

"No matter who you are, No matter where you are on life's journey, You are welcome here."



Welcome to Worship at St. Paul UCC

We are glad you are here!

9 am Traditional Service in the Sanctuary 10 am Sunday School

Information for our friends ~

- •Our **9am Traditional Service** is inspired with hymns, scripture and a uplifting, theological based sermon, in a family friendly environment.
- •The Nursery is open during 9 am service (first classroom in the hallway off the sanctuary) If the small person 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. 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.

LEADING THIS TIME OF WORSHIP	
Lay Reader	Jane Bonaldi
Radio	
Sound / Control Room	
Ushers Wayne Caughman, Dana Rosenzweig, Beverly Brightwell,	Leslie, Carly & Megan Dahm
Tammy & Amber Fla	
Welcome CenterScott Gentry, Jeanine Gutherie, Rose Hoy, I	Debbie Lippert, Sandy Kramer
Director of Christian Education / Sunday School Teacher	Tyler Kohrs
Music Ministry	Chancel Choir
Music Director / Organist	Dan Fry
Senior Pastor	

OT = Old Testament

NT = New Testament

† Please stand if able

St. Paul United Church of Christ

Third Sunday of Easter May 5, 2019 9:00 am

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness arr. Kevin Hildebrand

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Siblings in Christ,

If you lift your net and it is empty, come here!

All: We'll cast it out again into Christ's abundance.

One: If you open your eyes but do not recognize the Holy One,

come here!

All: We'll find the Risen Christ in all Creation.

One: If your life is filled with mourning, Come here!

All: Christ is leading a dance of joy. One: Come here, beloved neighbors

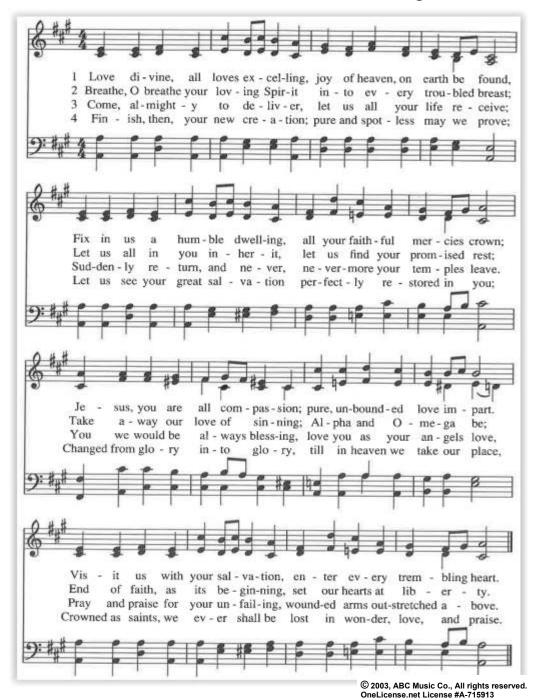
All: To give blessing and honor and glory to God!

INVOCATION (Unison)

Generous God, Creator of all that is, you have blessed us with abundance. Out of your generosity you call us to care for each other: "Feed my lambs." "Tend my sheep." "Feed my sheep." Awaken us to the beauty and bounty of your Creation. Encourage us to share generously with all those you love. During this season of Eastertide, may we protect your Creation and nurture your bounty for the generations to come. Amen.

+OPENING HYMN Love Divine, Al

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



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+PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION

One: Fearless One, you have called us to be in awe of you, but we have allowed our fears to get the better of us. We easily slip back to old habits and patterns. We have difficulty accepting change. We set dividers to keep everything contained, but you break down the barricades. The Holy Spirit cannot be contained in a box, and neither can our faith, O God.

All: Help us to follow you wherever you lead us, even when it is unfamiliar, even when we are afraid. O God, your perfect love casts out our fear, and we are renewed and restored in you. Call us to be open to where you are leading us, on this journey of faith. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GRACE

One: May we remember the voice that is calling us, and that we need not be afraid of falling astray or becoming lost, for we know the Shepherd's voice. The Shepherd is leading us on a new path of justice, mercy, and peace, and we all are welcome. Be fed. Be cared for. Be renewed and restored. Amen.

