



Our St. Paul September 2022

YOUR St. Paul Team

Rev. Michelle Torigian, Senior Pastor

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Ian Hipkins, Technology Coordinator

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday

8:30am-4pm

Friday

9am-12pm

Call us @ 618-233-3303

Join us for bible study!

Listen Up Series - John

Every Tuesday @ 10am
in the Genesis Room

Bible Study



Culinaire's

Pancake, Sausage & Egg Breakfast!



September 18th after 9 a.m. service!

Suggested donation \$5



Flowers, Music and Bulletin sponsorships are available!

Our sponsorships are a lovely way to honor the memory or achievement of your loved one. You can call the church office, or there is a sign up sheet outside the office hanging on the bulletin board. The sponsorship cost is \$35.00.

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ISSUE

October

DEADLINE

September 23rd

MAIL DATE

October 1st

Pastor's Message - *Reconnect*

In the obituary of our beloved receptionist Donna Young, her husband Jim mentioned “live life to the fullest, don't be afraid to tell family and friends that you love them, stay in touch, call, text, write, visit...” Donna was someone who loved her friends and family deeply, remembering to keep in touch with the people who meant much to her.

Sometimes, as we lose more people close to us, we realize the impact of their lives on ours. We wish that we would have spent the moments calling them or arranging for a get-together with them. The time passes, and we tell ourselves “tomorrow.” So many tomorrows pass us by that “tomorrow” never comes.

First of all, it's crucial for us to remember that this is when grace comes in. Our lives often get messy, chaotic, and overwhelming that the gathering doesn't happen. And we feel the guilt if they pass away or even move away to another state before we had that chance to get together. But God's grace is great that we know when we pass from this life we will be reunited with that loved one. God's love and mercy brings us peace when we see the opportunities we've missed and will create new opportunities for reconnection throughout our lives.

Secondly, as we move forward, we are called to try our best to love the people who matter or have mattered to us during our different seasons. We are intentional about creating time and space to share joy with others. Admittedly, sometimes it takes much intentionality and energy to make that gathering happen, but when it does, we experience the thin spaces between God, our neighbors, and ourselves.

So in the spirit of this article, and as I write this, I'm texting one of my dearest friends from college because we keep saying “tomorrow.” I know in my life I don't want to miss opportunities of seeing the people who matter the most to me. I want to take the time to laugh with them and sit with them when they are in pain. And I encourage you to do the same. Our connections are holy, and God is calling us to create the opportunities of experiencing joy with the people who are special to us.

Blessings, Pastor Michelle

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Conversations with Pastor Michelle

Let's catch up!!! Join me for conversation at one of these times.

Food and drinks are BYO.

September 12	3:30-5pm	Pastor Michelle at White Cottage
September 15	9:30-11:30am	Pastor Michelle at Joe & Onie's
September 19	2-4pm	Pastor Michelle at Pour 322
September 22	5:30-7pm	Pastor Michelle at Grafted

2022 Walk To End Alzheimer's

Saturday, October 1st
9:00 am – 11:00 a.m. SWIC

Join Our Team:

“St. Paul UCC Belleville”

And/or donate to fund
Alzheimer's Research.



Go To: [2022 Walk to End Alzheimer's Belleville](#) → [Walk Details](#)

→ [Register/Donate](#) → [St Paul UCC Belleville](#)



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

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 @ 9-11 am,
Fridays 9:15-11:15

St Paul UCC ACTIVITY CENTER

115 W B Street
Belleville, IL 62220



Would you like to see a return of the Welcome Team and offer an open door as you greet people when they arrive at church on Sunday morning? If you are interested in being a part of the Welcome Team, contact either one of the Congregational Care Team Leaders, Debbie Lippert, dlippert1@att.net, or Beverly Brightwell, bev@stc708.org,

Mats for Community Comfort



Please join us for our next workshop on
September 20th @ 1pm



Contact Sandy Ritter or the church office
for more information!

Volunteer promoting St. Paul UCC
at our Metro East Pride booth on
October 1. We will be partnering
with Trinity UCC. Contact Pastor
Michelle to sign up or for more
information.

Youth Group at Centerfield Park

Middle & High School Youth:
Join us for Mini-Golf, food, and more!
September 25 at 4pm
To RSVP, contact Pastor Michelle at
pastormichelle@stpaulucc.org.

