

**“I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.  
Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.”**

**Psalm 139**



“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!*

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9:00 am Special Annie Worship Service in the Sanctuary

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## 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**.

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 not available today as it is being used as a dressing room, however it is usually 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. 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!*

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# ***St. Paul United Church of Christ***

*Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time / Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost*

August 12, 2018 9:00 am

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

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

***You Are My King***  
*Scott Wilson and Tyler Kohrs*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Celebrate this space!

**Many: Even when our hearts hurt, this space is here.**

One: Celebrate these people!

**Many: Even when gloom expands in our lives,  
our siblings in faith surround us with love.**

One: Though our lives may be dingy and filled with gray skies-

**Many: The sun will rise tomorrow.**

One: In the frigid season of grief and the mild springtime of hope,

**Many: Divine love abides.**

### INVOCATION (Unison)

**Spirit of God in whose image we are made, we come to you in our shadows and sparkles. We know that no matter who we are, how we are dressed or how fabulous our lives, you are with us. May we be a source of light for those who sit in rooms of gloom. May we see your Divine Image in the faces of all our neighbors. May we work to craft a world of vibrancy for all of your children. Amen.**

### +OPENING SONG

***Mighty to Save***  
*Scott Wilson and Tyler Kohrs*  
Everyone needs compassion  
A love that's never failing

Let mercy fall on me  
Everyone needs forgiveness  
The kindness of a Savior  
The hope of nations

Savior He can move the mountains  
My God is Mighty to save  
He is Mighty to save  
Forever author of salvation  
He rose and conquered the grave  
Jesus conquered the grave

So take me as You find me  
All my fears and failures  
Fill my life again  
I give my life to follow  
Everything I believe in  
Now I surrender

Savior He can move the mountains  
My God is Mighty to save  
He is Mighty to save  
Forever author of salvation  
He rose and conquered the grave  
Jesus conquered the grave (2X)

Shine your light and let the whole world see singing  
For the glory of the risen king, Jesus (2X)

Savior He can move the mountains  
My God is Mighty to save  
He is Mighty to save  
Forever author of salvation  
He rose and conquered the grave  
Jesus conquered the grave (2X)

Shine your light and let the whole world see singing  
For the glory of the risen king, Jesus (4X)

**+PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION**

One: Caregiver God, you beg us to tend to all of your children. You call us to especially heed the concerns of the children who are parentless, who hunger, who find themselves in situations of harm. And yet, we care only for our families of origin rather than your entire human family.

**All: May our minds open to the ways homes are divided. May our hearts open to the children crying. May our souls open to the families unlike ours. God is calling us to discover the ways we can care for the orphans, widows, and aliens in our world. Amen.**

+ASSURANCE OF GRACE

One: In each of our lives we will stumble and fall. We will fail. We will be dismissive. But God's love is steadfast, and God will help us stand when we stumble. Abide in God's abundant grace and know there are new beginnings.

**All: Amen! Alleluia!**

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENT: Blessing of the Backpacks and School Supplies

PSALM 130 (Adaptation)

SPECIAL MUSIC

*It's a Hard-Knock Life*  
The Cast of Annie

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Exodus 22:21-23 & Psalm 139:1-18

SERMON

It's a Hard-Knock Life  
Rev. Michelle Torigian

**PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE with 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**

One: God has graced us with many gifts - offerings of time, flairs for certain talents, and presents of treasure. In turn, we contribute part of what we are given for the good of God's Kin-dom.

OFFERTORY

*Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love*

arr. Bradley Sowash

+DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ in whom God's grace we know  
Praise Spirit, with us evermore  
**One God, triune, whom we adore. Amen.**

**UNISON PRAYER of DEDICATION**

**Spirit of God, utilize these gifts to turn gloom into glitter and shadows into sparkles. Give us wisdom to understand where these gifts benefit the most of your children. May these presents be used to generate light for all. Amen.**

+SONG

*Tomorrow*  
The Cast of Annie

**+BENEDICTION**

One: May God's luminosity fill each hole, each gap, each flaw with eternal light. May we carry the radiance of Christ through each step, each act of care, each call for justice on our journeys. May the glow of the Holy Spirit fill our world with love, hope, peace, and joy.