All: Thanks be to God!

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENT with Pastor Michelle

BAPTISM of Bane Michael Hoernis

Born on December 5, 2018 to Chris and Jenna Kay Hoernis, Brother of Owen Hoernis and Puppy Simba,

Proud Grandparents are Michael & Laurie Schobert and Robert & Lori Kopp,

Proud Great Grandparents are Robert & Mary Schobert and the late Kay Schobert,

Gay Eckert and the late Saverio "Chuck" Eckert, and the late Gerry and Maryann Hoernis.

God Parents are Aunt Megan Rueter and Uncle Michael Schobert.

Welcome, Address, Questions of the Candidates

Congregational Assent

Pastor: Jesus Christ calls us to make disciples of all nations and to offer them in baptism.

Do you who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support and care to the one about to be baptized, as he lives and grows in Christ?

All: We promise our love, support, and care.

Affirmation of Faith

Pastor: Let us unite with the church in all times and places in

confessing our faith in the triune God.

Pastor: Do you believe in God?

All: I believe in God.

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

All: I believe in Jesus Christ.

Pastor: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

All: I believe in the Holy Spirit.

Prayer of Baptism, Act of Baptism, Prayer for the Baptized

ANTHEM Hallelujah, Amen G.F. Handel

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE John 21:1-19

SERMON There Is Still Plenty

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: The bounty of God's grace has blessed us in so many ways.

God's love was manifested in the ultimate gift of Jesus,

who is the Christ.

Let us demonstrate our love through the sharing

of our tokens of time, talent,

and finances that God may be glorified.

OFFERTORY Allemande, from *French Suite No. 5 in G* J.S. Bach

+DOXOLOGY From All That Dwell Below the Skies

From all that dwell below the skies,

Let the Creator's praise arise;

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let the Redeemer's name be sung.

Through ev'ry land, by ev'ry tongue. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia!

+UNISON DEDICATION PRAYER

Sweet Spirit of All Possibilities, you have bestowed gifts upon each of us. Whether we have a basket full of fish or an empty net waiting in the water, we know we have something to give back to you in the form of time or talent or treasure. Expand our hearts to seek out unexpected and innovative ways to kindle the wonders of your world. Amen.

SERVICE OF COMMUNION

Invitation

One: In this season, we celebrate the risen Christ.

All: In this season, we celebrate resurrection in our lives.

One: In this season, we embrace the grace which reaches from the tomb.

All: In this season, we embrace faith by committing to love in action.

One: At this table, we shout Alleluia!

All: At this table we shout, Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Prayer of Communion

One: It is through our neighbors and creation that we see the rising of Christ, O God.

Creator of Our Earth: We celebrate the shifting of seasons from one to the next. As the earth sheds its frost, it begins to drink in the warm rains, and creation comes alive once again.

And so in this spirit of brightness and life, we celebrate. We celebrate the risen Christ in our midst. We celebrate the table in which we can join together with friends and strangers, loved ones and enemies.

Through this meal which has stood the test of time, we covenant to love you, God. We covenant to love as Jesus the Christ loved us-loving our neighbors as ourselves. Through a simple meal of grain and grape, we, your children, unite.

As we celebrate this season of Easter, we ask that the warm winds of the Spirit encircle this table and accompany us on our journey. May this Spirit help us to recognize the Christ-presence in our midst. May the Spirit open our souls in order for us to see humanity, God, and creation through the eyes of Jesus.

It was Jesus who introduced this meal to his followers. Even though Jesus knew he would be betrayed and deserted by those at this supper, he still continued to join them at the table, sharing time and space with whom he grew closest.

As the night lengthened, Jesus took a simple portion of bread. He blessed it and broke it, and shared it with the disciples. He urged them: *Remember me*.

Afterwards, Jesus took the cup. During his blessing, Jesus reminded them how he would go to the ends of the earth in his love for them.

Today, we celebrate this earth-shaking love of Jesus – a love that sent him to the cross and a love that lives eternally with us, encouraging us to live a resurrected life.