Sept 25
@4pm

CARING FOR HORSES AT DUBOIS

We're teaming with our friends at Trinity UCC. Please consider sponsoring the horses at Camp Dubois. Here are some items your donation would provide! Contact the St. Paul UCC church office to make a donation:

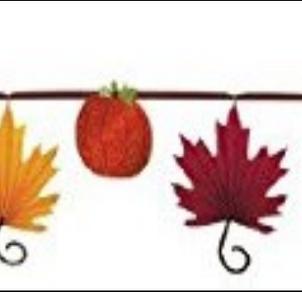
- Mineral salt block \$10 – these irresistible blocks of lickable salt are thrown out with the hay during the summer months to improve our horses' nutrition, and to help them refuel after long days of fun with campers.
- Bag of horse feed \$15
- Alfalfa cubes \$30 – These are absolutely required for adequate nutrition for our senior horses to enjoy their "retirement" here with happy bellies and strong bodies.
- Equestrian helmet \$50
- Feed a horse for a month for \$65
- New halter and reins \$80
- New saddle \$500



SEPTEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue
<p>4</p> <p>9am Worship 10am Coffee & Doughnuts</p> <p><i>National Pastor's Spouses Day!</i></p>	<p>5</p> <p>LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED</p> 	<p>6</p> <p>9am-Quilters 10am-Bible Study 2pm-PRC 5pm-Community Dinner 6pm-Business & Property</p>
<p>11</p> <p>9am Worship 10am Coffee & Doughnuts</p> <p><i>Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance</i></p>	<p>12</p> <p>9am-Pickle Ball 7pm-Executive Council 3:30-5pm Pastor Michelle at White Cottage</p> <p><i>National Day of Encouragement!</i></p>	<p>13</p> <p>9am-Quilters 10am-Bible Study 1pm-Shufflers-Library 5pm-Community Dinner</p> <p><i>National Celiac Disease Awareness Day!</i></p>
<p>18</p> <p>9am Worship 10am Culinaires' Breakfast</p>  <p><i>Wife Appreciation Day!</i></p>	<p>19</p> <p>9am-Pickle Ball 2-4pm Pastor Michelle at Pour 322</p>	<p>20</p> <p>9am-Quilters 10am-Bible Study 1pm-Mats for Community 5pm-Community Dinner</p>
<p>25</p> <p>9am Worship 10am Coffee & Doughnuts 3pm-Equinox Concert Heritage Hall 4pm-Youth Gathering</p> <p><i>National Daughters Day!</i></p>	<p>26</p> <p>9am-Pickle Ball</p>	<p>27</p> <p>9am-Quilters 10am-Bible Study 5pm-Community Dinner</p>  <p><i>National Day of Forgiveness</i></p>

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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1

2
9:15 am-Pickle Ball



National Food Bank Day!

3



World Beard Day!

7
9am-Pickle Ball
4:30pm-Bible Study
7:15pm-Chancel Choir

8
7pm-Personnel Meeting

9
9:15 am-Pickle Ball



National Teddy Bear Day!

10
10am-Centering Prayer

National Swap Ideas Day!

14
9am-Pickle Ball
6pm-Glory Ringers
6:30pm-Mission Meeting
7:15pm-Chancel Choir

15
**9:30-11:30am Pastor
Michelle at Joe & Onie's**
6pm-Council Meeting

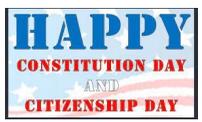
*National Double
Cheeseburger Day!*

16
9:15 am-Pickle Ball



National Guacamole Day!

17



*Constitution Day and
Citizenship Day!*

21
9am-Pickle Ball
1pm-Women's Guild
6pm-Glory Ringers
7:15pm-Chancel Choir

22
FIRST DAY OF FALL!

**5:30-7pm Pastor Michelle at
Grafted**

23
9:15 am-Pickle Ball

24
10am-Centering Prayer
10:30am-Bobbie Smith
Memorial Service

28
9am-Pickle Ball
6pm-Glory Ringers
7:15pm-Chancel Choir

29



National Coffee Day!

30
9:15 am-Pickle Ball



National Love People Day!



PICKLEBALL

St. Paul Fine Arts



2022 – 2023 Season

115 West B Street, Belleville, Illinois 62220

Presents

EQUINOX Chamber Players



Sunday, September 25, 2022

At 3:00 p.m. in Heritage Hall

Concert is free and open to the public.

A free will offering will be taken.

