

Sunday, June 19, 2022 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

"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



June 19, $2022 \sim 9:00$ am Happy Father's Day to all who father!

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS	
Senior Pastor	Rev. Michelle Torigian
Director of Music	Tristan Frampton
Organist	Robert Chamberlin Stephenie Bauza
Liturgist	Stephenie Bauza
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WELCOME Rev. Michelle Torigian

PRELUDE Beautiful Savior

Silesian Folk Tune, arr. by Kevin Hildebrand

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 42)

One: As a deer longs for flowing streams of water, our souls reach out to seek our God.

Many: Where is our God? In the cleansing of the rain, in the refreshing of a pool, in the predictability of a faucet.

One: With glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, our voices lift toward our God. Many: Where is our God? In the melody of voices raised in concert, in the stillness of silence, in the noises of spontaneous praise.

One: As deep calls to deep, we come to worship the Living God.

Many: Where is our God? In the echoes of our prayers, in the reverence of bowed heads, in the hope of raised faces. The Holy One is with us.

INVOCATION (UNISON)

Holy Wisdom, we hear you calling us to gather and to hope in your name. Ignite sacred courage in us to proclaim the good news of God's radical love and justice from the comfort of the sanctuary. Inspire a compelling vision of a gracious, beloved, and empowered community that propels us to participate in your creative work in our time. Renew our hope for humanity so that we might rejoice in this inhabited world and delight in our siblings. Amen.

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*OPENING HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling BEECHER (See previous page)

*PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION AND REFLECTION (UNISON)

Holy and Gracious God, fear seeks to be our constant companion. It stifles us with its overwhelming presence and prolific imagination. Fear surrounds us and blocks our vision and your path. Fear keeps us from picking up our cross as much as it suppresses our joy in you. Fear invites us to believe the easy lie rather than confronting the hard truths necessary for your realm to come. Too often, we cast off your perfect love in favor of crushing fear. Forgive us for choosing doubt when we could have you, your presence, and your way as our companions on our journey. Empower us to reject fear and all that fall complicit in dampening your truth. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF GRACE AND HOPE

Romans 5 reminds us that "We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand." That grace promises the glory of transformation through the acknowledgement of need for it. New life awaits as "hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us." Receive grace, embrace transformation, and enter the newness of life in which Christ fashions our struggles into character and hope.

A MESSAGE FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

Pastor Michelle

SPECIAL MUSIC *Wade in the Water, arr. Mark Hayes*

Bill Guthrie

SCRIPTURE Galatians 1:1-12 & Luke 8:26-39

SERMON Who Are We Making Happy?

A FATHER'S AND FATHERING DAY PRAYER

This worship service is live streamed and recorded.

*Notes where to stand if comfortably able.

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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.

REFLECTION ON GIVING

The gifts of God come generously and abundantly. We hold, nurture, and amplify them as they are entrusted to our care. We respond faithfully by sharing them for the good of community and creation. In this act of faith and trust, we transform our resources of time, talent, and finances into the good news in the world.

*DOXOLOGY (Tune: Old Hundreth)

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.

*BLESSING OF THE GIFTS (UNISON)

We give you thanks, God Our Help, for the abundance of the gifts you have planted in us as seeds that we may share in bloom. May these offerings be received and magnified for your glory. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

This Is a Day of New Beginnings
BEGINNINGS

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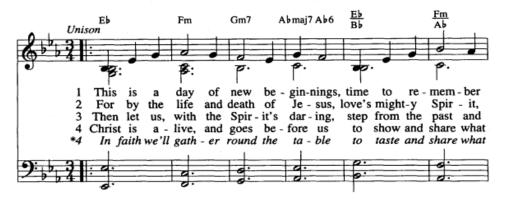
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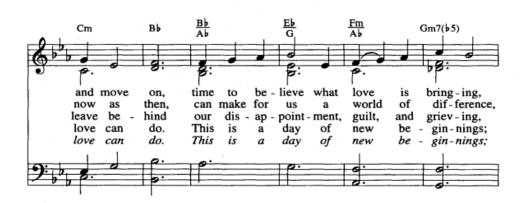
May peace be with you as you confront lies with truth and fear with hope. May the Abiding One strengthen you to stand in truth and hope. May the Living Water refresh you with new streams of righteousness. May Wisdom be the voice you follow now as you go out into the world- encouraged, emboldened, and renewed.

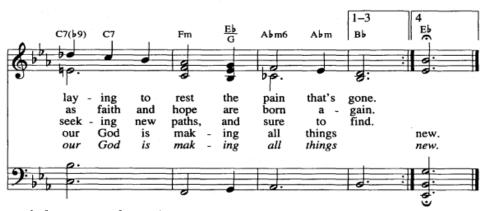
POSTLUDE

The Rejoicing, from Suite in G Charles Callahan

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Sing only first version of verse 4

The flowers on the altar today are by Diane Drake in loving memory of Rick on their 50th Wedding Anniversary





share in the hospitality of friends and food!

Monday, July 18 - 6:00pm-? Location: Sue & Dave Hoffmann's home

Cost: \$20 - Margaritas & Food Provided

Proceeds to benefit the general fund.

RSVP: Sue 618-593-7795

Maximum 50 participants



NEXT MEETING Tuesday, June 21st from 1-3pm in the craft room



THANK YOU FOR SHARING AND CARING, SANDY RITTER

As Covid numbers rise we ask you to do the following for the health of the community: If you have been exposed to Covid, please wear a mask & be aware of social distancing.

If you are sick, have the symptoms of Covid, or have Covid, please stay home.

Thank you!

Healthy members of the community are not required to wear a mask, but anyone is welcome to wear one inside the building.

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

In January of 1960, our congregation voted to change the name of our church to the current one. What was the previous name?

This Week

For Your Prayers

Sundays

Traditional Worship 9am

10am Coffee Hour after worship

Culinaire's Breakfast

(3rd Sunday of the month)

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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

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Grace Wolf

Marilyn Dinkelmann

Mackenzie Shelton.

Christopher Mitchell

Scott Schmidt, brother of Steve Schmidt

Laura Sadler

Mona McAllister

Brian Sample, nephew

of Kathy Birkner The family of Bobbie

Smith

niece of Lana Gentry

Kylo Williamson, great grandson of Gordon and Dorothy Maiworm

PRAYER REQUESTS

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



Praying for your health and well being!



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Weekly Attendance

9am June 5, 2022 80 + Online Participants June 6, 2021 **54 + 23 Outside**

VUSMEK:

General Fund Offering through 6/10/2022 - \$27,295.60 Needed each week \$7,696 Giving to Date Budget to .. Total Budget \$400.199