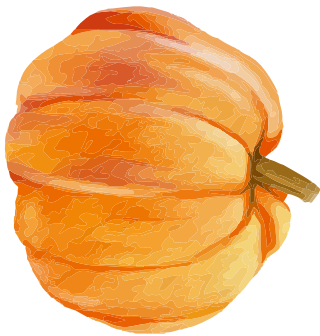


St. Paul United Church of Christ



115 W. B. St., Belleville, IL 62220

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Sundays - 9am
Join us in-person
or live on
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Your St. Paul Staff

Rev. Joan H. Mier, Supply Pastor
 Dr. Tristan Frampton, Director of Music
 Cynthia Johnson, Organist
 Sherry Wilhelm, Office Manager
 Kathy Buehler, Bookkeeper
 Ken Dahm, Facility Manager
 Evan Wilhelm, Support Staff

ST. PAUL UCC OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday
 8:30am-4pm

Friday
 9am-12pm

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OCTOBER Worship Leaders

October 4 - Rev. Joan H. Mier

October 11 - Rev. Joan H. Mier

October 18 - Craig Bielke

October 25 - Rev. Jeremy Lopez



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 swilhelm@stpaulucc.org or call the office.

Next issue: November - Deadline to submit information: October 21st.

REVENUE	2026 Final Budget	2026 Aug Actuals	YTD Actuals	% of Budget
130100 - Congregational Offerings	\$352,648.00	\$20,086.00	\$252,914.67	71.72%
130104 - Fund Raising Events*	\$4,000.00	\$40.00	\$947.00	23.68%
130105 - Rental Income-205 W B St.	\$15,120.00	\$0.00	\$8,920.00	58.99%
130500 - Building Fund	\$10,000.00	\$80.00	\$1,785.00	17.85%
130741-BASSC Utilities	\$6,900.00	\$0.00	\$3,585.93	51.97%
1302xx - Outreach (Various Missions #)	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$4,377.00	N/A
130323 - Bank/Paypal Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$34.11	#DIV/0!
131100 - Memorials	\$8,000.00	\$50.00	\$3,010.00	37.63%
131200 - Bequests	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	N/A
131300 - Building Income	\$6,000.00	\$183.00	\$2,568.00	42.80%
131400 - Pastoral Honorarium	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	#DIV/0!
131499 - Pastoral Expense Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	N/A
131500 - Investment Income /Michelson Income	\$28,400.00	\$0.00	\$14,910.00	52.50%
131600 - Distribution from Endowment (Per Guidelines)	\$171,710.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
131650 - Distribution from Endowment (Cap. Exp.)	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
131900 - Other Income	\$0.00	\$35.00	\$15,011.74	#DIV/0!
Total Operating Revenues	\$612,778.00	\$20,774.00	\$308,063.45	50.27%
Team Revenues	\$4,677.27	\$311.00	\$2,809.18	60.06%
Capital Expenses				
Grand Total	\$617,455.27	\$21,085.00	\$310,872.63	50.35%
EXPENSES				
Personnel Expenses	(\$357,080.60)	(\$18,302.55)	(\$139,466.81)	39.06%
Administrative Support (formerly Operating Expenses)	(\$36,643.47)	(\$4,282.19)	(\$26,117.98)	71.28%
Outreach (formerly Mission board)	(\$9,500.00)	\$0.00	(\$3,322.22)	34.97%
Education	(\$1,500.00)	\$0.00	(\$181.39)	12.09%
Stewardship	(\$1,200.00)	\$0.00	(\$671.70)	55.98%
Property	(\$193,631.20)	(\$43,628.26)	(\$157,148.27)	81.16%
Board)	(\$15,900.00)	(\$395.83)	(\$5,477.16)	34.45%
General Fund	(2,000.00)	-	\$0.00	N/A
Total Operating Expense	(\$617,455.27)	(\$66,608.83)	(\$332,385.53)	53.83%
Difference between Revenue & Expenses	\$0.00	(\$45,523.83)	(\$21,512.90)	

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

Aug-26 9am	391 + Online	Aug-25 9am	431 + Online
Aug-26 All Gifts:	\$27,937.28	Aug-25 All Gifts:	\$21,832.16



For Your Prayers



May God watch over these church members and Friends, bringing them peace, comfort, strength, and healing wherever it's needed. May they feel His presence in their hearts, be uplifted in spirit, and surrounded by love and support.

