



Our St. Paul November 2024

## YOUR St. Paul Team

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## **Church office hours:**

Monday - Thursday

8:30am-4pm

Friday

9am-12pm

## **Church Office Contact**

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618-233-3303

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IN HONOR/MEMORY OF YOUR LOVED ONES

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COST IS | \$12.00

EACH 6.5" POT COVERED WITH FOIL WILL HAVE  
10 OR MORE BLOOMS. ORDER BY 12/1/24

YOU MAY MAIL OR DROP OFF YOUR ORDER  
TO THE OFFICE.

**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**.

**NEXT ISSUE**

December

**DEADLINE**

November 19th

**MAIL DATE**

Nov 27th

## Pastor's Message

### Our Energy

Often when I see a child from the ages of two to five running around, I am envious of their energy. They are expelling energy as they move about the room and laugh joyously. *Oh, if only I could have a quarter of their energy*, I think to myself or say out loud to the person next to me.

As you know, our energy changes as we age. It's not a cascading waterfall of vigor like in years past. It's now a sacred pool of power into which we scoop our jars as we need, focusing our energy on what is most important in our lives. Years earlier, we may have gone here and there each and every weekend and still having enough energy to go to church on Sundays and have enough rest for the workweek. But as we age, our energy becomes more and more sacred to us, and we must budget it to last long enough for the activities we value most.

I like to think of stewardship in much the same way. We are using our energy to serve God and our neighbors. Throughout our lives, we have various amounts of time, talents, and treasures. When we are young we may have copious amounts of time, but our treasures may be limited. Our talents grow throughout our lives, but our health impacts our bodies, we are not able to use our talents or time in the same way.

As active, covenantal members of a congregation, each person has something they can offer a church. Through a certain skill, you may be using your talents to promote the church or create a new ministry. Through your time, you may be able to greet people as they enter on Sunday mornings. Through sharing your treasures, your financial gifts of various sorts will continue to promote our core values: **We believe all people matter to God and are welcome here; We strive to be servants in service to others; We need Christian Education for good faith and life.**

Throughout November, we will be reflecting on what stewardship means to each of us. How is it that we can best use what we have to ensure we are loving God and loving our neighbors as ourselves as we head into 2025? Is there a possibility that we can increase attending worship one more Sunday per month or increase our contribution the equivalent of one latte per month? How can we be bold and try a new project or team at St. Paul in this next year? How can we make one additional phone call or write one additional card to a congregant letting them know we are thinking about them? Could we share information about the church with one more person? And how can we share an extra hour or two per month helping out a community organization?

Stewardship is not only about financial resources but also using any of our resources to share the love of God in the church and our world. How will you use your resources of any size and shape to build the ministries of St. Paul and beam God's love and light in our world?

I am grateful for all of your gifts and energy you share with St. Paul UCC and our congregants!

Blessings,  
Pastor Michelle



# Culinaires' Breakfast


**Sunday  
December 15!**

**IN HERITAGE HALL  
FOLLOWING SUNDAY  
SERVICE!**



## Hanging of the Greens

**Sunday, December 1st  
3-5 p.m.  
In the  
Sanctuary**



**TOTENFEST  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3**



### **ST. PAUL UCC MISSION BOARD IS ACCEPTING MONETARY DONATIONS FOR FRANKLIN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

Money collected will be given to Franklin Neighborhood Association to purchase holiday food baskets for those in need! Please consider donating and help others have a blessed holiday. Please send in your donations to St. Paul UCC by December 8th. Please make checks payable to their full name of Franklin Neighborhood Association.

# MATS FOR COMMUNITY COMFORT

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





*Save the Date!*

ST. PAUL UCC

# TRIVIA NIGHT



**SAT. NOV 16**  
**7PM**  
DOORS OPEN AT 6PM

WITH HOST  
MICHAEL WAGNER!

