

Be joyful

ALWAYS,

pray

CONTINUALLY,

give thanks

IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES.

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Our St. Paul Nov 2017

St. Paul Church Staff

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Fridays: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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When you or a loved one is admitted to a hospital, please ask the hospitals to notify the church office. Also please telephone the Church Office regarding hospitalized members of the St. Paul faith family. The pastors will visit church members and their families each week. If you have a new addition to your family, please contact the church office so we can keep our records current.
Your communication is crucial to our ministry! We cannot help if we don't know.

Our Worship Service is broadcast LIVE on KSTL - 690 AM radio
& streamed on Jubilee690.com at 9am Sundays and repeated at 9pm

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Dec 2017	Nov 21	Nov 27

LOOK WHAT'S COMING FROM YOUR STEWARDSHIP BOARD!!!

Here at St. Paul, we celebrate stewardship throughout the year but our tradition also includes a special emphasis or focus on the fall. This year's theme is "Journey to Generosity", THE WAY OF JESUS!

Our Stewardship celebration will take place the first four Sundays in November.

Here's what you have to look forward to:

November 5 Journey to Generosity: The Way of Jesus *Matthew 9:35-10:23*

Faith Promise to God: Stewardship Expresses Love for All –

Love for God and Love for Neighbor – *join our Culinares for Breakfast*

November 12 Accept the Yoke of Jesus *Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30*

Faith Promise to the Church: We make a material difference to the church when we put our time, talent, money and other resources in the service of love of God and love of neighbor through the church.

November 19 We are Stewards of Forgiveness *Matthew 9:35-10:23*

Faith Promise to Yourself: The more we share, the more we represent our trust that God can work through the community as a whole to provide for all.

November 26 Stewardship is Loving God and Loving Neighbor *Matthew 22:34-46*

Looking towards the future here at St Paul.....Follow the Way of Jesus!



St. Paul Senior Community presents

TRIVIA NIGHT

\$80 per table
Max 8 people
per table

50/50!
Heads/Tails!
St. Louis Cardinals
Quilt Raffle

Saturday, November 4th
Doors open at 6:30 / Trivia Starts at 7pm
@ St Paul UCC ~ 115 West B Street, Belleville~Park & Enter on C Street
Contact Kris Mueller, Sandy Ritter, Mimi Llamas, or Sandy & Rusty Wagner or call 233-3303 - for reservations
MC for the night will be Chris Ritter!

Join us for a night of fun and friendly competition!

Congregation Meeting Notice

On September 19, 2017, the St. Paul Church Council gathered and discussed the following:

RECOMMENDATION FROM STEWARDSHIP & NOMINATING

Tuesday, September 19, 2017 Church Council Meeting

The Stewardship & Nominating Board of St. Paul U.C.C. recommends to the Council and Congregation to suspend Bylaw

ARTICLE VIII THE CHURCH COUNCIL , Section 1 D,
the first sentence which states, "Members shall be elected to serve a term on the Council not to exceed three years with no immediate re-election." The Bylaw suspension is limited only to this sentence and expires December 31, 2018.

Support information:

It is the belief of the Stewardship & Nominating Board that this is an important transitional time in the life of

St. Paul. We believe that consistency of leadership is imperative at this point.

There are three Council members who would be affected by this change: Judi Keplar, Mimi Llamas and Donna Nettleton. All of these members have been exemplary leaders and we feel that their expertise and continued membership of one additional year on the Council will only enhance the success of what St. Paul is trying to accomplish for our future.

This Recommendation has passed Council and will be voted on at Congregational Meeting.

**Congregational Meeting
on November 5, 2017
following 9am service
for special vote on
Recommendation from Stewardship and
Nominating.**

SPOOKTACULAR
SAT, OCT 28 10AM-12 NOON
ST PAUL UCC
115 WEST B STREET, BELLEVILLE
**JOIN US FOR TRUNK OR TREAT,
COSTUME PARADE, CANDY,
GAMES, CRAFTS
AND LUNCH!**

Trunks are needed for Trunk or Treat. Be creative, scary or punny. Have a Ball!

