

Sunday, October 2, 2022
17th 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

October 2, 2022 ~ 9:00 am

17th Sunday after Pentecost

World Communion Sunday

Neighbors in Need



TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Senior Pastor.....	Rev. Michelle Torigian
Director of Music	Tristan Frampton
Guest Organist	Robert Chamberlin
Liturgist	Sandy Wagner

WELCOME

Rev. Michelle Torigian

PRELUDE

My God, Thy Table Now is Spread (Rockingham)

Setting by Peter Pindar Stearns

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: From the East and the West,

Many: From the North and the South,

One: We will eat in the kingdom of God-

Many: Where the last will be first

One: And the first will be last

Many: So that all can enter the gate no matter how narrow

One: And all will share equally from what they have.

INVOCATION (UNISON)

Holy God, we arrive heavy with all that we carry from the wider world. Let us come to the gate of worship and leave behind all that would make it hard for us to enter. Let us release all that stops us from knowing and living generously. May we embrace a mindset of abundance. May what we have pave a way of blessing for all. Let us say yes to your Realm and join in solidarity with the intentionally international and multicultural family you have made. Amen

*OPENING HYMN

We Come as Guests Invited 702

N.C. Eb Ab $\Delta\flat$ C Db Bbm Eb $\Delta\flat$ C Bbm7 Eb Ab

1 We come as guests in - vit - ed when Je - sus bids us dine,
2 We eat and drink, re - ceiv - ing from Christ the grace we need,
3 One bread is ours for shar - ing, one sin - gle fruit - ful vine,

N.C. $\Delta\flat$ C Eb Bb Ab $\Delta\flat$ C Db Bbm Bbm6 Eb $\Delta\flat$ C Bbm7 Eb Ab

his friends on earth u - nit - ed to share the bread and wine;
and in our hearts be - liev - ing on him by faith we feed;
our fel - low-ship de - clar - ing re - newed in bread and wine;

Ab Eb G Ab $\Delta\flat$ C Eb Fm $\Delta\flat$ Gb Db F $\Delta\flat$ C Eb \sharp Eb

the bread of life is bro - ken, the wine is free - ly poured
with won - der and thanks - giv - ing for love that knows no end,
re - newed, sus - tained, and giv - en by to - ken, sign, and word,

N.C. $\Delta\flat$ C Eb7 Bb Ab $\Delta\flat$ C Db Bbm Eb $\Delta\flat$ C Bbm7 Eb Ab

for us, in sol - emn to - ken of Christ our dy - ing Lord.
we find in Je - sus liv - ing our ev - er - pres - ent friend.
the pledge and seal of heav - en, the love of Christ our Lord.

***PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION AND REFLECTION (UNISON)**

Merciful God we turn again toward you knowing that we have not fully committed to your path. We anxiously attempt to secure our own position using the patterns of the world. We are too easily dazzled by the illusions of status that our possessions give us. We are quick to draw lines of who is welcome and who is not, ignoring that the gate you have made admits those from all over the globe. Forgive us. Create again in us the pattern of your Realm. Call us again to fuller dimensions of stewardship, and show us again what we need to do as a part of your global family of care. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF GRACE AND HOPE**

You are the divine creation, and it is not right for you to be alone. Know now that you are forgiven and called back into relationship with God and with one another.

A MESSAGE FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

Pastor Michelle

ANTHEM

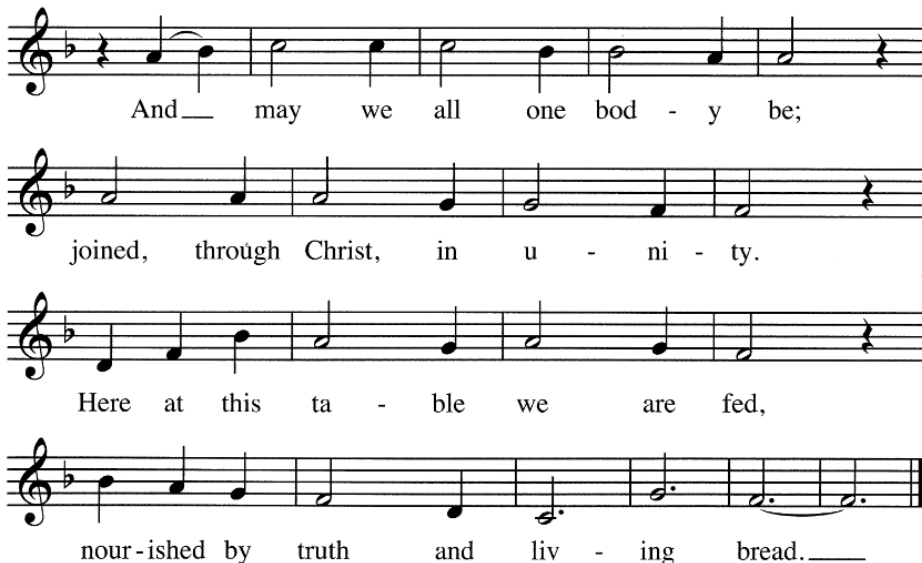
Living Bread, arr. Joel Raney
Chancel Choir