**All: Amen!**

+POSTLUDE

*Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

arr. Mark Sedio

Worship service liturgy written by Rev. Michelle L. Torigian

## **Production Crew of Annie**

<b>Director</b>	Tyler Kohrs
<b>Assistants / Student Directors</b>	Grace Preciado and Natalie Seaman
<b>Production Designers</b>	Nancy Keplar, Raymond Keplar, and Scott Keplar
<b>Choreographer</b>	Tyler Kohrs
<b>Sound Designer</b>	Scott Keplar
<b>Sound Crew</b>	Skylar Anderson
<b>Lighting Manager</b>	Judi Keplar
<b>Lighting Crew</b>	Dawson Anderson, Carson Hopper, and Bronwen Zacharski
<b>Stage Manager</b>	Tyler Kohrs
<b>Makeup Consultants</b>	Lenora Keegan and Tyler Kohrs
<b>Makeup Artists</b>	Emily Bechtold, Cheyla Jenkins, Sarah Kerico, Tyler Kohrs, and Grace Preciado
<b>Art Designer</b>	Andrew Totsch
<b>Design Crew</b>	Dawson Anderson, Kaitlyn Hart, Carson Hopper, Paul Hopper, Cheyla Jenkins, Judi Keplar, Greg Seaman, Scott Struense, Andrew Totsch, Xander Totsch, and Karen Zacharski
<b>Program/Graphic Designer</b>	Tina Lake-Hopper
<b>Rehearsal Accompanist</b>	Mary Lu Bretsch
<b>Rehearsal Assistance</b>	Cheyla Jenkins, Kelly Neighbors, Maria Page, Holly Ritter, Douglas Sanchez, Shanin Sanchez, Renee Seaman, Michelle Struense, and Karen Zacharski
<b>Stage Crew</b>	Kaitlyn Hart and Xander Totsch
<b>Audition Panelists</b>	Mary Lu Bretsch, Tyler Kohrs, Jeana Smith, and Scott Wilson
<b>Thank You to Our Distributors</b>	Beamworks, Home Brite Ace Hardware, Production Support Services, Schnucks, Sweet Katie Bee's, & TSV Sound and Vision.

## Cast of Annie

<b>Annie</b>	Jordyn Struense
<b>Miss Hannigan</b>	Emily Bechtold
<b>Oliver Warbucks</b>	Makari Robinson-McNeese
<b>Grace Farrell</b>	Grace Preciado
<b>Rooster Hannigan</b>	Jack Stokes
<b>Lily St. Regis</b>	Essence Ocean
<b>Pepper</b>	Jillian Ritter
<b>Molly</b>	Alaina Cleveland
<b>Kate</b>	Peyton Long
<b>Tessie</b>	Cady Keplar
<b>July</b>	Kiersten Rogers
<b>Duffy</b>	Evan Totsch
<b>Sandy (the dog)</b>	Nate Dodt
<b>Bundles McCloskey</b>	Braden Neighbors
<b>Officer Ward</b>	John McCleary
<b>Drake</b>	Bram Zacharski
<b>Cecille</b>	Abby Showmaker
<b>Annette</b>	Bobbi Kerico
<b>Mrs. Greer</b>	Carmen Baldrige
<b>Mrs. Pugh</b>	Makayla Todd
<b>Bert Healy</b>	Landon Page
<b>Apple Seller</b>	Evan Bechtold
<b>Dogcatcher</b>	Simon Bechtold
<b>Chauffeur</b>	Braden Neighbors
<b>Usherette</b>	Natalie Seaman
<b>Cop</b>	John McCleary
<b>Sound Effects Man</b>	Cole Sanchez
<b>President Franklin D. Roosevelt</b>	John McCleary
<b>Louis Howe</b>	Braden Neighbors
<b>Man</b>	Bram Zacharski
<b>Star to Be #1</b>	Riley Zerjal
<b>Star to Be #2</b>	Jayden Touchette
<b>Child #1</b>	Evan Bechtold
<b>Child #2</b>	Simon Bechtold
<b>#1</b>	
<b>Child #2</b>	

LEADING THIS TIME OF WORSHIP	
<i>Lay Reader</i> .....	St Paul Youth <i>Sound</i> .....Rick Haar & Scott Keplar
<i>Radio</i> .....	Sherry Stepp <i>Control Room</i> .....
<i>Ushering Team</i> .....	Helen Whicher, Donna Davis, Bob & Judy Harms, Terry Kalinowski, Scott Gentry
<i>Welcome Center</i> .....	Janet Heil, Shirley Martin, Jerry Messick, Gloria Strohm, Eric Gentry
<i>Music Ministry</i> .....	Tyler Kohrs and Scott Wilson
<i>Traditional Music Director</i> .....	Dan Fry
<i>Senior Pastor</i> .....	Rev. Michelle Torigian