FUN!

For all ages

FREE



**NOW ACCEPTING DONATIONS OF
CANDY**

FOR OUR ANNUAL HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR



Please bring to church office or place in baskets

DONATIONS.....TIME...Your Pick!

Franklin Neighborhood Association needs you to support our children, our community!

Please consider donation of below items and/or your time.

DONATIONS

Franklin Neighborhood Assoc. is in need of the following back to school items to ensure each child is cozy and warm and ready to learn: Coats – boys and girls, grade school (K – 6th) sizes (8 – 14), new or gently used; any size will be accepted Winter hats, mittens, gloves Fleece Blankets – small

Items will be collected the month of October, outside the Sanctuary doors, we appreciate your support and kindness in helping others!

TIME

Franklin Neighborhood is searching for volunteers to work with youth sharing a special skill or hobby, exploring cultures, and tutoring (calling all retired teachers)!

If you are looking for an opportunity to give back, and enjoy children, please reach out for additional information. Volunteering to support the programs offered to the children of Franklin School may be the opportunity God is calling you for. For more info, contact the Church office or a member of the Mission Board and we will ensure you are connected to the Franklin Neighborhood Association leadership team to explore your options.

DONATIONS.....TIME...Your Pick!



Want to Sponsor a Confirmation Student or just donate to the Confirmation Program?

We are looking for people who will sponsor a confirmation student or donate to the confirmation program. This would cover their materials, books, transportation for trips, Bibles, and retreat costs. For sponsorship information please email Tyler Kohrs at tkohrs@stpaulucc.org or call at 618.233.3303 or if you would just like to donate you can mark that on the offering envelope and mark it "CONFIRMATION". We thank you so much for your gifts to this incredible opportunity we have to further our church.



It takes a big
heart
to help shape
little
minds.

Love Volunteering and Teaching Children About God?

Then this is an opportunity made just for YOU!

We are looking for volunteers to teach Children's Church during the 1st Service.

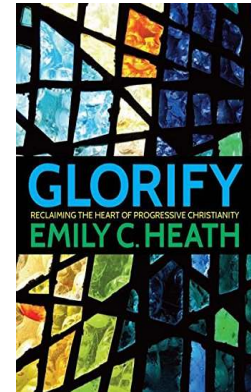
The lesson and all the materials will be provided, but you and another co-teacher will be asked to present it and interact with the children.

Background checks are required unless we already have your information on file in the office.

If interested please contact Tyler Kohrs. Email:

tkohrs@stpaulucc.org or call [618.233.3303](tel:618.233.3303).

ONLINE Adult Ed. Book Study!
Join in the discussion of
Glorify:
Reclaiming the Heart of
Progressive Christianity
by Emily C. Heath



UCC pastor and writer, Emily C. Heath, makes the case for reclaiming discipleship as a way to revitalize our witness as the 'mainline' in an engaging and accessible read.

This study will be an email exchange. One chapter (10 total) read and discuss via email with an in-person gathering at the end of the study.

If you would like to participate, send an email with your name to glorifystudy@gmail.com or sign up during the month of October at the church.

We'll be reading and discussing Chapter 1 beginning the week of Nov 5 with our group meeting finale in January.

This is the PERFECT way to fit adult ed. into a busy schedule or make room for another study without the face-to-face commitment.