Living Bread

Words by ANON.
Adapted by JOEL RANEY

Music by
JOEL RANEY

Congregation:



And__ may we all one bod - y be;
joined, through Christ, in u - ni - ty.
Here at this ta - ble we are fed,
nour-ished by truth and liv - ing bread.____

SCRIPTURE

Luke 13:22-30 & Luke 14:7-24

SERMON

Inclusive Realm of God

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.**

MISSION MOMENT: NEIGHBORS IN NEED OFFERING

REFLECTION ON GIVING

Our generosity here helps make unbalanced scales more even, creating a merciful world. We are given the choice every day to use our time, our talents and our treasures towards making the Realm more real, both for ourselves and our neighbors. May we give in that spirit of love, justice, and equity.

*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.**

World Communion Sunday & Neighbors in Need Special Offering



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

God of generous invitation, we are grateful for the ways you show us how to come closer to you. In our living and in our giving, you call us away from paths that harm us and others and toward your way of blessing. May our offerings, and all the other gifts of this congregation continue the work of healing the whole world. Amen.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sentences of Invitation

Communion Prayer and Words of Remembrance

Distribution of the Elements

All are welcome at the Table of Christ! Ushers will release the pews to come forward. Gluten free communion will be in the basket on the table. If you would like white grape juice or wine please take a cup. Bread will be served in your cupped hand, then select grape juice (white juice) in outer ring, wine (red) in inner two rings. Consume the elements and place cup in tray before returning to the pew. If you need service in the pew, please raise your hand.

Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

We celebrate our gratitude, Loving God, Divine Companion. As this spiritual meal has nourished us, inspire us to feed our neighbors and journey with the lonely. Through our co-creation together, may we spread love throughout our world and extend your hospitality to people in need. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

(see pages 8-9)

***BENEDICTION**

May the teachings of Jesus set you free from what burdens you, free to eat, drink and walk with Jesus wherever he may lead us.

POSTLUDE

Now the Joyful Celebration

(Toccata on the Hymn Tune Now)

Tune by Carl Schalk; Arranged by Robert Chamberlin



St. Paul Time & Talent Fair

Sunday, October 23, 2022

During Coffee Hour

YOU are an important piece in the work of the church!

Showcase your team's or organization's good works.

**This is a great opportunity to inform the congregation of your group's mission & activities,
and a good way to recruit new members.**

Your display may provide all necessary information or you may choose to have someone present at your display to answer questions. To ensure we have enough tables set up, please email Peggy Burke and let her know your team/group will participate: pegb64@gmail.com

Flowers, music and bulletin sponsorships are a lovely way to honor the memory, birthday or achievement of your loved one. To you can call the church office or write your information on the sign up sheet located on the bulletin board in the hallway outside the office. Cost is \$35.00.



This worship service is live streamed and recorded.

*Notes where to stand if comfortably able.

Liturgy from From Bread and Cup to Faith and giving written by Amanda Wagoner and Katherine Ball; Communion liturgy by Rev. Maren Tirabassi; Prayer of Thanksgiving by Rev. Michelle L. Torigian. Information about today's service: All St. Paul United Church of Christ services may be recorded and/or streamed. Music is used with permission through Onelicense.net License #A-715913, CCLI #1795791, St. James Press License #17755, or public domain.