SAINT PAUL  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

# NEWS & NOTES

Aug 12, 2018

Summer

Youth

Musical

presents

# Annie Jr.

Friday

Aug 10

7pm

Saturday

Aug 11

7pm

Sunday

Aug 12

2pm

**No Admission Cost - bring the family!**

Free Will Offering

**St. Paul UCC**

**115 West B Street . Belleville**

**stpaulucc.org**

Director Tyler Kohrs

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## Blessing of the Backpacks

**TODAY!!!**

anyone (child or adult)  
attending school who would  
like to start their school year  
off "blessed", bring your  
backpacks for the "Blessing  
of the Backpacks" done by  
our very own,  
Pastor Michelle.

## Franklin School

### School Supplies Drive

Help bring joy & support to the  
Franklin School for their 2018-19 Academic Year

#### Supplies Needed:

Pencils, Markers, Notebooks, Erasers  
Notebook Paper, Scissors, Rulers  
Folders, Crayons, Germ-X  
Kleenex/Tissues, Dry Erase Markers  
Copy Paper, Glue, Glue Sticks

**Please place in basket in Welcome center  
on TODAY !!!! Or bring to church office!!**



PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS FOR OUR  
ST. PAUL NIGHT AT BUSCH STADIUM

**CARDINAL BASEBALL!!**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**  
**CARDINALS VS. GIANTS**

**6:15 pm game**



Tickets go on sale Sunday, August 5  
in the Welcome Center/Activity Center or from the Church Office on weekdays.  
\$20 per person (no children's ticket price) Seats are in the Left Field Pavilion Section 371

We'll have a panoramic view of the entire field!

The give away that evening is a Cardinal sweatshirt for those 16 and older.

This is a fundraiser for St. Paul and our goal is to sell 300 tickets – so invite friends, family – everyone you know who's a baseball fan – even if they root for the Giants! **If we reach our goal, 4 lucky ticket holders will win a pregame field visit to watch batting practice, we'll get a group photo, group recognition on the scoreboard during the game and, if available, sing God Bless America or Take Me Out to the Ballgame.** Plus, we'll be earning \$\$ for St. Paul while having a great evening of fun and fellowship! You just can't miss this event!!

Here are a few tips that might be helpful:

- \*Only soft-sided coolers no larger than 16"x16"x8" are allowed in the stadium
- \*No backpacks are allowed, unless it's a diaper bag
- \*Factory sealed soda, water in clear plastic bottles, no larger than 2 liters, are allowed
- \*No alcohol or non-alcoholic beer is allowed \*Empty cups, mugs or plastic bottles are allowed
- \*No aluminum containers, glass bottles, metal cans or thermoses are allowed
- \*Food items are allowed but must fit in a bag no bigger than 16"x16"x8"

Redbird Express Information:

- \*Cost for round trip (cash only) adults \$5; ages 2 – 12 \$2; under 2 free
- \*Buses leave (about every 5 – 8 minutes) beginning 2 ½ hours before game time from the water tower at St. Clair Square in Fairview Heights and *if we know that we'll have more than 25 riders, we might be able to get our own bus*
- \*Drop off is at the corner of Clark & Broadway near Gates 5 & 6
- \*The last bus leaves stadium -Clark Street between Broadway & 4<sup>th</sup>, 45 minutes after game ends

Let's make this a super success & start off our new church year with a home run!!

Brought to you by your St. Paul Stewardship Board



**Kurt Fest** The Mueller Family will honor the memory of Kurt Jacob Mueller, our son and brother at a Free Outdoor Concert featuring *the Harris Brothers* Thurs, Aug 16 6pm-9pm at the Belleville Mini Park (between Wine Tap & Tavern on Main) 227 East Main St  
*Come for friendship! Celebrate Life!  
The music will be great!*

**Mingles & Singles Celebrate  
Summer Party at Al & Nancy Scharf's Farm  
8132 State Rt. 163, Millstadt Saturday, August 25  
Fun begins at 6:30pm  
1st annual 'Scharf Olympics' games, Live band,  
hang out with Pastor Michelle, and much more!!**

