rings. Consume the elements and place cup in tray before returning to the pew. If you need service in the pew please raise your hand.

Communion Music

Savior, Like a Shepherd,
by William Bradbury, arr. Nancy Tipton
Glory Ringers Summer Ensemble

730 Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

B \flat B \flat
D F B \flat B \flat
F F7 B \flat

1 Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the com - ing of the Lord;
2 I have seen him in the watch-fires of a hun - dred cir - cling camps,
3 He has sound-ed forth the trum-pet that shall nev - er call re - treat;
4 In the beau - ty of the lil - ies Christ was born a - cross the sea,

B \flat
D Eb B \flat

he is tramp - ling out the vin - tage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
they have build - ed him an al - tar in the eve - ning dews and damps;
he is sift - ing out the hearts of all be - fore his judg - ment seat.
with a glo - ry in his bos - om that trans - fig - ures you and me;

B \flat B \flat
D F B \flat B \flat
F F7 B \flat

he hath loosed the fate - ful light - ning of his ter - ri - ble swift sword;
I can read his right - eous sen - tence by the dim and flar - ing lamps;
O be swift, my soul, to an - swer him; be ju - bi - lant, my feet!
as he died to make us ho - ly, let us die to make all free,

B \flat Cm7 B \flat F7 B \flat *Refrain* B \flat B \flat
D F B \flat B \flat Eb

his truth is march - ing on.
his day is march - ing on. Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le -
Our God is march - ing on. while God is march - ing on.

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory, cont.

Musical score for the hymn "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory, cont." The score is written for voice and piano. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The melody is in the treble clef, and the piano accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "lu - jah! Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! His truth is march - ing on." Above the staff, the following chords are indicated: Bb, Bb/D, F, Bb, Bb/D, Cm7/Eb, Bb/F, F7, Bb.

Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

Spirit of God, who fed the multitudes, provided the manna in the wilderness, and blessed the elements, we give great thanks for the meal eaten and the company surrounding us. Inspire us as we move forward this day and encourage us to transform our dreams into reality. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

BATTLE HYMN

(See previous page)

The words to this hymn were written by Julia Ward Howe who was an poet, abolitionist, preacher, and co-founder of the American Woman Suffrage Association. The lyrics came from her poem "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." Ward Howe had worked for the US Sanitary Commission which promoted sanitary conditions for hospitals and the soldiers who they served.

***BENEDICTION**

Go on your way into the harvest as laborers bringing good news into a world of need. Go on your way as companions of one another, of the Spirit, and of Christ. Go on your way in the assurance that the God of peace goes with you, before you, and behind you. Go in peace. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Quattro Versetti per Organo, No. 1
by Girolamo Pera

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

In 1960, the “Our St. Paul” printed information on how to join the “Penquin Club”. What was this group?

This Week

Sundays

- 9am Traditional Worship
10am Coffee Hour after worship
Culinaire’s Breakfast
(3rd Sunday of the month)

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**

9am Live Sundays & repeat at 9pm

ANSWER: Congregation members contributing to a fund to install air conditioning in the church.

Watch videos on YouTube:
<https://www.youtube.com/>

For Your Prayers

Gus Kuether
Lori Coleman
Carol Hotz
Shirley Martin
Sue Kuether
Eileen Wetzel
Grace Wolf
Marilyn
Dinkelmann
Christopher Mitchell

Scott Schmidt,
brother of Steve
Schmidt
Laura Sadler
Mona McAllister
Brian Sample,
nephew of Kathy
Birkner
The loved ones of
Eileen Wetzel

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Praying for your health and well being!



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Belleville, illinois*

Weekly Attendance

9am May 22, 2022 88 + Online Participants May 23, 2021 63 + 31 Outside

Offering through 5/28/2022 - \$3,333

General Fund

Needed each week \$7,696

Giving to Date _____ \$163,464
Budget to.. _____ \$161,616

Total Budget _____ \$400,199