

Happy Fathers Day



“No matter who you are,
No matter where you are
on life’s journey,
You are welcome here.”



Welcome to Worship

Welcome to St. Paul Church. We are glad you are here!

Have a blessed Father's Day

9:00 am Traditional Worship - *in the Sanctuary*

11:00am Celebration Service - *in the Sanctuary*

Information for our friends...

Weekly Sunday morning services ~

Our **9am Traditional Service** is inspired with hymns and has Children's Church. Bring your children to attend service, after our Children's time, go for a lesson & kids can be picked up in the Welcome Center after service.

Try our relaxed family-friendly **11am Celebration Service** in the Sanctuary.

The B Street Band is proud to share their contemporary Christian music and welcomes you to listen and sing along. *Please feel free to try one or both styles of worship.*

The Nursery is open during 9 am services, and is the first classroom in the hallway off the sanctuary. If the small person who is with you gets wiggly, there are toys & books to enjoy. Please feel free to visit whenever needed.

Hearing devices, large print bulletins, and large Bibles (in church library) are available, please see your ushers if you have any questions.

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

We want to know you!! Please sign the Pew Pad today. If you are new to St. Paul, want your information updated or with us every week- let us know you are here!! Please fill in your contact information and we will happily contact you as you wish.

When you or a loved one is admitted to a hospital, please ask the hospital to notify the church office. Also please notify the Church Office regarding hospitalized members of the St. Paul faith family. If you have a new addition to your family, if your address or phone changes, please contact the church office so we can keep our records current.

Your phone call is crucial to our ministry!

115 West "B" Street, Belleville (618) 233-3303

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St. Paul United Church of Christ

Father's Day / Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 17, 2018 9:00 am

OT = Old Testament NT = New Testament † Please stand if able

Announcements

Prelude *Largo-Allegro* G .F. Handel
Alan Alyas, violin

+Call to Worship

God interrupted Samuel with an unexpected call.

“Here I am, Lord. Send me!”

God surprised Jesse, choosing his youngest son, David, to be king.

“Here I am, Lord. Send me!”

We join with Christ and are a part of God's new creation.

O Mighty God, we come to join the harvest.

Gather us in, O Holy One, for we would be your people.

Amen.

+Prayer

+Hymn *Here I am, Lord* (please see slides)

+Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you call us to live in mystery, to walk by faith.

Yet we long for plans with goals and schedules.

It's hard to live by faith.

You call us to place our trust in you,
to live according to your direction.

Yet we want life to make sense from a human point of view.

It's hard to live by faith.

You call us to feel the mystery of life,
to marvel at the power of your love.

Yet it's not easy to accept your promise that everything old has passed away.

It's hard to live by faith.

Forgive us, holy maker of reality.

Forgive us for playing god instead of accepting our humanity.

+Words of Assurance

Solo *Vocalise* Sergei Rachmaninoff
Alan Alyas, violin

Passing of the Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us share a sign of the peace with one another.

Children’s Moment

Scripture

Mark 4:26-34

Sermon

Prayers of the People

Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen**

Receiving our Morning Gifts and Offerings

Offertory

Adagio

Vivaldi/trans. J.S. Bach

Doxology # 351

We Give Thee But Thine Own

Prayer of Dedication

Holy God,

Magnificent, sustaining farmer of the future, receive these gifts, we pray.

Through our offering, help us know in some surprising way that you are bringing into being something wonderful and new. Amen.

+Hymn #286

Faith of Our Fathers

+Commissioning+Charge+Benediction

Postlude

Glory to God, We Give You Thanks

J.Wayne Kerr

LEADING THIS TIME OF WORSHIP

Lay Reader.....Judy Saeger *Sound*.....Rick Haar
Radio.....Sherry Stepp *Control Room*...Tina LakeHopper
Ushering Team.....Al & Nancy Scharf, Wayne Caughman,
.....Paul & Sue Sutherland, Joyce Maurer
Welcome Center.....Scott Gentry, Sandy Ritter, Carol & Fred Hotz
Music Ministry.....Alan Alyas, violin
Traditional Music Director.....Dan Fry
Guest Pastor.....Craig Bielke



NEWS & NOTES

June 17, 2018

Special Guests at St. Paul



We are blessed to have special guests in our pulpit in coming weeks. Make sure to join us & welcome our guests!

June 17 & June 24 & July 1 9am Craig Bielke 11am Greg Seaman

WHO IS COMING TO WORSHIP?

**Pastor Michelle Torigian is coming to worship
on July 8, 2018 - 9:00am**

Who is this Pastor Michelle?

One way to begin to know her is to take a look at her Facebook page.

