

Our St. Paul

August 2022

YOUR St. Paul Team

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
8:30am-4pm

Friday
9am-12pm

Call us @ 618-233-3303

ST. PAUL FRIENDS FUNDRAISER EVENT SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 FROM 6-10

A Big Invitation to the St. Paul congregation and Friends to attend the end of the summer fundraiser with friends, food, music and fun. Chris Ritter's band and Jillian will provide music from 6-10. It will be \$20.00 a person which \$10.00 will go to the church and the balance will cover pulled chicken sandwiches and hamburgers from Roy-el catering. We ask that you bring an Hors d'oeuvre, dessert or side. Your choice. Bring your cooler and lawn chair for a relaxing fun evening. Any questions call Sandy Ritter. Looking forward to seeing everyone for a fun evening. A Big Thank You to Scharf Farm for hosting.

*How are you experiencing
God this summer?*

St. Paul friends:
Send in your photos of how you have experienced God-whether it's been on vacation, in your backyard, or anywhere in between.

We will be posting them on the bulletin boards in the hallway near the office.

Please send photos to
pastormichelle@stpaulucc.org

OUR ST. PAUL is published monthly. It is edited by our pastor and produced by the office staff. Material for inclusion may be sent to the church noted for **Our St. Paul**.

ISSUE
September

DEADLINE
August 25th

MAIL DATE
September 1st

Pastor's Message - *Celebrate Everything!*

Between August 2007 and February 2008, on my dad's side of the family, we lost two cousins and my grandma. In each of these cases, our family came together for funerals and shared a table together after the service, reminiscing about times with our loved ones as we ate our meal.

"We need to get together some other time - for a happy occasion," we would say at the end of each funeral and meal. And yet, we would get busy with our lives, and ended up placing the reunions on the backburner.

"Let's celebrate my 35th birthday with the family!" I told my parents in the spring of 2008. Thirty-five is not exactly a remarkable milestone in life. But I wanted to get together with the family for a reason besides a funeral. So in April 2008, we gathered together to eat cake and enjoy one another's company.

Taking time to celebrate the little and big events in our life is part of the joy of being human. We had the chance recently to celebrate the retirement of Stephenie Bauza and thank her for her work at St. Paul. At the same time we were at Tavern on Main honoring this milestone in her life, another party was in the same room celebrating what seemed to be a birthday. Tavern on Main that Thursday afternoon was filled with much mirth as we honored the people we loved.

I love the story of Jesus celebrating his loved ones wedding in Cana with his mom from John 3. The narrative points us to a person who wanted his friends to have the best celebration possible. Ecclesiastes 3 tells us that there is a time to dance. Verse 12 notes that "there is nothing better for them than to be happy and enjoy themselves as long as they live."

For many of us, though, it does take intentionality to set aside the time to celebrate the little things. We get busy with families, doctor's appointments, and work. Our calendar fills up. It takes us plugging in a time and place for us to celebrate and invite the ones who will share the joy with us.

I'm excited that during the month of August the folks of St. Paul are finding ways to celebrate the joy in life. First, we have our Margarita Monday Book Exchange fundraiser on August 1. Then we will be gathering together on August 13 at Scharf Farm for our St. Paul Friends event. And on August 28, we will be attending the Cards vs. Braves baseball game at Busch Stadium. In the mix of all of this, many of us will be attending a trivia night fundraiser for Beacon Ministries on August 20 and the Interfaith Food Pantry's 15th anniversary on August 6.

What will you celebrate during the month of August? Getting through a treatment or surgery? A celebration delayed due to previous Covid restrictions, heightened numbers, or Covid itself? A non-milestone birthday like 42 or 74? My family will be celebrating my mom's 75th birthday happening this month! Whatever or however you celebrate, may the joy of the Spirit lift your souls, and may the Christ of connections bring us together with our loved ones to celebrate the mighty and miniscule in life.

Blessings, Pastor Michelle



Trivia Night

August 20, 2022

7:00pm/Doors open 6:15pm

St. Augustine of


Canterbury Church

1910 West Belle ~ Belleville IL

Beacon Ministry, a ministry for poverty-stricken people in the Belleville area and beyond is having a Trivia Night fundraiser and silent auction. The cost is \$20 per person and our church is looking to have a St. Paul table at this event. Anyone interested can put your name on the sign-up sheet in the church Narthex or call the office.

If we can get a table of ten people before Aug. 4 it will only cost \$15 per person.

Attendees are welcome to bring snacks and there will also be beer, wine, soda, and water available for purchase at the event.



50/50 Summer Grand Slam

Help support the operating fund by participating in our summer 50/50 drawing. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The winning ticket will be drawn on Sunday, August 28 - St. Paul day at the ballgame. Tickets are available in the Welcome Center and through the church office.

Take me out to the ballgame,
Take me out with my friends,
Join with St. Paul at the Cardinals game,
Oh, to miss it would be such a shame!
For a ticket, hotdog, and soda,
and give-away bobble surprise,
Only \$25 all this you can claim at the old, ballgame!



