



Our St. Paul June 2024

YOUR St. Paul Team

Rev. Michelle Torigian, Senior Pastor
Rev. Tim Powers-Reed, Ministry Assistant
Patrick Kinney, Facility Manager
Dr. Tristan Frampton, Director of Music
Kevin Chunko, Organist/Pianist
Sherry Wilhelm, Office Coordinator
Kathy Buehler, Bookkeeper
Ian Hipkins, Technology Coordinator
Evan Wilhelm, Support Staff
Mary Blaies, Support Staff

Church office hours:

Monday - Thursday

8:30am-4pm

Friday

9am-12pm

Church Office

Contact Information:

618-233-3303

stpaulucc.org



St. Paul UCC Night at White Cottage

**Monday, June 3
6-8pm**

**102 Lebanon Ave.
Belleville**



**Part of the proceeds
from this delicious
fundraiser will go to
the ministries of
St. Paul UCC.**

**Contact the church at
618.233.3303 for more
information.**



PLEASE JOIN US!

Pastor's Message

A Season of Joy

On the Sunday following Pentecost the liturgical season of Ordinary Time begins. Sometimes you see the season is noted as the “Season of Pentecost.” No matter what this liturgical season is called, it really isn’t as expectedly fancy as the seasons of Christmas, Epiphany, or Easter. It’s not as jazzy and bright as Pentecost itself. And it isn’t a time of focused reflection like Lent or Advent. It’s Ordinary Time.

Ordinary is often felt as filler, plain, and to some boring. We can often use the word “everyday” interchangeably with ordinary. But I see it in very different ways.

We pastors often take this opportunity to shift our focus on the spectacular within the ordinary. Whether it’s a sermon series focused on the gospel of the liturgical year or a special theme, we try to bring our attention from the everyday to the holy.

Most of us live as if each day is ordinary. We get up, drink some coffee, go about our business, eat our meals, socialize with loved ones in the evening, and go to sleep. But within the patterns of everyday life, there are sparkles of beauty. There are moments to celebrate.

This isn’t a “everyone gets a trophy” situation - not that I think there’s anything wrong with participation awards. Completing a task or a season is most often a reason itself to celebrate - especially as physical, emotional, and spiritual challenges plague us. But I believe God wants us to rejoice in our small and large accomplishments along the way. Often, we delight in silence instead of exclaiming our joy as we should.

So during this season which is known as ordinary, we are going to illuminate the joys and celebrate! From June 3 through July 21, we will have the Season of Joy sermon series. During these services, we will be recognizing graduates in our congregation and families. We will be celebrating Rev. Dr. Chance Beeler’s four-way covenant as a St. Elizabeth’s Hospital Chaplain. And as all of this is in 2024, we continue to celebrate 185 years St. Paul UCC has been a part of the Belleville community!

Be ready to share your joys, celebrations, and accomplishments. We will continue to announce them during the announcements along with birthdays and anniversaries.

We see how demanding, troublesome, and brief life can be. We see how speedy days fly by and how we miss sharing our greetings of congratulations with one another. In this season, let us find every opportunity to find our bliss and share our joy with one another!

Blessings,
Pastor Michelle

P.S. I'll be gone from July 22-August 6 as I head to Wiesbaden, Germany to preach and explore the Frankfurt area and beyond!

Important announcement regarding the radio broadcast of our Sunday morning service



This letter has gone to our congregants who are worship through the radio and announced in worship and in our eNews throughout the month of June.

Dear Friends,

St. Paul began broadcasting our Sunday morning worship services via the radio on July 11, 1948. Our radio ministry has been an important ministry for us since not everyone can attend a church service in person, and we are grateful for the many ways it has connected with our members and neighbors for so many years..

In recent years, the Covid pandemic forced us to cancel in-person worship services for an extended period. Our situation during the Covid pandemic forced us to think about alternative ways we could deliver a worship experience to our congregation. We decided the Covid pandemic was an opportunity for us to begin streaming our worship services and other events across the internet on the social media site Facebook, on the video-streaming site YouTube, and on our own website StPaulUCC.org.

The number of radio listeners began to dwindle over the years even before the Covid pandemic. Currently, there are just a few members that listen to our radio broadcast on a regular basis. The Church Council has discussed ending the radio broadcast for the past few years due to the resources it takes to provide this service. After many conversations, the Council has decided that now is the time to end our radio ministry and focus on other means to provide worship services to those who cannot attend church in person. **Sunday May 26th was the date of our last radio broadcast.**

We know this may be difficult news to hear. Our hope is that we can find ways to continue to connect with you even after the radio ministry has ended. If you have questions regarding the end of the radio ministry, please contact one of us - Pastor Michelle or Roger Harris by calling the church office at 618-233-3303.