Revenues	2022 Final Budget	2022 July Actuals	YTD Actuals	% of Budget
Congregational Offerings	379,198	31,201	225,493	59.47%
MDO Tuition/Other Income	55,110	0	20,601	37.38%
MDO Fundraiser / Memorials	0	0	2,019	N/A
Special Stewardship Events	5,000	1,480	1,427	28.53%
Rental Income - 205 W B Street	10,500	850	5,950	56.67%
Building Fund	21,000	3,990	14,229	67.76%
Outreach / Various Missions	0	1,960	26,048	N/A
Memorials	11,000	555	5,150	46.82%
Bequests	0	0	0	N/A
Building Income	2,500	330	1,080	43.20%
Pastoral Honorarium	1,200	950	950	79.17%
Pastoral Expense Revenue	0	60	60	N/A
Investment Income / Michelson Income	14,000	0	15,975	114.11%
Endowment Distribution (per guidelines)	98,500	0	0	N/A
Endowment Distribution (Cap. Exp.)	15,000	0	39,035	260.23%
Other Income	1,200	17	1,908	159.00%
Total Operating Revenues	614,209	41,394	359,924	58.60%
Team Revenues	6,000	401	5,522	92.03%
Capital Expenses			0	N/A
HH Window Repair & Paint			0	N/A
Grand Total	620,209	41,795	365,446	58.92%
Expenses				
Personnel	(301,950)	(18,367)	(149,595)	49.54%
Administrative Support (formerly Operating Expenses)	(53,350)	(5,570)	(31,767)	59.54%
Outreach (formerly Mission Board)	(13,970)	(440)	(15,601)	111.67%
Education (MDO listed separately)	(2,900)	(170)	(1,937)	63.33%
Stewardship	(1,675)	(148)	(680)	40.59%
Property	(191,043)	(18,725)	(91,012)	47.64%
Congregational Care (formerly worship Rd)	(18,245)	(575)	(3,545)	19.43%
MDO	(55,110)	0	(28,456)	51.63%
General Fund	0	0	0	N/A
Total Operating Expense	(620,209)	(43,996)	(322,492)	52.00%
Difference between Revenue & Expenses	0	(2,201)	42,954	



Anniversaries & Birthdays



September Wedding Anniversaries

9/8-Wayne & Janet Kniepkamp
 9/13-Rob & Carrie Naylor
 9/14-Richard & Vickie Dziaba
 9/17-Matthew & Lisa Smith



September Birthdays



9/1-Susan Relfe
 9/2-Karen Boeschen
 9/2-Sharen Guthrie
 9/2-Henry Keck, Jr.
 9/2-Wayne Kniepkamp
 9/3-Steven Flach
 9/3-Debbie Price
 9/4-Bob Hughes
 9/4-Jack Olsen
 9/4-Avery White
 9/7-Ashley Hoefft
 9/7-Linda Mentzer
 9/9-Beverly Brightwell
 9/10-Carol Simon

9/10-Aaron Coleman
 9/14-JoAnn Oesterle
 9/15-Elise White
 9/16-Luci Bradley
 9/18-Kathy Liddy
 9/18-Janice Smith-Walta
 9/18-Roxy Collins
 9/22-William Enyart
 9/24-Erlene Seelman
 9/24-Jerry Pierce-Heisler
 9/25-Jeffrey Dinkelman
 9/26-Vicki Keck
 9/26-Colette Smith
 9/29-Michael Pierce



Happy Birthday

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

July 2022 Attendance: 9am 378 + Online

July 2021 9am: 332 & 6pm: 44

July 2022 All Gifts: \$41,906.98

July 2021 All Gifts: \$ 48,644.01

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 Donna Young

David & Sue Hoffman
Roscoe McCoy
Donna Davis
Diane Denison
Scott & Peggy Burke
Gary Friedrich
Janice Friedrich
Sandy & Tim Ritter
Gloria Strohm
Brett, Elise, & Avery White
Terry & Synthia Kalinowski
Jennifer Dumas

Bobby Lee & Sandy Frerking
Wayne & Sandra Wagner
Jerry Pierce
Pamela Nicholson

IMO Bobbie Smith

Barb Eichenlaub-Cornell

IHO Stephenie Bauza-Retirement

Lynn & Luci Bradley

IHO Helen Whicher-93rd B-Day

Lynn & Luci Bradley

For Your Prayers

Carol Hotz
Shirley Martin
Jane Rogers
Betty Rieso
Marilyn Dinkelmann
Christopher Mitchell
Mona McAllister
Lori Coleman
Scott Schmidt, brother of Steve Schmidt

Brian Sample, nephew of Kathy Birkner
Otto Christopher Kennedy, great nephew
of Scott & Lana Gentry
Laura Howie, daughter of Jeanette &
Elgee Phillips
Ethel Klasing, aunt of Jerry Pierce-Heisler
Colleen Igou, Roger Henke's fiancé
Debbie McIntyre, daughter of Arline
Worms

The Loved Ones of Donna Young
The Loved Ones of Donald Erwin
The Loved Ones of Lillian Franke (Lisa Smith's Grandma)

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

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PHONE: 618-233-3303

MAIL DATE: **September 1, 2022**

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Return Service Requested

Labels Here

Weekly events

Sundays 9am Worship
10am Coffee Hour
Culinaires' Breakfast 3rd
Sunday of the month.



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.