August 28 – St. Louis Cardinals vs. Atlanta Braves

Game Time 1:15pm

\$25 per person

Ticket includes voucher for hotdog and soda.

Plus Mystery Hall of Fame Car Parade Bobblehead to first 25,000!

Tickets are limited. Get yours in the Welcome Center on Sundays or through the church office.

MATS FOR COMMUNITY COMFORT

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, August 16th from 1-3pm
in the craft room



THANK YOU FOR SHARING AND CARING, SANDY RITTER

Too hot to walk outside?



**Come to St. Paul UCC and walk in
the air-conditioned gym!**











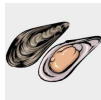










No appointment necessary!

Monday & Wednesday any time from 11:30-2
and Tuesday & Thursday any time from 9-2





Sun	Mon	Tue
	1 9am-Pickle Ball 6pm-Margarita Monday Book Exchange 	2 9:30am-Quilters 10:00-Bible Study 5pm-Community Dinner
7 9am Worship 10am Coffee & Doughnuts  <i>National Friendship Day!</i>	8 9am-Pickle Ball 4:30pm-Finance Meeting  <i>National Frozen Custard Day!</i>	9 9:30am-Quilters 10:00-Bible Study 5pm-Community Dinner
14 9am Worship 10am Coffee & Doughnuts	15 9am-Pickle Ball  <i>National Relaxation Day!</i>	16 9:30am-Quilters 10:00-Bible Study 1pm-Mats for Community 5pm-Community Dinner
21 9am Worship 10am Coffee & Doughnuts *We will bless our students and teachers during worship!*	22 9am-Pickle Ball  <i>National Be an Angel Day!</i>	23 9:30am-Quilters 10:00-Bible Study 5pm-Community Dinner
28 9am Worship 10am Coffee & Doughnuts 1:15pm-St Paul Day @ Cardinal Game	29 9am-Pickle Ball	30 9:30am-Quilters 10:00-Bible Study 5pm-Community Dinner  <i>National Grief Awareness Day!</i>

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>3</p> <p>9am-Pickle Ball 10am-Stewardship Meeting 6:30pm-UCC Statement of Faith Study group</p>	<p>4</p>  <p><i>National Coast Guard Day!</i></p>	<p>5</p>  <p><i>National Oyster Day!</i></p>	<p>6</p> <p>1-3pm-Community Interfaith Food Pantry Open House</p>
<p>10</p> <p>9am-Pickle Ball 6:30pm-Mission Meeting 6:30pm-UCC Statement of Faith Study group</p>	<p>11</p> <p>7pm-Personnel Meeting</p> 	<p>12</p>  <p><i>National Vinyl Record Day!</i></p>	<p>13</p> <p>10am-Centering Prayer 6-10pm-St. Paul Fundraiser @ Scharf Farm</p> 
<p>17</p> <p>9am-Pickle Ball 1pm-Women's Guild 6:30pm-UCC Statement of Faith Study group</p>	<p>18</p> <p>6pm-Council Meeting</p>  <p><i>National Fajita Day!</i></p>	<p>19</p>  <p><i>National Potato Day!</i></p>	<p>20</p> <p>7pm-Beacon Trivia Night @ St Augustine-Belleville</p>  <p><i>World Honey Bee Day!</i></p>
<p>24</p> <p>9am-Pickle Ball 1pm-Women's Guild 6:30pm-UCC Statement of Faith Study group</p>	<p>25</p>  <p><i>National Banana Split Day!</i></p>	<p>26</p>  <p><i>National Women's Equality Day!</i></p>	<p>27</p> <p>10am-Centering Prayer</p>
<p>31</p> <p>9am-Pickle Ball 6:30pm-UCC Statement of Faith Study group</p>	<p><i>August is National Back to School Month!</i></p> 		

a LISTEN UP! Bible study

God is still speaking,

ELISSA JOHNS

Next Bible Study
Listen Up Series - John
Starting August 2nd @ 10am
in the Genesis Room
Contact
Donna Davis for more information!

Contact the office if you would like a printout of the two sessions!



For more information call
St. Clair County Office
on Aging: 618-234-4410

Senior Pickle Ball

Pickle ball is a combination of tablet tennis, badminton and tennis. This sport is played on an indoor badminton court with a racquet and whiffle ball.