Have a peak--. www.facebook.com/michelleorigian

There you will find photos that show that she is: artistic, loves people, clever, active, a participant, facially expressive, a family person, literate, smiles regularly, fun-loving, a nature lover, photographically expressive, and proud of her Armenian ethnicity. You will also find that, although she has been away for a decade, Pastor Michelle still claims Belleville her "hometown."

Her music interests include: Tom Ruberg, Christopher Grundy, Rob Leveridge, Adele, Van Morrison, Billy Joel, Elton John and David Forest.

Are you ready for a fresh worship experience?

Be early. Be ready.



"BE PREPARED" The Boy Scout motto is "BE PREPARED."

Last Sunday Pastor Gus challenged us to be prepared for the arrival of our chosen new pastor and teacher. He suggested, at least, four specific things we can do to be prepared. They are:

PRAY--Pray for Pastor Michelle and for ourselves. Pray that God's gift of LOVE be so overwhelming that it is revealed through us to all the world as word and deed, as Good News and experiences of ministry.

RE-EVALUATE OUR GIFTS AND TALENTS--Scripture says that each of us has been given unique gifts and that they are intended for the common good. What new or renewed gifts are we going to offer for the common good.

RE-EXAMINE OUR CALENDARS--As busy as our calendar are, there are minutes and hours that could be put to better use, be employed in Christ's ministry through St. Paul. Where and when are we going to step up?

REVIEW OUR BUDGETS--Matthew wrote, "For where you treasure is, there will your heart be also." Do our personal financial statements reflect our faith priorities? The Biblical admonition to Tithe is still valid.

21 DAYS TO PREPARE

We have our Cast!

I hope you are as excited as we are! Save the date(s) for the big show!
Mark your calendar now! Aug 10, 11, & 12 !!

Cast List:

(* means multiple roles)

Annie: Jordyn Struense

Molly: Alaina Cleveland

Kate: Emma Woolsey

Tessie: Cady Keplar

Pepper: Jillian Ritter

July: Kiersten Rogers

Duffy: Evan Totsch

Orphans: Ava Austin, Alexcia Hardin*,
Juliana Kerico*, Peyton Long*,
Taylor Love, Ja'Nae Mitchell,
Jannah Rhodes, Jarod Rhodes,
Ryan Seaman, McKenna Spilker*,
Emily Stokes, Madeline Ticknor,
and Ella Weaver

Sandy (the dog): Nate Dodt

Miss Hannigan: Emily Bechtold

Grace Farrell: Grace Preciado

Oliver Warbucks: Isaac Williams

Rooster Hannigan: Jack Stokes

Lily St. Regis: Essence Ocean

Bert Healy: Landon Page*

Star to Be #1: Riley Zerjal*

Star to be #2: Jayden Touchette*

Bundles McCloskey: Braden Neighbors*

Apple Seller: Evan Bechtold*

Dogcatcher: Simon Bechtold*

Officer Ward: John McCleary*

Drake (English Butler): Bram Zacharski*

Cecille (French Maid): Abby Showmaker*

Annette (French Maid): Bobbi Kerico*

Mrs. Greer (Housekeeper): Carmen Baldrige*

Behind the Scenes:

Dawson Anderson

Kaitlyn Hart

Carson Hopper

Mia Kramer

Bronwen Zacharski



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Child #1: Evan Bechtold*

Child #2: Simon Bechtold*

Cop: John McCleary*

Announcer: Natalie Seaman*

Sound Effects Man: Cole Sanchez*

Pres F. D. Roosevelt: John McCleary*

Louis Howe: Braden Neighbors*

Man: Bram Zacharski*

Servants: Carmen Baldrige*,

Bobbi Kerico*, Braden Neighbors*,

Natalie Seaman*,

Abby Showmaker*, Makayla Todd*,

and Bram Zacharski*

New Yorkers: Carmen Baldrige*,

Evan Bechtold*, Simon Bechtold*,

Alexcia Hardin*, Bobbi Kerico*,

Juliana Kerico*, Peyton Long*,

John McCleary*, Braden

Neighbors*, Landon Page*,

Cole Sanchez*, Natalie Seaman*,

Abby Showmaker*, McKenna

Spilker*, Makayla Todd*, Jayden

Touchette*, Bram Zacharski*,

and Riley Zerjal*

FATHER'S DAY ROLL OF HONOR



In Honor of

SERGIO ALVAREZ, from Lynn and Luci Bradley.
GARY FRIEDRICH, from Lee-Alison, Daniel, Jack, Dani, and Milie.
SCOTT KEPLAR, from your God-sons, Carson & Dawson.
PAUL HOPPER, from Carson Hopper.
SCOTT WILSON, from Jack, Dani, and Milie.