The Bread of Life and the Cup of the Covenant: Gifts to unite the Body of Christ.

Distribution of Elements

Christ welcomes to the table all who seek his presence. The outer circle of cups contains white grape juice. The two inner circles contain wine. All bread is gluten free. Please hold the bread and cup until all have been served, so we may commune together.

Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

Through this space and time together today, we celebrate the covenant that ties us with God, Jesus the Christ, our neighbors, and creation. Thank you, Divine Crafter of the Table, for fashioning us a holy meal which unites us with the Body of Christ. Send us into the world resurrected, refreshed, and ready to share Christ's unconditional love. Amen.

PRESENTATION TO SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Eric Gentry
Wayne Sherland
Amber Flach
Lee Alison Wilson

Information about today's service:

All St. Paul United Church of Christ services may be recorded.

Call to Worship, Invocation, and Benediction from Feed my Lambs, Service Prayers for the Third Sunday of Easter was written by the Rev. Quentin Chin, member of Church on the Hill in Lenox, MA. Receiving our Morning Gifts and Offerings and Dedication Prayer adapted from the one written by Rev. Michelle Torigian for the UCC General Synod 30 closing night worship.

Communion Liturgy written by Rev. Michelle L. Torigian

Prayer of Reconciliation and Assurance of Grace from http://rev-o-lution.org/2019/04/26/worship-resources-for-may-5-2019-third-sunday-of-easter/

Baptism liturgy from the UCC Book of Worship

+CLOSING HYMN In the Bulb There Is A Flower



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+BENEDICTION

As you go out into the world May God give you joyful courage to follow the command of Jesus: "Feed my lambs." "Tend my sheep." "Feed my sheep."

Seek the presence of the Risen Christ in each other and in all of Creation.

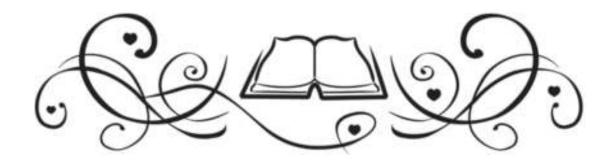
Amen!

All: Amen!

+POSTLUDE

Prelude in Classic Style

Gordon Young





Welcome

We're glad you're here!

News & Notes

Sunday mornings ~
9am Worship
in the sanctuary
10am Sunday
School
on 1, 2 & 4 Sundays

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TAKE NOTICE It's the time of year we need to be aware of how the weather around us can change in an instant, and how we can be prepared for any situation. Below is our EMERGENCY RESPONSE GUIDE, found in the pews and doorways at church. Please read and make yourself familiar with the instructions. Have a safe and blessed spring!

Emergency Response Guide



- Assist the person & assess necessary care, if possible
- Call 911 and retrieve nearest AED (HH/Northex/Choir Room areas) and use if necessary Our address is: 115 West "B" Street Belleville, IL 62220

First Aid kits located: Kitchens (upper & lower levels), Narthex in Usher Station, Church Office For Church emergency: Facility May/Pat Kinney - 806-9106 Office Mgr: Tina LakeHopper - 580-4440



Tornado

During Events in the Sanctuary

DO NOT USE THE ELEVATOR

- Wait unit there is an All Clear signal before exiting the building During events in Heritage Hall
- · Move quickly to the door of Heritage Hall and go downstairs into the Great Room
- Move through the Great Room to the hallway and Genesis rooms
- . Wait unit there is an All Clear signal before exiting the building



Fire In the event of an alarm "RACE":

- R: Remove anyone from immediate danger
- A: Activate building fire alarm system at PULL STATIONS AT NEAREST EXIT & call 911
- C: Confine the fire by closing doors
- E: Evacuate, leave the building and assemble in parking lot-near the marque. Extinguish the fire, if it can be done safely - DO NOT USE THE ELEVATOR
- . Crawl if there's smoke Feel doors before opening Go to the nearest exit
- · If you are on fire Stop. Drop and Roll