115 WEST B STREET.  
BELLEVILLE

**TABLE OF 8 FOR \$160 \*OR\* \$20 PER PERSON**

## TRIVIA NIGHT SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES

### Varsity Level \$1,000

TABLE OF 8, 10 MULLIGANS, 2 BOTTLES OF WINE & BEER 6 PACK, SURVIVOR BALLOON  
NAME ON ALL SOCIAL MEDIA, PRINT PR & PROGRAM & RECOGNITION BY MC

### JUNIOR VARSITY \$750

TABLE OF 8, 10 MULLIGANS, BEER 6 PACK, SURVIVOR BALLOON  
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### COACH \$500

TABLE OF 8, 10 MULLIGANS, SURVIVOR BALLOON  
NAME ON ALL SOCIAL MEDIA, PRINT PR & PROGRAM & RECOGNITION BY MC

### CHEERLEADER \$250

TABLE OF 8, SURVIVOR BALLOON  
NAME ON ALL SOCIAL MEDIA, PRINT PR & PROGRAM & RECOGNITION BY MC

### ROUND SPONSOR \$100

NAME IN PROGRAM & ON ROUND ANSWER SHEET & RECOGNITION BY MC

### RAFFLE BASKET

NAME IN PROGRAM

## REGISTER NOW!

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
COMPANY/TEAM NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE \_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
LEVEL OF SPONSORSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

ALSO FOR PURCHASE THAT  
EVENING...  
MULLIGANS -- \$10  
RAFFLES, 50/50, HEADS OR  
TAILS CONTESTS

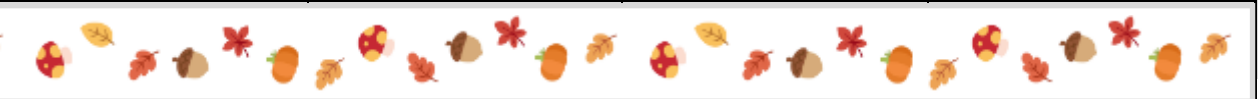
PLEASE RETURN, WITH YOUR CHECK, TO THE ST. PAUL OFFICE BY MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11. THANK YOU!!

# N O V E M B E R



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
National Hospice & Palliative Care Month Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month National Alzheimer's Disease Month	National COPD Awareness Month Lung Cancer Awareness Month Gluten-Free Diet Awareness Month	
<b>3 TOTENFEST</b> <b>9am-Worship</b> 10am-Coffee & Doughnuts <b>3pm-Fine Arts Concert</b> <b>Danielle Long</b> <b>DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS</b>	<b>4</b> 9am-Pickle Ball 10:30am-Yoga Gold <b>1:30-Stewardship Meeting</b>  National Candy Day	<b>5 ELECTION DAY!</b> 9am-Quilters 10am-Seekers Bible Study  National Donut Day
<b>10</b> <b>9am-Worship</b> 10am-Coffee & Doughnuts <b>10am-Mission Meeting-Library</b>  US Marine Corps Birthday	<b>11 Veteran's Day</b> <b>Office Closed</b>  National Sundae Day	<b>12</b> 9am-Quilters 10am-Seekers Bible Study 1pm-Mats for Community 5pm-Community Dinner 5:30pm-Finance Mtg. 7pm-St. Paul Progress Mtg.
<b>17</b> <b>9am-Worship</b> 10am-Coffee & Doughnuts 10am-Fine Arts Meeting 	<b>18</b> 9am-Pickle Ball 10:30am-Yoga Gold  Mickey Mouse Birthday	<b>19</b> 9am-Quilters 9am-Pickleball-slow pace 10am-Seekers Bible Study 5pm-Community Dinner  National Play Monopoly Day
<b>24</b> <b>9am-Worship</b> 10am-Coffee & Doughnuts <b>3pm Fine Arts Concert</b> 	<b>25</b> 9am-Pickle Ball 10:30am-Yoga Gold  National Parfait Day	<b>26</b> 9am-Quilters 9am-Pickleball-slow pace 10am-Seekers Bible Study 5pm-Community Dinner  National Cake Day

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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		<p>1</p> <p>National Family Literacy Day National Authors Day</p>	<p>2</p> <p>National Deviled Egg Day</p>
<p>6 9am-Pickle Ball 1pm-With You 6pm-Bells 7:15pm-Choir</p> <p>National Stress Awareness Day</p>	<p>7 10am-Worship Meeting 10:30am-Yoga Gold</p> <p>Animal Shelter Appreciation Week</p>	<p>8 9:00am-Pickle Ball</p> <p>National Cappuccino Day</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>13 9am-Pickle Ball 11:30 am-Beginner Pickleball 6pm-Bells 7:15pm-Choir</p> <p>World Kindness Day</p>	<p>14 10:30am-Yoga Gold <b>7pm-Personnel Meeting</b></p> <p>National Pickle Day</p>	<p>15 NO Pickle Ball</p> <p>National Philanthropy Day</p>	<p>16 <b>St. Paul Trivia Night</b></p> <p>7pm</p>
<p>20 9am-Pickle Ball 11:30 am-Beginner Pickleball <b>1pm-Women's Guild</b> 6pm-Bells 7:15pm-Choir</p>	<p>21 10:30am-Yoga Gold <b>6pm-Council Meeting</b></p> <p>National Gingerbread Cookie Day</p>	<p>22 9:00am-Pickle Ball</p>	<p>23</p> <p>National Adoption Day</p>
<p>27 9am-Pickle Ball 11:30 am-Beginner Pickleball 6pm-Bells 7:15pm-Choir</p>	<p>28 <b>Happy Thanksgiving!</b></p>	<p>29 <b>Office Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday</b></p> <p>National Native American Heritage Day</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Small Business Saturday</p>