Carol Hotz & Fred Hotz
The Ritter Family, Tim, Sandy & Tim Jr.
Lou Ann Niemann
Al Stahl
Laura Sadler
Alec Zaber
Jane Bonaldi
Paul Sutherland
Our Pastor Search Committee
Cathy Blaies and Family (Mike's sister)
Sylvia, sister of Luci Bradley

Rich Wilburn and his family,
son-in-law of Stephenie Bauza
Stephen Agnew, son of
Carolyn Hazelip
Gay Eckert
Larry Walton
Jane Peters, sister of Jerry Pierce
Bette Ettling
The Gentry Family
Wes Krummrich
Dorothy Maiworm
Daniel Holtzclaw, friend of the Birkners

Please call the office for prayer requests. 618-233-3303

MEMORIALS & GIFTS

**ST. PAUL CHURCH GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGES
YOUR GENEROSITY.
TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF:**

IMO of Marilee Black
by Kent Black

IMO of Gus & Sue Kuether
by Scott Kuether



**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 or email the church office. 618-233-3303 ~ swilhelm@stpaulucc.org
Cost is \$35.00.**

Greetings St. Paul,

Fall is here! The month of October begins with World Communion Sunday on October 4th. The day reminds us that we are part of a much larger community—the church worldwide. Our covenant with Christ makes us sisters and brothers with Christians around the world who look, speak, and worship differently than we do. What binds us together is the bond of love. The greatest commandment is to love God and neighbor—both near and far.

Let's think about that for a moment. Who is our neighbor? How many folks in Belleville do not even know of our existence? How do we want to be known? What is God calling us to do and be?

In this season of colorful change and continued discernment of how we will move into the future calls us to consider how each one of us plays a part in bringing about the kingdom of God on earth (starting with our own little part of it), as it is in heaven.

In a world that is more and more impersonable, we have a real opportunity to strengthen human relationships and bonds with each other and those who desperately need to know not only of God's love but are in great need of a loving community that is with them in all of the seasons of life. Let's be the very best version of ourselves so that others might know the love and support we have found in this faith community. There are numerous opportunities to worship, serve, and invite. Take advantage of them.

We will end this month, remembering that great cloud of witnesses who have gone before us. What better way to honor them than to continue the work and witness they began. Let it be so!

Peace.





BIG PAPA G'S MUSIC TRIVIA @ ST. PAUL UCC

FRIDAY, OCT. 23RD @ 6:30 PM
DOORS OPEN @ 6 PM



TICKETS: \$25.00 IN ADVANCE (\$30 AT THE DOOR)
TABLE OF 8 - \$200 IN ADVANCE
[HTTPS://WWW.PAYPAL.COM/NCP/PAYMENT/W6G4LZDDG4H4U](https://www.paypal.com/NCP/PAYMENT/W6G4LZDDG4H4U)

- ROUND SPONSORS NEEDED - \$100!
- AUCTION BASKET RAFFLE VOLUNTEERS & BASKETS NEEDED!



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FREE!

MONDAY FUN-DAY!

4th Monday of every month!

BRING YOUR
FRIENDS!

Chair Yoga 6-6:30pm ~ Yoga 6:30-7pm ~ Pickleball 6-8pm

St. Paul UCC - 115 W. B. Street, Belleville (Enter on 2nd St. at the Activity Center door! 618-233-3303

A free will offering is happily accepted.

FINE ARTS

Sunday

October 25, 2026

GERMAN CONCERT

SAVE THE DATE!