Earthquake

- Drop, cover & hold on, moving as little as possible
- Stay away from windows
- . Stay indoors until shaking stops and it is safe to exit
- Evacuate to the north parking lot-near the marquee DO NOT USE THE ELEVATOR
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Active Shooter

During the situation

- Know the nearest escape route
- Keep your hands visible & SILLINGE cell phone
- · If unable to escape, drop and hide out of view if possible
- · Block entry to your hiding place and lock doors if possible
- Last resort and only if your life is in imminent danger -Attempt to incapacitate the shooter When First Responders Arrive
- · Remain calm & follow their instructions
- · Keep hands visible at all times and avoid quick movements





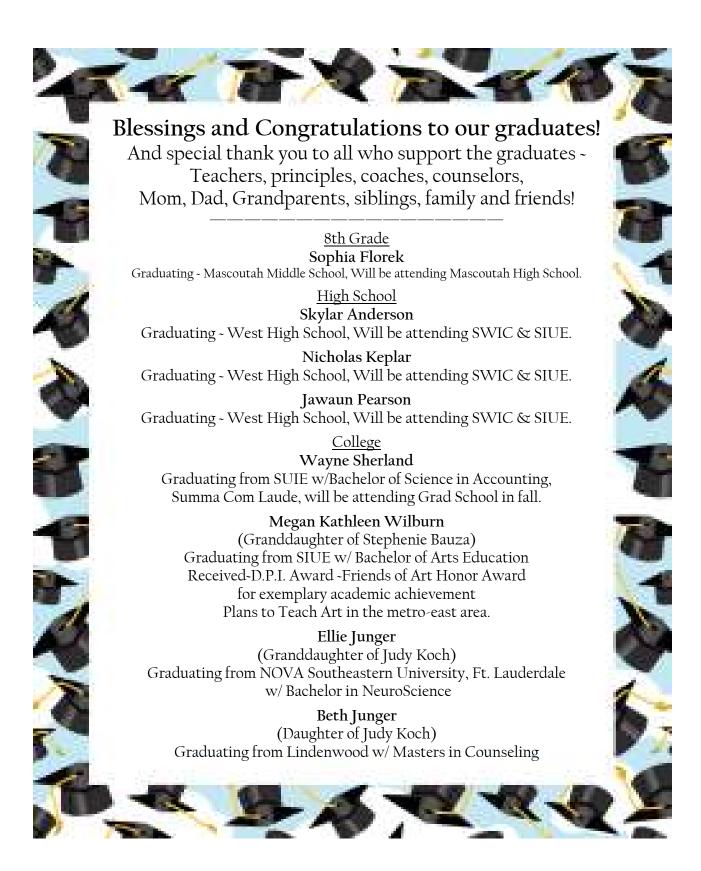
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT GRANT OPPORTUNITY

A Leadership Development Fund has been established to increase the quality of leadership across the entirety of the congregation and its mission and ministries by providing encouragement and financial assistance for St. Paul members. Formal and informal classes, seminars, workshops and facilitation of group and on-site leadership development will enhance the mission and ministries of St. Paul UCC.

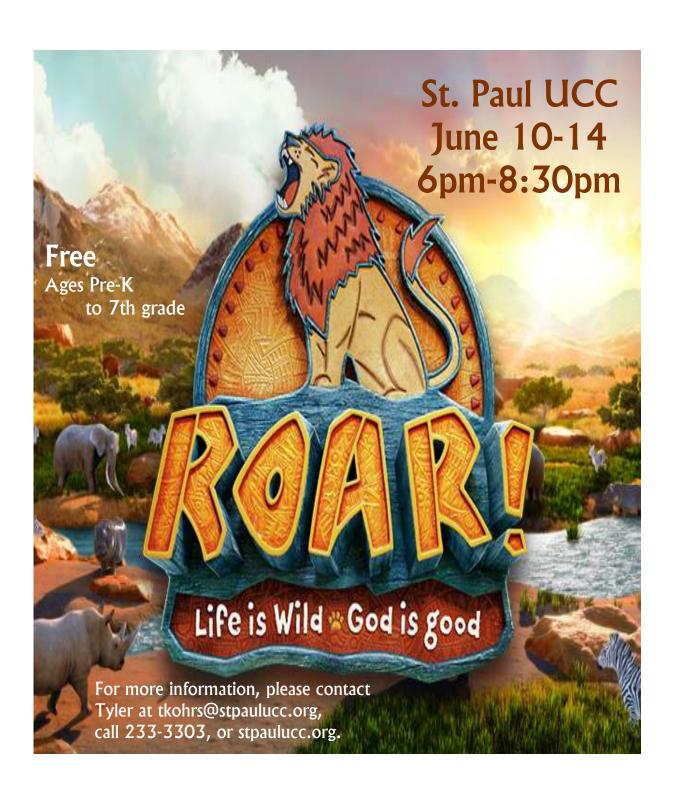
All St. Paul Leadership Development Grants will be applied for through and recommended by an established St. Paul governance body (i.e. the Church Council, a Board, Committee or Task Force), to the St. Paul Leadership Development Fund Committee for approval and disbursement.