## For Your Prayers

Lori Coleman  
Carol Hotz  
Marilyn Dinkelman  
Debbie McIntyre, daughter of Arline  
Worms  
Tim Ritter  
Laura (Phillips) Howie  
Betty Rieso  
Larry Walton  
Wayne Caughman  
Tim Ritter Jr., son of Sandy & Tim Ritter  
Hector Rivera

Lou Ann Niemann  
Cheryl Cooper  
Debbie Price  
Christopher Mitchell  
Audrey Krummrich  
Ralph Eckart, brother in-law of Marlene  
Mueller  
James Whitmarsh, nephew of Jan Friedrich  
Mike Llamas, brother in law of Mimi  
Llamas  
Jeff Lutz, brother in law of Debbie Lippert  
Karen Keuss



### PRAYER REQUESTS

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

A festive graphic for a 'Star Tree' campaign. The background is dark green with white snowflakes. At the top, there are strings of colorful Christmas lights (red, yellow, green, orange) and a yellow star. The text 'Star Tree' is written in a large, white, cursive font. Below it, the text reads: 'The Star Tree is coming soon! Every year we receive a list of families at Franklin School who need help to make their children have a merry and bright Christmas. Please consider taking a star(s) to help! MORE DETAILS TO COME!'. On the right side, there is a stylized Christmas tree with yellow and red garlands and a yellow star on top. At the bottom, there are several wrapped gifts in various colors (red, green, yellow, white) with different patterns and bows. A single white star is also visible on the left side.



# Anniversaries & Birthdays

## November Wedding Anniversaries

11/4-Lynn & Lucy Bradley  
11/28-Sue & Paul Sutherland

## November Birthdays

11/2-Janice Martin	11/13-Kent Black
11/3-Ruth Klingel	11/16-Maryann Gain
11/3-Billie McLemore	11/18-James Thomas
11/3-Al Stahl	11/19-Dorothy Maiworm
11/3-Ian Hipkins	11/22-Betty Leppard
11/6-Stephen Skelton	11/25-Jeanine Guthrie
11/7-Ellen Bohnemeier	11/26-Nathan Smith
11/7-William Mentzer	11/26-Russell Hoffmann
11/7-Synthia Kalinowski	11/27-Jerry Messick
11/7-Tristan Frampton	11/28-Sandra Kramer
11/10-Bette Rotert	11/29-Joyce Maurer
11/12-Amy Drake	11/29-Al Bettis
11/12-Ricky Morton	11/30-Al Scharf
11/12-Sonja Myland	11/30-Diana Trickey



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.



# 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 Ruth Grandcolas**

Mary Bartlow

## **IMO Bernie Limper**

Terry & Syndy Kalinowski

Al & Nancy Scharf, FA

Susan Inboden

Sandy & RustyWagner

Jeff & Julie Giesegh

Marianne Baltz

Don & Connie Stein

Steve & Janet Jenkins

Josh & Roselene

Danny Nollman

Bobbie & John Peduzzi

Lynn & Luci Bradley

Ruth Klingel

Diane Drake

Jane Bonaldi

Carolyn Hazelip

Doug & Ruth Bush

Andrew & Denise Limper

Roger & Diane Click

Debra Thulean

Lynn Koehler

Pearl Spies

Michael & Judith Quirk

Mona Scheibel

## **IMO Sandra Karstens**

Donna Davis

Debbie Lippert

Sandy & RustyWagner

Kristine & Lynwood Mueller

Ruth Klingel

Jane Bonaldi

Donna Bonaldi

Ron & Tiffany Bonaldi & family

## **IMO Cheryl Stranger**

Donna Davis

Sandy & Tim Ritter

## **IMO Wilma Weisenstein**

Janet Spencer

Brett & Elise White

Kristine & Lynwood Mueller

Brad Weisenstein & Beth Manville

Pam Walton

## **IMO Janet Heil**

Brett & Elise White

Donna Davis

Kristine & Lynwood Mueller

Pam Walton

## **IMO Gene Boyd**

Bruce & Pamela Elser, Comm. Dinner

## **IMO Brian Relfe (Roger's brother)**

Pam Walton

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

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Contact the church to learn more:  
618.233.3303