November 1st (during coffee hour)

Make a Difference in Your Community

**Help us assemble disaster relief packs for
women affected by emergencies and
natural disasters. Together, we can
provide comfort, care, and hope.**

UPDATES FROM THE SEPTEMBER COUNCIL MEETING

OLD BUSINESS:

- THE COUNCIL REACHED AGREEMENT ON HOW TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF COUNCIL MEMBERS. THE COUNCIL CHANGES HAVE BEEN REFLECTED IN A DRAFT COPY OF THE BYLAWS. THE PRESIDENT AND BYLAWS TEAM CHAIR WOULD LIKE TO REVIEW THE PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGES WITH THE CONGREGATION IN 2 OR 3 SESSIONS PRIOR TO THE DECEMBER CONGREGATIONAL MEETING. THE DATES FOR THE REVIEW SESSIONS WILL BE PUBLISHED LATER.

NEW BUSINESS:

- THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE WILL HOLD THEIR FIRST MEETING IN EARLY OCTOBER.

ST. PAUL FRIENDS

HALLOWEEN PARTY

OCTOBER 30 - 6:30 PM

AT THE HOME OF
ROGER AND JULIE HARRIS
2325 SLAMMER DR, BELLEVILLE

BRING AN APPETIZER OR DESSERT
PLUS YOUR OWN BEVERAGES
COSTUMES ARE OPTIONAL



Community Event!

Electronics Recycling Day!

St. Paul UCC - Belleville
November 14 - 9am-12pm



- MICROWAVES, WASHERS, DRYERS, HUMIDIFIERS, FRIDGES, FREEZERS, TOASTERS, COFFEE MACHINES, POTS AND PANS, SILVERWARE, LAWN MOWERS, PUSH MOWERS, AC UNITS, LEAF BLOWERS, WEED EATERS,
- COMPUTERS, PRINTERS, SHREDDERS, SPEAKER SYSTEMS, STEREOs, CELL PHONES, HOUSE PHONES, OFFICE PHONES, CARD READERS, DOCKING STATIONS, PROJECTORS, BATTERY BACKUPS,
- WIRES, XMAS WIRE, CAR BATTERIES, HOUSEHOLD ITEM BATTERIES
- TV RECYCLING, FLAT LED TVs ARE NO CHARGE, TUBE TVs, PLASMAS, PROJECTOR DLP TVs ARE CHARGE ITEMS .45 CENTS PER POUND IN THE SHOP .50 CENTS PER POUND PICKED UP.
- COMPUTER RECYCLING WE DO PROVIDE HARD DRIVE DESTRUCTION CERTIFICATES WHEN ASKED ABOUT
- ALL HARD DRIVES ARE DESTROYED AS UNLOADED AT THE SHOP SO YOUR DATA IS DESTROYED AND CANNOT BE USED IN ANYWAY.

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If you're looking for something to read, check out the St. Paul Library. We have a large collection of books on many subjects, both nonfiction and fiction. We also have a small selection of audiobooks and DVDs, as well as many jigsaw puzzles. You can see a sample of the collection on the cart in the welcome center, or stop in to the library in the main hallway.

Check outs and returns are easy, and there are no late fees!



RUMMAGE SALE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Wednesday, Oct. 7 - 9am-3pm
Help empty bags & boxes of
donated items.

Thursday, Oct. 8 - 9am-3pm
Unpack & Display donated items.

Friday, Oct. 9 - 9am-3pm
Continue to accept
donations & sort.

Friday, Oct. 9 - 4 p.m. - 7pm
Welcome shoppers and
help them to cars.

Saturday, Oct. 10 - 9am-12pm
Welcome shoppers and
pass out sale bags.

Saturday, Oct. 10 - 12 pm-1pm
Box up the remaining
items for pick-up.