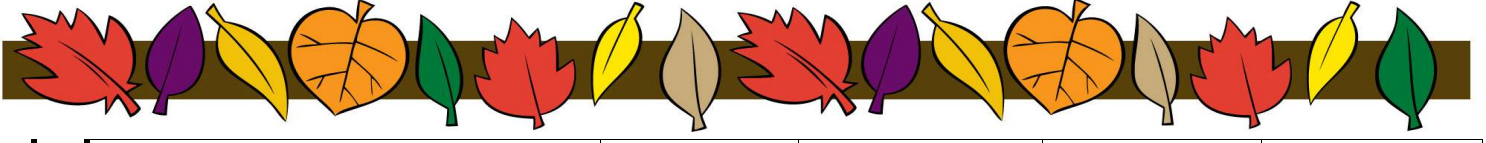
I should ...I might...
I will
attend a informative
meeting of the
WITH YOU
Caring Ministry after the Traditional
service on Oct 29. The meeting will be
in the library. We need to assist with
congregational visitation for special
temporary needs. Contact Luci Bradley
for further information at 277-4453.

**Peanut
Squares
are coming!!
Get yours on
Nov 12 &
19!!**

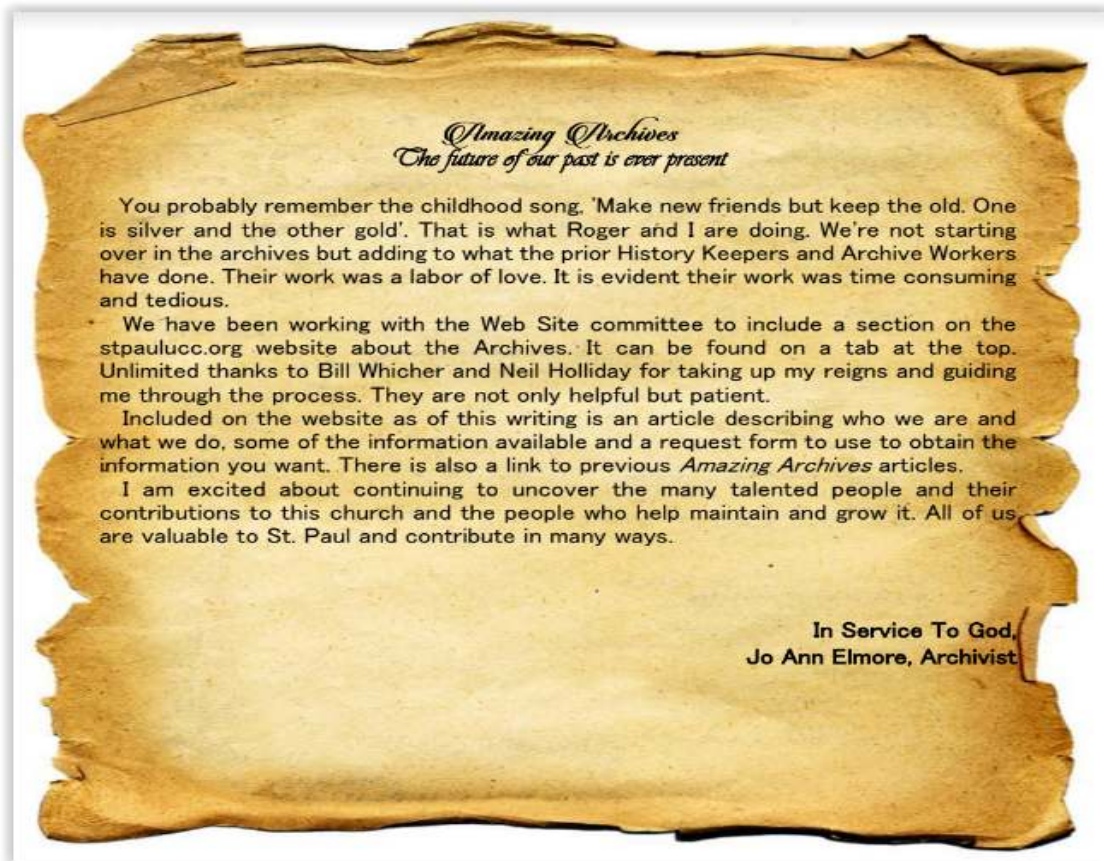


If you would like to help
assembly peanut squares,
contact your Mission Board friends!!