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1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a
 2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he
 3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a

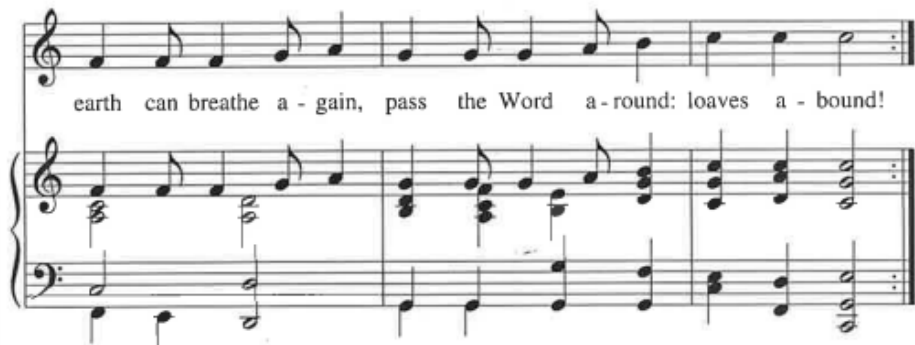
shout of joy: bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured,
 set the tone, teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless,
 world of doubt, gives us love to tell, bread to share:

Refrain
 Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
 love in word and in deed ex - press. Je - sus lives a - gain,
 God (Im - man - u - el) ev - ery - where!

WORDS: Fred Kaan (1929-)
 MUSIC: Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter (1925-1980)

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Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ, *continued*



News & Notes

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Informational meeting for the Usher Team and Welcome Team on Sunday, October 16th following worship service. Members are invited to get their breakfast plates and join in the new large meeting room across from the office. The Safety Team will be joining us.

Thank you!


**SHUFFLER'S CLUB**


Please join us on the
2nd Tuesday of every
month @ 1pm
in the Library at
St. Paul UCC






YOGA GOLD

COMING TO ST. PAUL UCC ON OCT. 31ST



Yoga Gold is a one-hour yoga class created specifically for active older adults looking to improve strength, flexibility and balance. Whether you are familiar with yoga or a beginner, you are welcome to join us on Mondays 10:30-11:30AM at St. Paul's UCC in Heritage Hall (115 W. B St, Belleville, IL 62220). Please bring a yoga mat and wear cozy clothes.



Weekly practice of yoga will improve the body's balance and performance. It will also relax and open the mind space. Yoga Gold is a great place to meet and make friends. Students should be able to get down on the floor and back up on their own.



Class drop-in rate is \$10. Class packages are 3/\$25 or 6/\$50 with no expiration date on the package. Yoga Gold is taught by Jessica Pollock, who owns The Yoga Connection 1103, LLC. For more information, contact Jessica at (618)920-0293.



For more information
call St. Clair County
Office on Aging:

Senior Pickle Ball

Pickle ball is a combination of tablet tennis, badminton and tennis. This sport is played on an indoor badminton court with a racquet and whiffle ball.

A low impact/ low risk activity:

Mondays & Wednesdays @ 9-11am,
Fridays 9:15-11:15

St Paul UCC ACTIVITY CENTER

SIGN UP SHEETS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE WELCOME CENTER!

ST. PAUL UCC
TRIVIA NIGHT

With Host Michael Wagner

Doors open 6:00pm
Questions start at 6:30pm

**Saturday,
Nov. 19th**

**St. Paul UCC
Activity Center**
115 W. B St.
Belleville, IL 62220

\$25
per person

Free Mulligans with
purchase of
table of 8 - \$200

Bring your own food and drinks of choice.

Table theme: Teams, Tunes, Tones, Talkies & TV
Prize for best dressed table/team!

Cash Prizes for 1st-3rd place.
Basket Raffle & 50/50

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

Who was the first Director of Christian Education and Music at our church?
When did this position originate?

This Week

Sundays

9am Traditional Worship
10am Coffee Hour after worship
Culinaire's Breakfast 3rd
Sunday of the month.

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

Karen Boesch

Lori Coleman

Carol Hotz

Shirley Martin

Marilyn

Dinkelmann

Debbie McIntyre,
daughter of Arline
Worms

Scott Schmidt,
brother of Steve
Schmidt

Mona McAllister

Brian Sample,
nephew of Kathy
Birkner

Christopher Mitchell

Otto Christopher
Kennedy, great
nephew of Scott &
Lana Gentry

Laura Howie,
daughter of Jeanette
& Elgee Phillips

Jane Rogers

Betty Ries

Ethel Klasing, aunt of
Jerry Pierce-Heisler

Colleen Igou, Roger
Henke's fiancé

Al Stahl

The family of Jack
Olsen



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Belleville, Illinois*



Watch videos on YouTube:
<https://www.youtube.com/>



ANSWER: Rev. Robert J. Herman, 1946

Weekly Attendance

9am September 11, 2022 72 + Online Participants September 12, 2021 72

Offering for 9/17/2022 - \$3,699.00

General Fund

Needed each week \$7,696

Giving to... \$278,155

Budget to... \$277,056

Total Budget \$400,199