

## Sunday, September 19, 2021

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



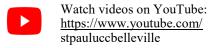
# Welcome to Worship at St. Paul UCC

We are glad you are here! September 12, 2021 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 <u>stpaulucc.org</u>
   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





#### **TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS**

Senior Pastor	
Music Director	Dr. Bill Wade
Liturgist	Lou Ryseff

**WELCOME** Rev. Michelle Torigian

**PRELUDE** Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Tune: Thomas Hastings (1784-1872); arr. by Al Roberts (b. 1946)

#### **INVOCATION (UNISON)**

O Spirit, you swept through the ages:

be among us now to fill us with radical amazement at the wonder of creation and creativity. Call to us that we may hear your voice in beauty, in witness, in song, and in prayer, and respond with all that we have to offer. Whisper to us when we doubt your goodness and despair of hope in a world fraught with signs of destruction, that we may yet hear your still small voice. Amen.

\*Opening Hymn In the Bulb There is a Flower (PROMISE)

Text and Music: Natalie Sleeth (1930-1992)

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#### \*PRAYER OF REFLECTION

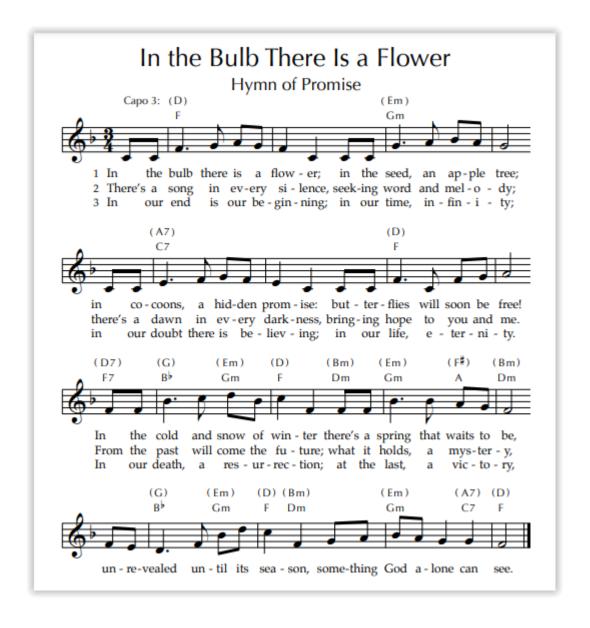
Magnificent God-

When we think of awe, our mind stumbles. We are too busy for awe. We know too much to be in awe. We are too jaded for awe. We ignore the spiritual gift of awe.

We feel awe, yes, before a mountain, a sparkling lake, or a hummingbird. We do not feel awe before the blessings of every day.

Magnificent One, help us to experience awe this week in washing dishes, in watching the backyard animals, in our offices and cars, and while taking an evening stroll. For we would be deeply faithful to you. Amen.

## CHILDREN'S CHAT Pastor Michelle



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#### WELCOMING OUR NEW MEMBER REV. TODD BEAN

(Unison Welcome)

We welcome you with joy in the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love and be witnesses of our risen Savior.

**ANTHEM** To God Be the Glory

Music: William Howard Doane (1832-1915) arr. Christine D. Anderson and Gregory Varner

Handbell Soloist, Mary Lu Bretsch

SCRIPTURE Psalm 1

**SERMON** Rooted by the River 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.

\*CLOSING HYMN The Church of Christ in Every Age (WAREHAM)

Text: Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000) Music: William Knapp ((1698-1768)

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## \*BLESSING OF THE GIFTS (UNISON)

**Divine Foundation,** 

Your generosity builds us. Your grace allows us to continue to grow. With your gifts, we can see into the future with hope. With treasures, talents, and time from you, our church, community, and world will thrive. Amen.

#### \*BENEDICTION

Go from this place, letting your anxious worries cease.

May the lilies of the field and birds of the air

inspire you to see God in all you do.

May the blessing of Jesus, who announced God's righteousness, of the Creator, who fills Earth with beauty, and of the Spirit, who nurtures awe, bless, inspire, and empower you. Amen.

## **POSTLUDE** Voluntary on Woodlands

Tune: Walter Greatorex (1877 - 1949) arr. J. Wayne Kerr (b. 1958)



#### ST. PAUL WORSHIP LEADERS

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

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

Heritage Hall has been renovated. When you are standing in the middle of the space, how many windows (individual or set) can you see?



## This Week

# For Your Prayers

## Sundays

9am Traditional Worship 10am Culinaire's Breakfast

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
- 4) Sign up for the eNews (Newsletter)!

Phil McClary nephew of Lynn Koehler

Walter Beatty Bev Juenger Lori Coleman Julie Nollette

Al Stahl Luci Bradley

Audrey Krummrich Carol Hotz
Sheila Kronenberger Joyce Maurer
Deb Harms

Jim Young Bob Harms

Matt Eckert, son of Mark and Rita, who is currently deployed

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send prayer requests to pastomichelle@stpaulucc.org or call 618-233-3303

Praying for your health and well being!

#### Answer 12

### Weekly Attendance

9am Sept 5, 2021 62 + Online Participants Sept 6, 2020 39 Outside Service

Offering for	9/5/2021 - \$10,072	General Fund	Needed each week	\$8,082
Giving to Date Budget to			\$266,193 \$290,952	
Total Budget				\$420,256