



Sunday, August 29, 2021

"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 Worship

Information for our friends ~

•Our **9am In-Person and Virtual Worship Service** is inspired with hymns, scripture and a uplifting, theological-based sermon and can be seen on Facebook live, on stpaulucc.org (our website - and watched at your convenience), and heard on KSTL-690 AM radio & streamed on Jubilee690.com at 9am Sundays and repeated at 9pm. You can watch the online service anytime after it has begun.

- For those in attendance: please note that our services are recorded and you may be on camera.
- Please send prayer requests by email to dyoung@stpaulucc.org or call the church office at 618-233-3303.
- We want to know that you are listening / watching online!
Please call, email or message us!
- If you would like a call or know someone who might need a call, please let us know.
- To continue your offering during this time, go to stpaulucc.org for online giving or contact the church office to set up automatic withdrawal.
- 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.

*** Notes for our congregants to stand if they are comfortably able**

ST. PAUL WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor	Rev. Michelle Torigian
Music Director	Dr. Bill Wade



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Belleville, Illinois*



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St. Paul United Church of Christ

August 29, 2021
9:00 am

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor..... Rev. Michelle Torigian
Music Director Dr. Bill Wade
Liturgist..... Fred Hotz

WELCOME Rev. Michelle Torigian

PRELUDE *Be Thou My Vision*
 arr. David Cherwien (b. 1957)

INVOCATION (UNISON)

Spirit of Hope,

Your winds propel us to move forward even when the incline is great. Your breezes bring others into our lives who surround us with words of grace and encouragement. May we inhale the positive sentiments of our neighbors as we continue on our journeys. May we exhale supportive affirmations as we meet our neighbors on our life's odyssey. Amen.



***Opening Hymn** *Creator God, Creating Still* (ST ANNE)

Text: Jane Parker Huber (1926-2008); Music: William Croft

Creator God, Creating Still

Chords: C F C Am Dm/F G C Am Em Am/C D

1 Cre - a - tor God, cre - at - ing still, by will and word and
2 Re - deem - er God, re - deem - ing still, with o - ver - flow - ing
3 Sus - tain - er God, sus - tain - ing still, with strength for ev - ery
4 Great Trin - i - ty, for this new day we need your pres - ence

Chords: G C F Dm G C F E C/E Dm C Dm/F G C

deed, cre - ate a new hu - man - i - ty to meet the pres - ent need.
grace, pour out your love on us; through us, make this a ho - ly place.
day, em - pow'r us now to do your will. Cor - rect us when we stray.
still. Cre - ate, re - deem, sus - tain us now to do your work and will.



2021 Neighbors In Need ucc.org

JUSTICE AND WITNESS MINISTRIES



UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST
NEIGHBORS IN NEED 2021
ucc.org/nin

PRAYER OF REFLECTION

God of Love, Divine Cheerleader,
We often feel as if we are deflated. We often come across others who share with us that they are experiencing the same. And some of our neighbors appear upbeat but inside they lack confidence or crave inspiration. *How is it that we can bless others with words of encouragement? What are ways that we can share inspiration and enthusiasm? How can we find the encouragement that comes directly from you when inspiration is lacking?* May we be a channel of encouragement and fill our world with love. Amen.

CHILDREN'S CHAT Pastor Michelle

ANTHEM *This Is My Father's World*
composer: Franklin Sheppard, arr. by John Innes
Mary Lu Bretsch, piano and Bill Wade, organ

SCRIPTURE Ecclesiastes 4:9-12
Romans 15:1-6

SERMON Encourage Others Pastor Michelle

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

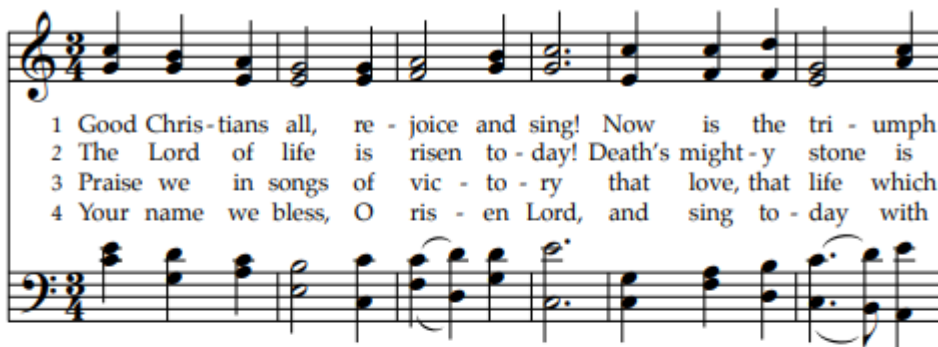
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power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