**DONATE BAKE SALE ITEMS
FOR FRIDAY & SATURDAY.**

**CONTACT SUSAN RELFE
IF YOU CAN HELP
SUSANRELFE@OUTLOOK.COM**

ST. PAUL UCC RUMMAGE SALE

**115 W. B Street
Belleville, IL
Activity Center (Gym)**
(Across from Franklin School)
INSIDE RAIN OR SHINE!

 **Bake Sale!**
Donations of
baked goods accepted!

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**

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SALE DATES
**Fri., Oct. 9th
4-7pm &
Sat., Oct. 10th
9am-12pm**

Donations will be accepted starting September 28th!
Drop off hours: Monday-Thursday. If you need help
unloading ***PLEASE CALL before you come!***
618-233-3303

Threads of Hope Quilters

**Every Tuesday ~ 9am-2pm!
@ St. Paul UCC!**

Join us for the enjoyment
of quilting.

for info: 618-233-3303
(Community Outreach Mission)



MATS FOR COMMUNITY COMFORT

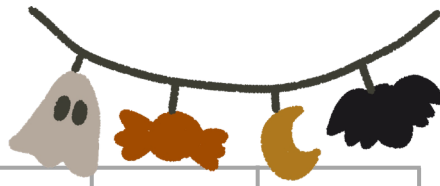
Please join us!

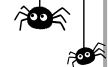
We could use your help to make mats from
plastic bags for people in need!

**3rd Tuesday of every month
from 1-3pm!**
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October



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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4 9am-Worship 10am-coffee	5 6pm Confirmation Class	6 9am-Quilters 10am-Seekers 5pm-Community Dinner	7 9am-3pm Rummage Sale setup 1pm-Wlth You 6pm-Bells 7:15-Choir	8 9am-3pm Rummage Sale setup 7pm- Personnel Mtg.	9 9am-3pm Rummage Sale setup 4-7pm Rummage Sale	10 9am - 12pm Rummage Sale
11 9am-Worship 10am-coffee 10am-Mission Mtg	12 Columbus Indigenous People Day St. Paul Closed 6pm Confirmation Class	13 9am-Quilters 10am-Seekers 5pm- Community Dinner	14 6pm-Bells 7:15-Choir	15 6pm-Council Mtg.	16	17
18 9am-Worship 10am-coffee	19 6pm Confirmation Class	20 9am-Quilters 10am-Seekers 1pm-Mats 5pm- Community Dinner	21 1pm-Women's Guilder 6pm-Bells 7:15-Choir	22	23 6pm Big Papa G's Music Trivia	24
25 9am-Worship 10am-coffee 10:15am Fine Arts Mtg	26 6pm Confirmation Class 6pm Monday Funday	27 9am-Quilters 10am-Seekers 5pm- Community Dinner 6:30 pm St. Paul Progress	28 6pm-Bells 7:15-Choir	29	30 6:30pm St. Paul Friends Halloween Party	31  HAPPY HALLOWEEN

happy Birthday

10/1-Leslie Dahm
10/4-Jean Chamberlin
10/4-Jack Wilson
10/6-Beverly Clark
10/8-Megan Dahm
10/8-Michael Speichinger
1011-Carol Price
10/13-Al Keuss
10/16-Carl Schneider
10/25-Stephenie Bauza
10/25-Scott Gentry
10/27-Gary Buckrod
10/29-Alec Zaber
10/29-Mary Blaies



HAPPY Anniversary

10/1-Dana Rosenzweig &
Beverly Brightwell
10/5-Mike & Mary Blaies
10/7-Ken & Leslie Dahm
10/8-Bill & Sharen Guthrie
10/12-Roger and Colleen Henke
10/21-Jim & Donnas Thomas
10/26-Rick & Diana Haar
10/27-Terry & Deborah Meyer
10/29-Andrew & Brittany Elser

OCTOBER

Coffee Hour Host Schedule:

October 4 – Zoey Davenport

October 11 – Donna Davis

October 18 –

October 25 – Mona Scheibel

Please consider being a coffee hour host !

It takes about 15–20 min to set up. Have coffee ready by 10:00 a.m. Last coffee call 11:00 a.m. Printed instructions & assistance are always available.

Contact the office or Donna D. to sign up!

St. Paul Women's Guild

Please join us at our next meeting to see what we're all about! All ladies are welcome!

We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month @ 1:00 pm!

We help support the community and other missions with proceeds from our Rummage and Bake Sales!



Treat yourself to an afternoon out with old friends & maybe make a new friend. We'd love to have you join us!

Refreshments ~ Fellowship ~ Fun

Seekers Bible Study



Tuesdays @ 10 am

St. Paul Library on the main floor

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