A low impact/ low risk activity:

Mondays & Wednesdays @ 9-11am
St Paul UCC ACTIVITY CENTER
115 W B Street
Belleville, IL 62220

COMMUNITY INTERFAITH FOOD PANTRY

OPEN HOUSE

HELP US CELEBRATE OUR
15TH ANNIVERSARY ON
SATURDAY, AUGUST 6TH
FROM 1-3 PM
1218 WEST MAIN STREET
BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS 62220
618-355-9199



Revenues	<u>2022 Final Budget</u>	<u>2022 June Actuals</u>	<u>YTD Actuals</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Congregational Offerings	\$379,198.27	\$39,331	\$194,291	51.24%
MDO Tuition/Other Income	\$55,110.00	0.00	20,601	37.38%
MDO Fundraiser / Memorials	\$0.00	0.00	2,019	N/A
Special Stewardship Events	\$5,000.00	20.	(54)	-1.08%
Rental Income - 205 W B Street	\$10,500.00	850	5,100	48.57%
Building Fund	\$21,000.00	3,045	10,239	48.75%
Outreach / Various Missions	\$0.00	4,685	24,088	N/A
Memorials	\$11,000.00	325	4,595	41.77%
Bequests	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A
Building Income	\$2,500.00	0	750	30.00%
Pastoral Honorarium	\$1,200.00	0	0	0.00%
Pastoral Expense Revenue	\$0.00	0	0	N/A
Investment Income / Michelson Income	\$14,000.00	0	15,975	114.11%
Endowment Distribution (per guidelines)	\$98,500.00	0	0	0.00%
Endowment Distribution (Cap. Exp.)	\$15,000.00	0	39,035	260.23%
Other Income	\$1,200.00	1,841	1,891	157.58%
Total Operating Revenues	\$614,208.97	\$50,097	\$318,530	51.86%
Team Revenues	\$6,000.00	828.	5,121	
Capital Expenses			\$0.00	
HH Window Repair & Paint			\$0.00	
Grand Total	\$620,208.97	\$50,925	\$323,651	52.18%
Expenses				
Personnel	(\$307,950.27)	(\$25,611)	(\$131,227)	42.61%
Administrative Support (formerly Operating Expenses)	(53,350.00)	(3,396)	(26,197)	49.10%
Outreach (formerly Mission Board)	(13,970.00)	(357)	(15,161)	108.53%
Education (MDO listed separately)	(2,900.00)	(1,053)	(1,666)	57.45%
Stewardship	(1,675.00)	(0)	(532)	31.75%
Property	(167,008.70)	(10,521)	(72,287)	43.28%
Congregational Care (formerly Worship Bd)	(18,245.00)	(323)	(2,970)	16.28%
MDO	(55,110.00)	(182)	(28,456)	51.63%
General Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A
Total Operating Expense	(620,208.97)	(41,443)	(278,496)	44.90%
Difference between Revenue & Expenses	⁹ 0.00	\$9,482	\$45,155	



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 Mueller
8/29-Jean & EJ Sporleder

August Birthdays

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

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

June 2022 Attendance: 9am 281 + Online

June 2021 9am: 202 & 6pm: 64

June 2022 All Gifts: \$49,193.10

June 2021 All Gifts: \$ 42,638.75

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

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

IHO Marilyn Dinkelmann

Edna Mae Schwarz

IMO Bobbie Smith

Nancy Viehman

IMO Harriet Lipe

Margie Yevara

Kenneth & Carolyn Frank

Bonnie Lapka

Tyann Layton

Viola Nettleton

Louise Forrler

IMO Eileen Wetzel

Donna Davis

Lynn Koehler

Faye Weiss

Jane Bonaldi

Shirley Blixen

For Your Prayers

Lori Coleman

Carol Hotz

Shirley Martin

Marilyn Dinkelmann

Debbie McIntyre, daughter of Arline

Worms

Scott Schmidt, brother of Steve Schmidt

Laura Sadler

Mona McAllister

Brian Sample, nephew of Kathy Birkner

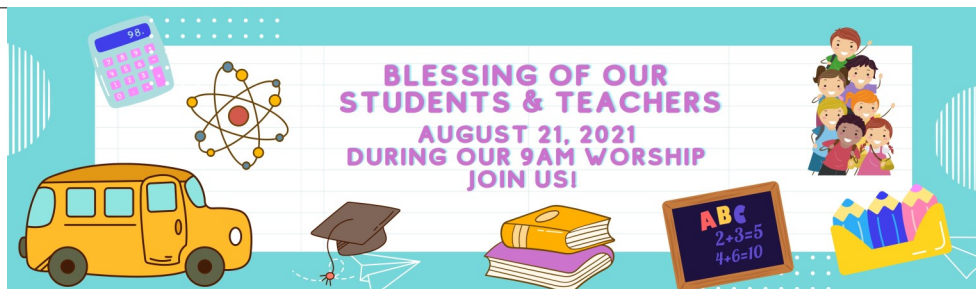
Donna Young

Christopher Mitchell

Otto Christopher Kennedy, nephew of
Scott & Lana Gentry

Laura Howie, daughter of Jeanette &
Elgee Phillips

Jane Rogers



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MAIL DATE: **August 2nd, 2022**

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Return Service Requested

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Weekly events

Sundays 9am Worship
10am Coffee Hour
NO Culinaires' Breakfast for
August



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



Like us on Facebook
*St Paul United Church of Christ,
Belleville, Illinois*

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.

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

4) **Sign up for the eNews (Newsletter)!**

Church Office Contact Information:

618-233-3303

stpaulucc.org

Attention:

We want to know
YOU are here!

Please make sure to sign in on
the pew pad in your pew.