We are grateful for the ways that you have been invested in our church's life and look forward to speaking with you soon.

Blessings,

Rev. Michelle L. Torigian
Senior Pastor, St. Paul UCC

Roger Harris
St. Paul Council President



FATHER'S DAY HONOR ROLL



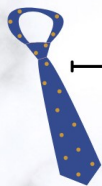
The Mission Board invites you to honor your Father (or any special man in your life) on Father's Day, Sunday, June 16th! Give a donation in his name and he will be placed on the Father's Day Honor Roll in the bulletin on Father's Day! This year the Mission Board will focus these contributions to Camp Dubois and Kindercottage.. Please place your donations in the offering boxes along with this form or mail to the church office by June 10th.



IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF (CIRCLE ONE)

FATHER / LOVED ONE'S NAME

YOUR NAME





**ST. PAUL UCC & TRINITY UCC
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Cokesbury's



for ages Pre-k through 6th grade

June 24-27 from 6-8pm

held at St. Paul UCC 115 West 'B' St., Belleville

**Call 618.233.3303
for more information or to register.**

VBS



GAME ON



**JUNE 14
6:30 PM**

St. Paul UCC Belleville

**GAME
NIGHT**

**WITH
Pickleball**

**FUN
TIMES**

115 WEST B ST. BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS 62220
Bring your own refreshments and games!

ST. PAUL FRIENDS

MARGARITA MONDAY



Book Exchange

July 15th @ 6:30pm - ?

HOME OF DAVE AND SUE HOFFMANN

233 BOURDELAIS, SWANSEA

BRING A BOOK, TAKE A BOOK

BRING LOTS OF BOOKS, TAKE LOTS OF BOOKS

***ALL REMAINING BOOKS ARE TAKEN TO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
FOR THEIR ANNUAL BOOK FAIR

MARGARITAS, TEA, & WATER PROVIDED

BRING A DISH TO SHARE

\$10.00 PER PERSON

Congrats Class of 2024!



Please submit a photo and
information about your or your
family member's graduation to
pastormichelle@stpaulucc.org. We
will be recognizing graduates of all
levels (from pre-K to graduate
degrees) during our
Sunday, June 9 service.



A Season of

JOY

Sermon Series
June 3-July 21

- *Kindness & Joy
- *Indulge in Joy
- *Communal Joy
- *Justice, Mercy, & Joy
- *Weird, Messy Joy
- *Gratitude for Joy
- *Transformational Joy
- *Embrace the Joy!

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Sun	Mon	Tue
<p>National Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Month</p> 	<p>National PTSD Awareness Month</p>	 <p>National Men's Health Month</p>
<p>2 9am-Communion Worship 10am-Coffee & Doughnuts</p> <p>National Cancer Survivors Day</p>	<p>3 9am-Pickle Ball 10:30am-Yoga Gold 6-8pm –White Cottage Fundraiser</p>  	<p>4 9am-Quilters 10am-Seekers Bible Study</p>  <p>National Hug Your Cat Day</p>
<p>9 9am-Worship 10am-Coffee & Doughnuts 10am-Mission Meeting-Library</p>	<p>10 9am-Pickle Ball 10:30am-Yoga Gold 6pm-Executive Council</p>	<p>11 9am-Quilters 10am-Seekers Bible Study 12pm-Shufflers 5pm-Community Dinner 5pm-Finance Meeting</p>
<p>16 Father's Day 9am-Worship 10am-Coffee & Doughnuts</p> 	<p>17 9am-Pickle Ball 10:30am-Yoga Gold 6pm-Executive Council</p>	<p>18 9am-Quilters 1pm-Mats for Community 5pm-Community Dinner</p>
<p>23 9am-Worship 10am-Coffee & Doughnuts 4pm-Youth Bowling</p>	<p>24 9am-Pickle Ball 10:30am-Yoga Gold 6-8pm—VBS</p>	<p>25 9am-Quilters 5pm-Community Dinner 6-8pm—VBS</p>
<p>30 9am-Worship 10am-Coffee & Doughnuts</p>		