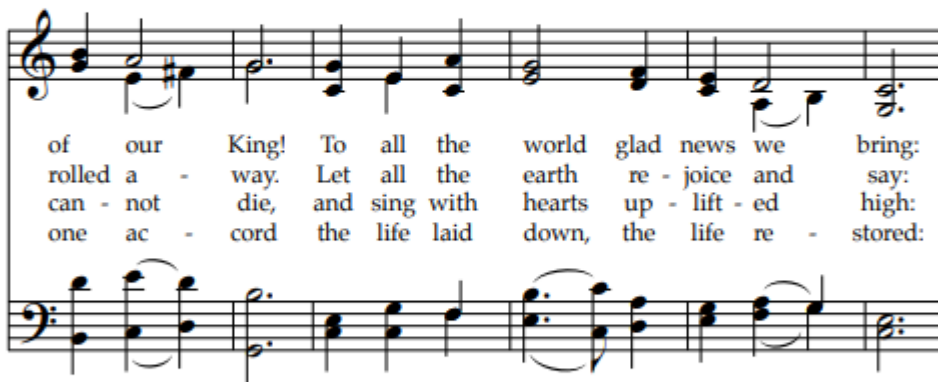
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Today's liturgy is written by Rev. Michelle L. Torigian.

***CLOSING HYMN** *Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing* (GELOBT SEI GOTT)
Text: Cyril A. Alington; Music Melchior Vulpus

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!



1 Good Chris-tians all, re-joice and sing! Now is the tri-umph
2 The Lord of life is risen to-day! Death's might-y stone is
3 Praise we in songs of vic-to-ry that love, that life which
4 Your name we bless, O ris-en Lord, and sing to-day with



of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
rolled a-way. Let all the earth re-joice and say:
can-not die, and sing with hearts up-lift-ed high:
one ac-cord the life laid down, the life re-stored:



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

***BLESSING OF THE GIFTS (UNISON)**

**God of Visions, God of Dreams,
Our gifts are meant to shine new lights in shadow-spaces. Our
talents fill places with hope that are currently devoid of dreams. May
all of our offerings build a world where our neighbors feel your
encouragement surrounding them. May the contribution of our time,
treasures, and talents change the hearts of our neighbors. Amen.**

***BENEDICTION**

May the God of Encouragement inspire us to voice our love.
May the Spirit of Hope inspire us to vision and dream.
May the Christ of Love inspire us to embrace encouragement for
ourselves.
May we pave the road ahead with words of care, grace, and
excitement. Amen.

POSTLUDE Recessional on "HYMN TO JOY "
Composed by Ludwig van Beethoven
arr. by Matthew H. Corl (b. 1965)

**ST. PAUL UCC
SUNDAY SCHOOL
PROGRAM FOR
GRADES K-5 RESUMES!**

**CLASSES BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 12 AND WILL
BE HELD EACH 2ND AND 4TH SUNDAY
AFTER WORSHIP**

**This Fall's Sunday School will feature Bible
stories from the Old Testament. Contact Pastor
Michelle with any questions!**



**SAVE THE DATE!
WALGREENS
FLU CLINIC**

Coming to St. Paul
United Church of Christ
September 19th after Worship
Please contact Sherry at St. Paul
UCC office for a form to complete
and to make arrangements for a
copy of your insurance card.

Archives Artifacts ~ St. Paul trivia from the desk of Roger Henke

When did our food pantry relocate to its present West Main Street location and begin a partnership with multiple area churches?



This Week

Sundays

9am Traditional Worship
10am Coffee & Doughnuts after worship

Here is how to stay in touch with St. Paul

1) **Watch the services and check for event updates on FACBOOK -**

Like us at *St. Paul United Church of Christ Belleville, IL*

2) **Go to stpaulucc.org**

-and you will find: videos of services, sermons, archives, and much more!!

3) **Listen to the radio! 690am**

9am Live Sundays & repeat at 9pm

For Your Prayers

Phil McClary nephew of Lynn Koehler

Walter Beatty

Bev Juenger

Lori Coleman

Julie Nollette

Al Stahl

Luci Bradley

Bob Yung

Audrey Krummrich

Sheila Kronenberger Joyce Maurer

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send prayer requests to pastomichelle@stpaulucc.org

Or call 618-233-3303

Praying for your health and well-being!



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Answer

Weekly Attendance

9am / 6pm Aug 15, 2021 73/9 + Online Participants Aug 16, 2020 52 Outside Service

Offering for 8/15/2021 - \$7,082.00

General Fund

Needed each week \$8,082

Giving to Date \$247,648

Budget to.. \$266,706

Total Budget \$420,256