The Leadership Development Fund was created by Pastor Gus Kuether in honor of his 60th year in the ministry and will be held by St. Paul UCC as a designated fund. The Leadership Development Fund will be administered by the Leadership Development Fund Committee. All grants will be partial and will only cover part of the total costs for attendance and participation. Upon completion, an oral or written report of learnings and suggestions for application at St. Paul will be rendered to the St. Paul recommending body within 60 days.

Grant applications are available in the church office. For more information please contact Sue Hoffmann. Thank you.







RED, WHITE AND BLUE PATRIOTIC CONCERT PATRONS

If you would like to support our Red, White & Blue Revue as a Patron, please complete the form below and return it to the church office with your check made out to St. Paul Fine Arts no later than May 12th. Your name will

appear in the appropr	riate Patron category in tl	ne concert program.
Red Patron \$25	White Patron \$50	Blue Patron \$100
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St. Paul Fine Arts Red, White Sunday May 19	& Blue Rev	PC-NO-DA-PA

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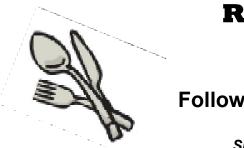


The Fine Arts Committee is most grateful for your support of this event. Please print EXACTLY what you want to appear in the program on the line following your choice of support.

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Red, White& Blue **Picnic**

Sunday, May 19 **Following the Patriotic Concert** In the Activity Center

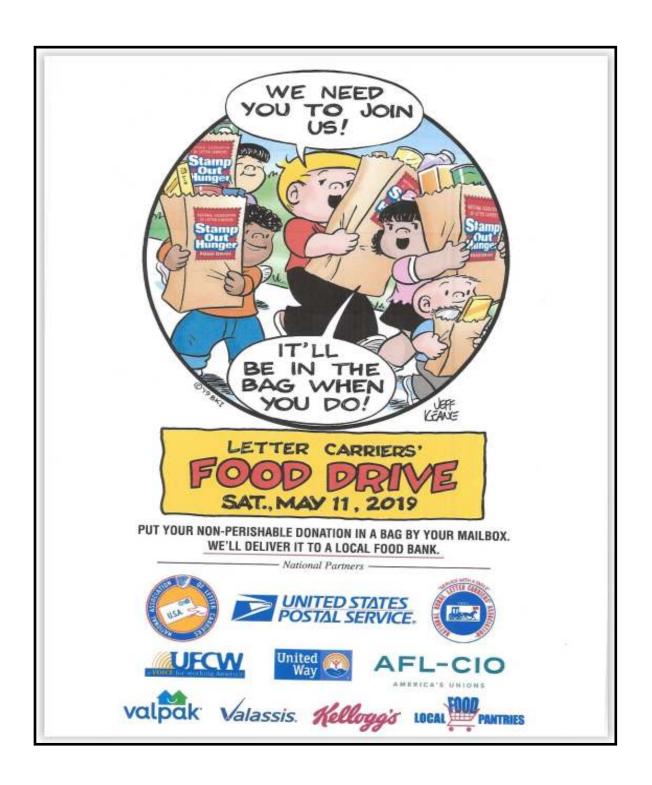
Sponsored by St. Paul Mission Board 🕏 Pulled Pork, Potato Salad, Slaw, Baked Beans, Desserts, Drinks.