In Memory of

REV. EDWIN C. BEIER, from Janet Heil and Gloria Strohm.
RAYMOND BRADLEY, from Lynn and Luci Bradley.
HENRY CAUGHMAN, from Wayne Caughman.
A. LLOYD CULLEY, from Jane Bonaldi.
SAMUEL KELLY, from Donna Kelly.
ELMER FRIEDRICH AND FREDERICK KOCH, from Gary & Janice Friedrich.
VERNON KURRUS, MY DAD, from Judy Koch.
KENNETH A. LAKE & E. CARL STEVENSON, from Tina LakeHopper.
OUR FATHERS, WILLIAM SAGE & RICH SUESS, from Steve & Barb Suess.
REV. WILLIAM SCHWEICKHART, from Luci and Lynn Bradley.
'BUD' ERDMANN AND VERNON WISSEHR, from Dick & Ruth Ann Erdmann.

**Thanks to the congregation, Pastor Herb,
and especially "With You".**

Some of you may and some may not know that I spent the last 9 days of May in Memorial Hospital. Being in the hospital is not a thing that anyone looks forward to and I was no exception. But the stay was related to problems derived from my aggressive Prostate Cancer.

There are events that help to make the stay tolerable. One is visit by family and Helen our son Bill were regular visitors and I looked forward to each visit as the visit brought me a little bit of healing. Frequently when I was feeling down I would ask Helen to come; that always helped. Another visit that really helped are those by Rev. Herb Schafale. He does a great job of connecting you with St. Paul.

My gratitude to those who sent me cards. When I received a card, I knew that those individuals were thinking of me.

There was another visit that was equally as important as the family visit and it was visits by members of *With You*. We, in this congregation, are all part of the wider church of Jesus Christ. The church is about people and relationship and caring. Why belong to a church that doesn't care about you – that would not be a Christian church. I knew from the *With You* visits that the St. Paul congregation cared about me. *With You* is certainly the most important ministry of St. Paul. In the times of crisis that result in a hospital stay it is important to know that the Church of Jesus Christ cares.

I would love to be part of the *With You* team, but my cancer has taken such a toll on me that I am physically unable to participate. But you can – give serious thought to becoming a member of *With You*. You will be greatly rewarded.

Thank You,
Bill Whicher.

JULY 29

3 PM – 4:30 PM

Region 9 Gathering/Music & Ice Cream Social

Great Entertainment and Fellowship

The B Street Band will be performing for a gathering of Illinois South Conference

Region 9 churches on July 29.

The concert will begin at 3:00 with an ice cream social to follow at 3:30 in the

fellowship hall of the church. Free-will offering

St. John UCC in Fairview Heights

10207 Lincoln Trail, Fairview Hts

SAVE THESE DATES!!

SAT, SEPT 22

6:15 PM GAME

CARDINAL BASEBALL!!

CARDINALS VS. GIANTS

TICKETS ARE \$20 Per Person

AND GO ON SALE

FIRST SUNDAY OF AUGUST

(This is a fundraiser for St. Paul!!)

THE GIVE AWAY THAT DAY IS A

CARDINAL SWEATSHIRT

FOR THOSE 16 & OLDER

STAY TUNED FOR INFORMATION!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to everyone who helped to make our Celebration of Ministry Sunday such a wonderful, meaningful and delightful event. Thank you to our guests who we recognized as partners in ministry. Thank you to all who shared thoughts and prayers verbally and with cards and letters. Thank you to the Women's Guild for providing the delicious reception sweets. Thank you to all who helped prepare for this day and make it beautiful. Thank you to each person who joined in founding the Leadership Development Fund. As of this writing, Thursday, I am told that it's current value is \$8,178. GREAT! Now, let's grow from the inside out. A very sincere thank you, St. Paul UCC-Belleville, for being our friends in ministry through part of these magical 55 years of Christian ordained service.

Sue and Gus Kuether

Pastor Gus Kuether Leadership Development Fund

The Pastor Gus Kuether Leadership Fund is to encourage members of the congregation to take classes, seminars, workshops which will enhance the mission and ministries of St. Paul UCC.

For any of you who would be so inclined to make a donation of any kind, please make any checks to St. Paul UCC with a notation that it go to this fund.

We are in the process of setting all the parameters of the fund so expect to be hearing more about it in the very near future.



FNCA Summer Camp Needs Breakfast Foods!

To keep young brains energized for tutoring at the crack of 10 a.m., and to hold our students over until 11:30 lunch, FNCA is in need of small breakfast

food items for 30-40 students Monday through Friday.

Granola bars, individually wrapped baked goods, cereal, even snack crackers are perfect foods our campers to get them up in the morning. Every box and package will go to good use!

Please call 233-1710 or email fnca118@yahoo.com with any questions. Thank you so much!