YOU are needed on the St. Paul UCC Team to help raise money for the cure to end Alzheimer's. Join us on Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> for the Walk to End Alzheimer's at SWIC. To register for the St. Paul UCC Team, go online to "Walk To End Alzheimer's, Belleville" OR Contact Susan Relfe at [susanrelfe@att.net](mailto:susanrelfe@att.net) or 234-2176



Join Andy Jensen and the **No-Name Chorale** for **The Song Within**, a FREE concert presented at 3pm on TODAY at Union United Methodist Church, 721 E. Main St. in Belleville. This marks the chorale's 5th annual summer project and will feature 50+ singers from the greater St. Louis area & a variety of music celebrating hope. A free-will offering will be taken to support the Natl Suicide Prevention Lifeline, a network of local crisis centers that provides free & confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. We sincerely hope you'll join us for another experience worth sharing!

### **Worship Service Volunteers Appreciation Day**

The Worship Board will host our annual "Thank You" for our worship service volunteers on **Sunday, August 19**. If you usher, run the radio room, sound systems, worked in the control room, read during a service or shook a hand as a greeter, lit a candle.... *join us!!* We will meet after the 9am service in the Activities Center to enjoy a light lunch together!  
*All who have helped in making our worship services wonderful are encouraged to attend!*

### **Worship Service Volunteers Training Day**

All worship service volunteers are encouraged to attend a volunteer training on **Sunday, August 26**. If you usher, run the radio room, sound systems, worked in the control room, read during a service or shook a hand as a greeter, lit a candle... *join us!!* We will meet in the sanctuary after the 9am service. *We will be learning more about how to have a safe and caring church environment.* Questions—please call church office.

Please join us for summer choir! What's that? Come on up to the choir room on August 19, 26, and September 2 at 8:30am and we will rehearse a piece you will enjoy singing for the service that day. Low commitment and a chance to help minister with music-what a great combination!  
Contact Dan with any questions.

Franklin Neighborhood Comm Assn need tutors for after-school at-risk students. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact [FNCA118@yahoo.com](mailto:FNCA118@yahoo.com) or call 233-1710. Begins Sept 10 from 3:15-4:15.



## ***For Our Prayers***

Darwin Bretsch - Amy Drake - Mike Foppe - Marsha McCoy - Mary Jean Messick  
 Kamden Newman - Geneva Rehg- Patricia Valarius - Bill Whicher

## ***For Our Thoughts (by “Annie’s”)***

“She read books as one would breathe air, to fill up and live.”  
 - Annie Dillard, author

“I’m not a saint. I’m not an angel. I’m a human being.”  
 - Annie Lennox, entertainer

“Every person, every race, every nation, has its own particular keynote  
 which it brings to the general chord of life and of humanity.”  
 - Annie Besant, philosopher

— *This week at —* St. Paul UCC  
 Please see [stpaulucc.org](http://stpaulucc.org) for full calendar of events!

<u>Sun, Aug 12</u>	<b>9am SPECIAL ANNIE SERV</b> <b>2pm ANNIE</b>
<u>Mon, Aug 13</u>	10am exercise 6pm NAMI– Gen Rm 6pm Mission Bd-Library
<u>Tues, Aug 14</u>	9am Quilters 10am Website 5pm Comm Dinner 6pm Finance Mtg
<u>Wed, Aug 15</u>	10am Gen Class 6:30 Personnel Mtg Band
<u>Thurs, Aug 16</u>	Choir Room Clean Out 6:30 Council

## **For Your Information! Craftymania!!**

*Sept 22nd - sign up now!*  
 Sign up Sheets on bulletin board or [stpaulucc.org](http://stpaulucc.org)!

**Men’s Breakfast Group**  
 Meet Wednesday morning about 7am at Swansea Family Restaurant at 4425 West Main, Bville

**Genealogy Class**  
 Learn more about you!  
 Genealogy class will be Aug 15th at 10am

**Golfers**  
 Meet at 1:30 & 3:45 at the Orchards. Everyone welcome!

**Babies Fun Stories and More**  
 2nd & 4th Weds at 9:30am  
 Fun for babies & toddlers

<b>Weekly Attendance</b>		
9am / Celebration	<u>July 29, 2018</u>	<u>July 30, 2017</u>
	132/21	107/Single Serv