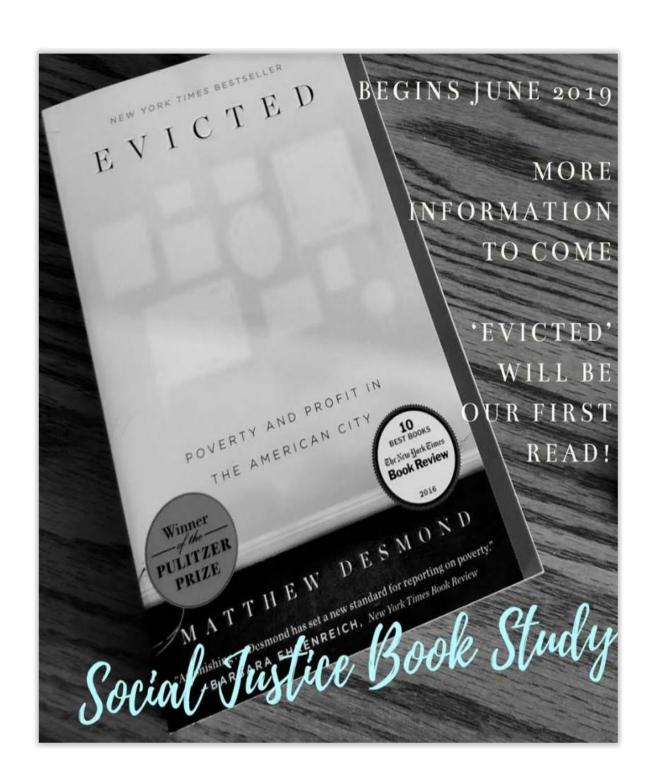
Tickets on Sale May 5, 12, 19 - Welcome Center! 🕏 **Cost: \$10.00 per plate** (carry-outs available) } ★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

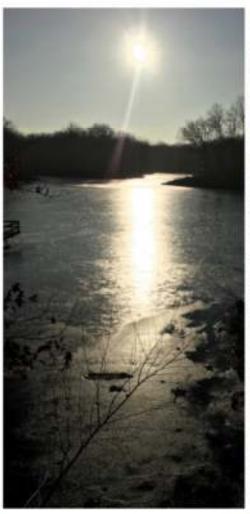
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We need cakes and pies for the Patriotic Picnic. If you are able to donate, please fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate. Cakes and pies should be delivered to the kitchen on May 19 before the concert, please mark your packaging - Picnic.

I will bring	cake(s)/cookies / I will bring	pie(s)
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<mark>☆</mark> Name	Phone	







Operation Shimmer

Have you ever marveled at the sun across the lake at DuBois Center? You're not the only one. Whether from a canoe, pontoon, bridge or beach, you can't help but appreciate the shimmer that comes across the lake from sunrise to sunset.

In many ways, the lake is the heart of our camp. It supports camp activities, as well as wildlife and plants. Stand still and listen to the water lap, and feel the pulse of the camp.

Just as human hearts sometimes need a little extra care, our lake needs some extra care right now, with some pressing improvements.

The spillway pipe has outlived its lifespan. Temporary repairs bought time, but some Muskrat Love (for those of you old enough to remember the song) has hastened the need to make a major repair before summer camp this year. This means cutting the dam, replacing the pipe, rebuilding the dirt, and resurfacing the road. The only week out of the year when this is logically feasible is Holy Week, when there are no groups in camp.