FNCA and Franklin Campers



CRAFTY MANIA

Proceeds to Benefit: A Mission of the Church

Are you a Scrapbooker, Card Maker, Jewelry Maker, or like to Sew?
What ever your craft, join us!! Spend the day doing what you like!!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!!!

What: All Day Crafting
When: Saturday –September 22nd, 2018
8:30am – 4:00pm
Where: St. Paul UCC
115 West B St (enter on C St)
Belleville, IL



Adults: \$30.00 with lunch / \$25 no lunch
Includes: snacks, vendors, reserved space, attendance prizes,

Extended Hours Available! 9am–10:30pm \$35.00 per person (meals served) / NO meals \$30

Contact Person: Diana Haar @ dmhaar@charter.net
or St. Paul Church @ (618) 233-3303

****ENTER RAFFLE TO WIN A CRICUT ACCESSORIES & other raffle items.**
Raffle tickets available for purchase.

***** Early bird registration due August 28th (to be entered in special drawing)**

Reservation Deadline is September 10th

******Please remember IF the minimum is not met by the deadline,
the event will be **CANCELLED!!****

Make checks payable to: St. Paul UCC

Mail payment & reservation to: St. Paul UCC

115 West B St, Belleville, IL 62220 Attn: Crafty Mania

Name: _____

Phone _____ E-mail(print clearly) _____

I would like to sit by _____

My craft is _____

Enclosed is my payment of (please circle ONE below)

- 1 \$30.00 with lunch / \$25.00 no lunch 9am – 4pm
- 2 \$35.00 with lunch & dinner/ \$30.00 no meals 9am – 10:30pm

Offering for 06/03/2018 - \$11,369	General Fund	Needed each week \$12,912
Giving to... ██████████	\$263,732	
Budget to... ██████████	\$284,064	
Total Budget ██████████		\$671,441

Fireside Club for June—
 We are planning on attending the 9:15 service at St. John UCC in New Athens on Sunday, June 24th. Following the service, we will go for brunch at NoJack's in Smithton. Please meet at the church at 8:30am on the 24th if you want to carpool to New Athens and Smithton.


 LIFE WELL CELEBRATED®
**SEMINAR ON PRE-PLANNING
 BURIAL & CREMATION**
 JUNE 19, 2018
 HERITAGE HALL 11:30am -1:30pm
 LUNCH PROVIDED FROM ROY-EL CATERING
 PLEASE RSVP NO LATER THAN JUNE 17, 2018
 TO: LAURIE ANDERSON
 910-8629 OR 233-7200

Women's Guild - June 19, 2018
 Can you believe - it's Summertime - and - time for America's favorite - picnic time! It has been an annual tradition for the Women's Guild to celebrate the end of their business for the summer - with an indoor picnic - with no ants! All the ladies of the church are invited! Just bring a side-dish (vegetable or a salad). The Guild is furnishing the fried chicken (yum) and the dessert (double yum). So - just it on your calendar - June 19, at 6:30 pm, and be prepared to have fun - complete with bingo!

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Weekly Attendance		
9am / Celebration	<u>June 3, 2018</u>	<u>June 4, 2017</u>
	132/21	128/Single Serv

— This week at — St. Paul UCC

Please see stpaulucc.org for full calendar of events!

- Sun, June 17 **9am Traditional Service**
 11am Celebration Service
- Mon, June 18 10am exercise
 12pm prayer group— Gen Rm
 4pm private-sanctuary
 6pm NAMi— Gen Rm
 6pm SYM - AC
- Tues, June 19 OSP Deadline
 9am Quilters
 10am Lakeview Memorial
 Seminar-HH
 5pm Comm Dinner
 6pm SYM - AC
 6pm Finance Bd— Library
 7pm Womens Guild
- Wed, June 20 10am Genealogy Class— Gen Rm
 6pm SYM - AC
 Band
- Thurs, June 21 6:30pm Council
- Sat, June 23 10am Centering Prayer



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For Our Prayers

The family of Marilee Black - The family of Phyllis Buehler
Amy Drake – The family of Levi
Marsha McCoy - Ruth Mabray
Jeanette Phillips - The family of Margie Schuchardt

For Our Thoughts

My father gave me the greatest gift anyone could give another person,
he believed in me.

Jim Valvano

I want to congratulate all the men out there who are working diligently to be good
fathers whether they are stepfathers, or biological fathers or just spiritual fathers.

T. D. Jakes

I decided in my life that I would do nothing that did not reflect positively on my
father’s life. Sidney Poitier

Anyone can be a father, but it takes someone special to be a dad,
and that’s why I call you dad, because you are so special to me.
You taught me the game and you taught me how to play it right.

Wade Boggs

A real man loves his wife, and places his family as the most important thing in life.
Nothing has brought me more peace and content in life than simply being a good
husband and father.

Frank Abagnale