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>First Day of LGBTQ+ Pride Month</i></p> 			<p>1</p>  <p><i>National Say Something Nice Day</i></p>
<p>5</p> <p>9am-Pickle Ball 11:30 am-Beginner Pickleball 1pm-With You Meeting</p>	<p>6</p> <p>10am-Worship Meeting 1:30-VBS Meeting</p>  <p><i>80th Anniversary of D-Day</i></p>	<p>7</p> <p>9:15 am-Pickle Ball</p>  <p><i>National Donut Day</i></p>	<p>8</p>  <p><i>National Best Friends Day</i></p>
<p>12</p> <p>9am-Pickle Ball 11:30 am-Beginner Pickleball 6pm-Inclusion Discussion Series @ Eckerts</p>	<p>13</p> <p>7pm-Personnel Meeting</p>  <p><i>National Random Acts of Light Day</i></p>	<p>14</p> <p>9:15 am-Pickle Ball 6:30pm-Game Night w/Pickleball</p>  <p><i>Army Birthday</i></p>	<p>15</p> 
<p>19 Juneteenth</p> <p>9am-Pickle Ball 11:30 am-Beginner Pickleball 1pm-Women's Guild</p> 	<p>20</p> <p>6pm-Council Meeting</p>  <p><i>Summer Begins!</i></p>	<p>21</p> <p>9:15 am-Pickle Ball</p>  <p><i>National Selfie Day</i></p>	<p>22</p> 
<p>26</p> <p>9am-Pickle Ball 6-8pm—VBS</p> <p>It's VBS time!</p>	<p>27</p> <p>6-8pm—VBS</p>	<p>28</p> <p>9:15 am-Pickle Ball</p> 	<p>29</p>  <p><i>National Camera Day</i></p>

**BRING YOUR OWN
PRE WASHED T-SHIRT**



Come Join Us

Please bring a prewashed
T-shirt in green, gray or black!

VBS T-Shirt Making Party

June 3rd, 1pm

@ St. Paul UCC, Belleville Illinois

Pastor Michelle's June 1 – July 21 office hours

Mondays 12–4pm

Tuesdays 9:30am–2:30pm

Wednesdays 12–4pm

Thursdays 9:30am –1:30pm

Fridays are my sabbath days.
While I am not in the office or
attending to administrative
work, I am available for
pastoral emergencies.

If there are exceptions,
I'll note them in the
weekly bulletin and
eNews. As always, feel
free to call ahead as I
may have stepped out
for a few minutes, be
in a meeting, or
attending to a
pastoral situation.



MATS FOR COMMUNITY COMFORT

**Please join us
on the 3rd Tuesday of
every month from 1-3pm
in the craft room.**

Please join us!



**Flowers, music and
bulletin sponsorships
are a lovely way to
honor the memory,
birthday or
achievement of your
loved one. To sign up,
you can call the
church office.
Cost is \$35.00.**





ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS



June Anniversaries



6/2-Robert & Karen O'Hara

6/7-Drew & Sandy Krame

6/9-Brett & Elise White

6/15-Wes & Sandy Krummrich

6/17-Al & Karen Keuss

6/19-Fred & Carol Hotz

6/21-Terry & Roxy Collins

6/22-Ryan & Amy Florek

6/23-Duane & Jerilyn Hausmann

6/30-Craig & Kathy Liddy



June Birthdays

6/3-Rusty Wagner

6/6-Ann Holliday

6/7-Viola Nettleton

6/10-Pete Kobernus

6/15-Joyce Bevirt

6/16-Rob Naylor

6/17-Mona Scheibel

6/21-Nancy Beasley

6/22-Neal Holliday

6/22-Amber Reed

6/23-Kristine Vineyard

6/29-Karen Zaber

6/30-Norma Franke

St Paul Shufflers and Gamers



2ND Tuesday of the month!

Lunch @ 12:00pm



It's time to eat and have some fun. Bring your favorite game or join in with others. It can be a card game or board game.

Or you can just be a kibbitzer and become a part of the party.

- **Who:** Members and friends are welcome to break bread and have fun and conversation.
- **Where:** Heritage Hall
- **When:** 12:00pm – until you're tired of having fun and conversation
- **What:** A light lunch of soup or salad will be provided. Bring your own beverage and anything else you want with your soup or salad; i.e. crackers, bread, butter.
Coffee can be provided.





Candy & Parade Walkers Needed!

Once again, St. Paul UCC and Trinity UCC will be walking in the Ainad Shriner's Parade on June 7. Please bring packs of wrapped candy (no chocolate) to St. Paul UCC before June 3. If you would like to walk in the parade with St. Paul and Trinity, contact the church office to let them know. Thanks!

Middle School and High School Youth

BOWLING *Party*

FUN

ST. PAUL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday, June 23 | Starts at 3:00pm-6:00pm |
@ Bel-Air Bowl, 200 South Belt W, Belleville

**Make Plans
to Attend**

JOIN US AT ST. PAUL UCC FOR YOGA GOLD WITH JULIA
EVERY MONDAY & THURSDAY @ 10:30 AM



JOIN
US

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ST PAUL UCC BELLEVILLE INCLUSION

Discussion Series

with

Rev. Michelle
Torigian



Rev. Tim
Powers-Reed

June 12

Disability,
Mental Health &
Neurodivergence

July 10

Family Structures
& Marital Status

August 14

LGBTQIA+
& Race

@Eckerts

951 S Green Mt Rd, Belleville, IL



6pm

MEMORIALS AND GIFTS

Thank you from St. Paul Church. We appreciate your generosity!
TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