November



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 10:30 Staff Mtg 6pm Volleyball Band / Bells / Choir	2 4pm Masterworks 6pm Worship Bd Mtg 6:30 PFLAG Mtg	3	4 St Paul Home Trivia Night
5 CONGREGATIONAL MTG 9am Worship Service 11am Celebration Service 2pm Sheltered Reality	6 10am Exercise Class 4pm Peanut Square Prep- HH/ Kitchen	7 9am Quilters 10:30 Website Mtg 5pm Comm Dinner 6pm Cub Scouts- Grt Rm	8 9:30 Baby Class 10:30 Staff Meeting 5pm Finance Bd- Library 6pm Volleyball	9 4pm Masterworks 6pm Boards 6pm Ecuador Mtg- Gt Rm	10 9:30 S&N Mtg- Upper Rm	11 10am Centering Prayer
12 9am Worship Service 11am Celebration Service	13 10am Exercise Class 6pm Mission Bd 6pm Volleyball-AC	14 9am Quilters 10:30 Website Mtg 5pm Comm Dinner 6pm Cub Scouts-Gt Rm 7pm Shufflers-library	15 10am Genealogy Class 10:30 Staff Meeting 6pm Volleyball-AC Choir / Bells / Band	16 4pm Masterworks 6:30 Council	17	18 Private rental-AC
19 9am Worship Service 11am Celebration Service 2pm Sheltered Reality	20 OSP DEAD- LINE 10am Exercise Class 12pm Prayer Group 6pm Volleyball-AC	21 9am Quilters 10:30 Website Mtg 4pm Masterworks 5pm Community Dinner	22 9:30 Baby Class 10:30 Staff Meeting 6pm Volleyball-AC Choir / Bells / Band	23 Thanksgiving Church Closed	24 Church Closed	25 10am Centering Prayer
26 <i>Totenfest Sunday</i> <i>Hanging of the</i> <i>Greens</i> 9am Worship Service 11am Celebration Service	27 OSP ASSEM- BLY 10am Exercise Class 6pm Volleyball-AC 6pm OSP Assb-	28 9am Quilters 10:30 Website Mtg 5pm Community Dinner	29 10:30 Staff Meeting 6pm Volleyball-AC Choir / Bells / Band	30		



In the St. Paul Church Library . . .



Three Books of Thankfulness:

The Spirituality of Gratitude: the Unexpected Blessings of Thankfulness,
by Joshua Choonmin Kang

Fifty-two short reflective chapters on the theme of gratitude by a Korean-American pastor/author

Thank God: Stories of Gratitude, Harvest, and Home ,

As we experience the season of beautiful colors and cool nights, let us make this autumn season a time for developing hearts of gratitude.

To Bless the Space Between Us: a Book of Blessings by John O'Donohue

Drawing from Celtic spiritual traditions, this Irish author provides inspirational words for both the everyday and the extraordinary events of our lives.



Guide Book & Directory -

Advertising Opportunity

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for the Church. This book will be the Who, What, Where, When, Why and How of our Congregation. The book is being provided at no cost to our Church, including the mailing to each family, and again is being subsidized by local businesses that advertise in it. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, call the Church Office.

Update Membership Information

Here is your chance to update YOUR record for our annual Guide Book & Directory.

It is time for us to update our database with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in YOUR family over the past year.

If you have not already informed the Church Office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the Guide Book & Directory is correct. Thank you.

Help those in need with Thanksgiving Dinner!

Thanksgiving is fast approaching and the Mission Board would like to assist those less fortunate in the Franklin Neighborhood area. Monetary donations in any amount will enable us to provide Thanksgiving dinner for these families. Donations may be mailed to the St. Paul Church office or placed in the offering plate. Please clearly mark your donation as "Thanksgiving Donation".

Thank you.



OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE THE THANKSGIVING BOUNTY

We were offered the opportunity to share with the Lindenwood Community to make a variety of salads & desserts to feed 30 international students who will not go home for Thanksgiving. The meal will be served at the Weinstein Farm for Thanksgiving. We need the food delivered on Wednesday, November

22 by 9:30am at the church. You can make as little as a 5 serving recipe to donate. I just need to have enough to feed 30. Please put all sides in throw away containers so we do not have to worry about getting someone's dish back to them. They have some plastic bowls with lids at the Dollar store for salads & desserts can be made with foil pans. So a lot of you have a great recipe for the holiday, please share your bounty to make their Thanksgiving a warm, happy environment from St. Paul UCC. Please call Sandy Ritter at 222-1123 & put your order in. It is very much appreciated & a good way to be a part of the community.



St. Paul Church Council Notes for Oct 2017 Meeting

On October 19, 2017, the St. Paul Church Council gathered and discussed the following:

- Finance Board proposed procedural change on Sunday counters— passed.
- Finance Board proposed acceptance of recommended 2018 Budget - passed.
- Rev Robert Koepcke will be away on November 19th.

Music Notes:

Friends,

Chancel Choir: Your anthem last Sunday certainly gave warmth and energy to a cool and rainy morning, thank you for sharing God's love. Tonight we will end rehearsal with Women's Ensemble (come on board!)

Bill Guthrie and Laura Sadler have agreed to join Jim, Tom, and Stephenie (hope I didn't miss anyone) on Choir Advisory, and I'd like to meet next Wednesday the 25th for our first meeting after choir. These are the folks who serve as a sounding board for me and give me feedback, and I am appreciative and we all benefit.

Men's Ensemble, scheduled for November 5 (Steve, can you join us?)



Glory Ringers will be ringing on Reformation Sunday, Oct. 29, and Chancel Choir will sing a setting of *A Mighty Fortress* that was written for our Europe tour.

Important upcoming dates: Nov 12 - 10:30—3 Retreat at St Paul & Dec 17 FA Music Ministry Concert 2p call
Peace, Dan



GO GREEN With your weekly offering!

Did you know we can automatically debit your checking account for your weekly offering? This would enable the mission of St. Paul to continue even if you miss a Sunday offering and it simplifies our accounting. Go green and eliminate your envelopes! Interested? Contact Stephenie Bauza in the Church office.

St. Paul's Celebrations

<u>November Anniversaries</u>		10	Christopher O'Hara	21	Mary Bruett
			Cheryl Stanger		Phyllis Moehlenhof
4	Lynn & Luci Bradley	11	Brandon Englert	22	Tammy Clayton
6	Frank & Julie Voss		Nathan Guthrie		Jean Eckert
8	Corey & Christine Hudson	12	Amy Drake		Betty Leppard
14	Donald & Doris O'Connor		Ricky Morton	23	Cameron Martin
25	Bill & Cynthia Cummins		Laura Poirot		Barbara Schuchman
28	Laura & Karey Sadler	13	Ashley Bennett	24	Craig Steiner
	Paul & Susan Sutherland		Kent Black		Grace Wolf
			Dee Zopp	25	Robert Bruett
		14	Bree Aplin		Gloria Guthrie
		16	Victor Branson		Madison Havel
1	Krisisty Frazer		Mary Gain	26	Russel Hoffmann
2	<u>November Birthdays</u>		Kenneth Oesterie		Nathan Smith
	Nicholas Hanoran		William Rogers		Sydney Vokes
	Floyd Voyles		Penny Struebig	27	Jerry Messick
3	Ruth Klingel		Marcia Baum		Marshall Peterson
	Shirley Martin	17	Samuel Hillebrand		Lorna Wolf
	Billie McLemore		Natalie Seaman	28	Laura Freed
	Allan Stahl		Lachian Smith		Sandra Kramer
4	Aleen Renner	18	Sandra Karstens		Emma Trentman
	Eric Struebig		Lindsey Keller	29	Alvin Bettis
	Sherman Woy		James Thomas		Joyce Maurer
5	Kaylee Bennett	19	Dorothy Maiworm	30	Robert Harms
	Jane Warren		Aiden Martin		Allen Scharf
6	Andrew Garces		Grey Seaman		Diana Trickey
	Stephen Skelton		Renee Seaman		
7	Ellen Bohnemeier	20	Kristoph Gemmingen		
	Beth Jacob		Tina Lake-Hopper		
	Synthia Kalinowski		Annie Milton		
	William Mentzer		Austin Quandt		
8	Olivia Bergkoetter				
	Alice Schuessler				
9	Benjamin Shepard				