<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>2024 Final Budget</b>	<b>2024 Sept Actuals</b>	<b>YTD Actuals</b>	<b>% of Budget</b>
130100 - Congregational Offerings	\$378,200.29	\$24,123.00	\$255,108.01	67.45%
130104 - Fund Raising Events*	\$3,000.00	\$500.00	\$1,860.00	62.00%
130105 - Rental Income-205 W B St.	\$11,790.00	\$0.00	\$8,175.00	69.34%
130500 - Building Fund	\$19,000.00	\$870.00	\$7,641.00	40.22%
130741-BASSC Utilities	\$6,600.00	\$0.00	\$3,638.29	55.13%
1302xx - Outreach (Various Missions #)	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$4,324.00	N/A
131100 - Memorials	\$12,500.00	\$650.00	\$3,865.00	30.92%
131200 - Bequests	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	N/A
131300 - Building Income	\$4,200.00	\$178.00	\$7,853.00	186.98%
131400 - Pastoral Honorarium	\$1,200.00	\$100.00	\$960.00	80.00%
131499 - Pastoral Expense Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	N/A
131500 - Investment Income /Michelson Income	\$28,400.00	\$14,200.00	\$28,400.00	100.00%
131600 - Stifel Investment-Donation fro Pastoral Minister	\$24,700.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	60.73%
131600 - Distribution from Endowment (Per Guidelines)	\$135,000.00	\$0.00	\$78,500.00	58.15%
131650 - Distribution from Endowment (Cap. Exp.)	\$22,000.00	\$0.00	\$11,000.00	50.00%
131900 - Other Income	\$50.00	\$20.00	\$728.69	1457.38%
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>\$646,640.29</b>	<b>\$40,891.00</b>	<b>\$427,052.99</b>	<b>66.04%</b>
Team Revenues	\$3,900.00	\$375.90	\$4,142.88	
Capital Expenses				
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$650,540.29</b>	<b>\$41,266.90</b>	<b>\$431,195.87</b>	<b>66.28%</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Personnel Expenses	(\$381,018.00)	(\$23,088.06)	(\$253,625.81)	66.57%
Administrative Support (formerly Operating Expenses)	(\$41,607.33)	(\$2,666.52)	(\$29,792.60)	71.60%
Outreach (formerly Mission board)	(\$13,500.00)	\$0.00	(\$4,631.00)	34.30%
Education	(\$2,500.00)	\$0.00	(\$1,312.34)	52.49%
Stewardship	(\$1,480.00)	(\$139.87)	(\$802.73)	54.24%
Property	(\$196,184.96)	(\$16,863.91)	(\$158,159.24)	80.62%
Congregational Care (formerly Worship Board)	(\$14,250.00)	\$0.00	(\$7,903.13)	55.46%
General Fund	-	-	\$0.00	N/A
<b>Total Operating Expense</b>	<b>(\$650,540.29)</b>	<b>(\$42,758.36)</b>	<b>(\$456,226.85)</b>	<b>70.13%</b>
Difference between Revenue & Expenses	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>(\$1,491.46)</b>	<b>(\$25,030.98)</b>	

### **ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS**

Sep-24 9am 332 + Online

Sep-23 9am 366 + Online

Sep-24 All Gifts: \$26,407.09

Sep-23 All Gifts: \$82,504.59

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MAIL DATE: October 31, 2024

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***Please join us!***



**In person on Sundays!**

**Worship Service**

**@ 9am**

**Coffee & Doughnuts**

**@ 10am**

**or**

**Join us live on Facebook**

**St. Paul United**

**Church of Christ**

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For videos of services, sermons,  
archives, events and much more!!

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**Event Rental Space Available!**

*No matter who you are or where  
you are on life's journey,  
you are welcome here!*