IMO Marilee Black
Kent Black

IMO Josephine Gideon
Ellen Nefzger

For Your Prayers

Lori Coleman
Carol Hotz
Marilyn Dinkelman
Debbie McIntyre, daughter of Arline
Worms
Tim Ritter
Laura (Phillips) Howie
Alec Zaber
Hector Rivera
Betty Rieso
Larry Walton

Wayne Caughman
Tim Ritter Jr., son of Sandy & Tim
Ritter
Jerry Hough
Lou Ann Niemann
Cheryl Cooper
Debbie Price
Christopher Mitchell
Audrey Krummrich
Ralph Eckart, brother in-law of
Marlene Mueller

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

**Remember St. Paul UCC as you
prepare your will or trust!**

StPaulUCC.org

Contact the church to learn more:
618.233.3303

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

April-24	9am	356	+ Online	April-23	9am	442	+ Online
April-24	All Gifts:	\$76,873.53		April-23	All Gifts:	\$38,636.28	

REVENUE	2024 Final Budget	2024 Apr Actuals	YTD Actuals	% of Budget
130100 - Congregational Offerings	\$378,200.29	\$32,085.10	\$130,718.59	34.56%
130104 - Fund Raising Events*	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
130105 - Rental Income-205 W B St.	\$11,790.00	\$915.00	\$3,660.00	31.04%
130500 - Building Fund	\$19,000.00	\$740.00	\$3,238.00	17.04%
130741-BASSC Utilities	\$6,600.00	\$602.63	\$2,047.91	31.03%
1302xx - Outreach (Various Missions #)	\$0.00	\$320.00	\$2,295.00	N/A
131100 - Memorials	\$12,500.00	\$385.00	\$1,665.00	13.32%
131200 - Bequests	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	N/A
131300 - Building Income	\$4,200.00	\$1,928.00	\$4,976.00	118.48%
131400 - Pastoral Honorarium	\$1,200.00	\$425.00	\$425.00	35.42%
131499 - Pastoral Expense Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	N/A
131500 - Investment Income /Michelson Income	\$28,400.00	\$0.00	\$14,200.00	50.00%
131600 - Stifel Investment-Donation fro Pastoral Minister	\$24,700.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	30.36%
131600 - Distribution from Endowment (Per Guidelines)	\$135,000.00	\$34,000.00	\$34,000.00	25.19%
131650 - Distribution from Endowment (Cap. Exp.)	\$22,000.00	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00	25.00%
131900 - Other Income	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$13.23	26.46%
Total Operating Revenues	\$646,640.29	\$84,400.73	\$210,238.73	32.51%
Team Revenues	\$3,900.00	\$503.90	\$1,737.45	
Capital Expenses				
Grand Total	\$650,540.29	\$84,904.63	\$211,976.18	32.58%
EXPENSES				
Personnel Expenses	(\$381,018.00)	(\$31,840.69)	(\$118,925.58)	31.21%
Administrative Support (formerly Operating Expenses)	(\$41,607.33)	(\$1,690.44)	(\$11,627.72)	27.95%
Outreach (formerly Mission board)	(\$13,500.00)	(\$68.00)	(\$1,957.25)	14.50%
Education	(\$2,500.00)	\$0.00	(\$306.94)	12.28%
Stewardship	(\$1,480.00)	\$0.00	(\$719.71)	48.63%
Property	(\$196,184.96)	(\$12,495.88)	(\$63,610.38)	32.42%
Congregational Care (formerly Worship Board)	(\$14,250.00)	(\$445.94)	(\$2,404.37)	16.87%
General Fund	-	-	\$0.00	N/A
Total Operating Expense	(\$650,540.29)	(\$46,540.95)	(\$199,551.95)	30.67%
Difference between Revenue & Expenses	\$0.00	\$38,363.68	\$12,424.23	

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MAIL DATE: May 31, 2024

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Return Service Requested

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Weekly events

Sundays 9am Worship
10am Coffee & Doughnuts
Culinaire's' Breakfast 3rd Sunday of the month
(On summer break—will resume in the fall.)



Like us on Facebook
St Paul UCC, Belleville, Il



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

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

EVERYONE

is welcome here



Senior Pickle Ball

Mondays & Wednesdays

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

Beginners Wednesdays @

11:30

St Paul UCC ACTIVITY CENTER

For information call

St. Clair County Office on Aging:



St. Clair County Office on Aging



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Material for inclusion may be sent to the church noted for **Our St. Paul**.

NEXT ISSUE

July

DEADLINE

June 21

MAIL DATE

July 1