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 Ron Steen

(Radio)

Larry & Donna Stepp

IMO Marian Hoffmann

Janet Noble

(Christian Ed)

Mr. & Mrs. William James

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

Sept 2017

Attendance: 568

All Gifts: \$41,242.70

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

Sept 2016

Attendance: 726

All Gifts \$59,125.24



Hanging of the Greens

Join us this year in sharing the joy of the season~
come to the "Hanging of the Greens".

On November 26th, we will begin Advent
by decorating our church
for the holiday season together.

At the 11 am Celebration Service,
we will be "Hanging the greens" together.

Then at 4:00pm, come back to church
& help in the Sanctuary/Welcome Center areas.

Bring an appetizer and a drink.

Some food and drink will be provided.

After decorating, we could all go to dinner!

	<u>2017 Final Budget</u>	<u>2017 Sept Actuals</u>	<u>YTD Actuals</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Revenues				
Congregational Offerings	\$474,829.66	22,056.33	287,789.24	60.61%
MDO Tuition/Other Income	\$89,981.00	10,006.25	70,300.25	78.13%
MDO Fundraiser/Capital Campaign	\$1,000.00	338.00	1,165.00	116.50%
Special Stewardship Events	\$7,500.00	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Rental Income - 205 W B Street	\$9,600.00	800.00	7,200.00	75.00%
Various Missions	\$0.00	3,165.00	21,991.47	
Memorials	\$10,000.00	390.00	12,800.00	128.00%
Bequests	\$2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
Building Income	\$10,000.00	3,925.00	8,485.00	84.85%
Pastoral Honorarium	\$3,000.00	0.00	500.00	16.67%
Investment Income / Michelson Income	\$36,000.00	2,655.00	5,487.00	15.24%
Endowment Distribution (per guidelines)	\$69,744.25	0.00	35,000.00	50.18%
Endowment Distribution (Cap. Exp.)	\$12,300.00	0.00	12,300.00	100.00%
Other Income	\$2,000.00	20.41	(311.20)	-15-56%
Total Operating Revenues	\$727,954.91	43,355.99	462,706.76	63.56%
Expenses				
Personnel Board	(\$333,354.91)	(28,709.26)	(219,341.39)	65.80%
Administrative Support	(35,720.00)	(1,985.22)	(25,067.47)	70.18%
Mission Board	(47,600.00)	(255.77)	(18,591.32)	39.06%
Christian Education Board	(7,000.00)	(541.60)	(3574.31)	51.06%
Stewardship & Nominating Board	(2,760.00)	(103.71)	(1,322.67)	47.92%
Christian Growth Board	(450.00)	(0.00)	(53.93)	11.98%
Business & Property Board (includes Mortgage)	(181,990.00)	(8,147.97)	(128,659.03)	70.70%
Worship Board	(28,110.00)	533.59	396.79	-1.41%
MDO	(90,981.00)	(11,665.10)	(64,887.76)	71.32%
Total Operating Expense	(727,954.91)	(50,875.04)	(461,101.09)	63.34%
Difference between Revenue & Expenses		(7,519.05)	1,605.67	

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If you can't be with us in person,
join us by listening to
our worship service



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& streamed on Jubilee690.com



UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 28

Spooktacular !

Exercise Class

10am Mondays



Are you interested in your
Family History or in building
a Family Tree? *Join Us!*



The Genealogy
Group will meet
on Wed, Nov 15