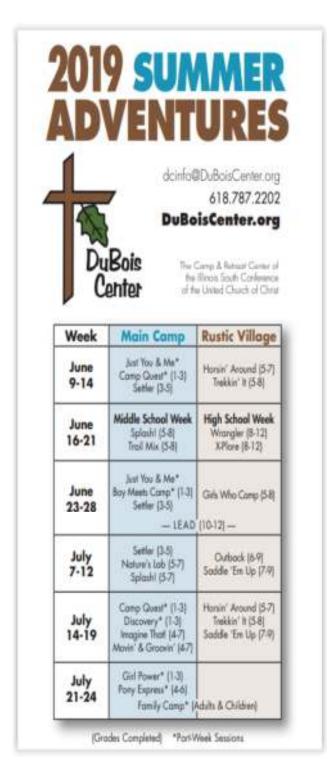
There's one other improvement needing to happen before summer, and that's air conditioning in Oak Lodge. Can we get an Amen? The shimmer of the lake in late July would look so much prettier if we all were shimmering a little less in the summer heat. It also will make the camp more attractive and accessible for campers and guests. Some dedicated AC funds are waiting to be used, and they will cover a portion of the cost.

So welcome to **Operation Shimmer**. These expenses are larger than our typical

improvement, and they need to happen over the course of the next four months. Based on estimates for both projects, our goal is \$60,000, with \$10,000 already received. The first money in goes to repair the spillway so the work can happen in April. Air conditioning will go in second, but still before camp fills in June.

It's a tall order in a short time, but these projects require immediate attention. Dubois Center has tackled sudden expenses in the past with support from across the Conference. This time is no different.

We need your donations, your Lenten fundraisers, your pop-up yard sales and trivia nights to meet the \$60,000 goal by the end of May. These repairs just can't wait. Help us keep our aquatic heart healthy and keep the shimmer on the lake. Donations can be sent to the Illinois South Conference labeled Operation Shimmer, and they'll go to this project. Thank you for your unwavering support of DuBois Center.



Experience DuBois Center this Summer

Explore God's creation on acres and acres of beautiful terrain. Swim and boat in the lake. Ride a horse. Go for a hike. Sing around the bonfire and experience the wonders of the night. Play wacky games and make new friends. Be yourself, try new things and grow your faith. Be part of a Christian community. See how amazing serving God is! Days at DuBois are filled with a variety of activities which are adapted for different age groups and provide a progression of experiences. There is an exciting line-up of great summer camps for all ages at DuBois Center.

duboiscenter.org

A full week at Camp costs \$400 +/-.

If you'd like to provide scholarship assistance, write your check to St. Paul UCC and designate it "DuBois Scholarship." You'll help provide a wonderful opportunity for one of our young people.

For Your Prayers

Judy Beisiegel Bruce Elser Marsha McCoy Bill Whicher

For Your Thoughts

"I slept and I dreamed that life is all joy. I woke and I saw that life is all service. I served and I saw that service is joy." - Kahlil Gibran

"Practice kindness all day to everybody and you will realize you're already in heaven now."- Jack Kerouac

"Love only grows by sharing. You can only have more for yourself by giving it away to others."- Brian Tracy

This Week

Sun, May 5 9am Traditional

Service

10am Sunday School

10am Fine Arts Mtg

Mon, May 6 10am Exercise-Grt Rm

3pm Gov French

4:30 Girl Scouts

Tues, May 7 9am Quilters

1pm Food Prep-

Kitchen

5pm Comm Dinner

Wed, May 8 9:30 Baby Class

—Grt Rm

3pm Gov French

Bells / Choir

with UMC

Thurs, May 9 4pm Masterworks

6pm Board Mtgs

Fri, May 10 9am S&N Mtg

Sat, May 11 10am Ctr Prayer

POSTAL

FOOD DRIVE

For Your Information



NEW TIME! 11pm - 12:30 in the library

Sunday, May 19:

Understanding and Responding to Dementia related Behaviors

> MEN'S WEDNESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST GROUP New Meeting Place

Pancake House on the Belt Line at 7am on Wednesdays.

Come join us for talk & fellowship

Thank You

Weekly Attendance

9am /11am Apr 21, 2019 Apr 22, 2018 270/19 119/19

Offering for 04/21/2019 - \$16,208

General Fund

Needed each week \$13,281

Giving to.. \$218,495 Budget to .. \$212,496

Total Budget

\$690,615