



On Pentecost, they gathered. The Holy Spirit descended on them as of tongues of fire. And there was understanding! "The Silhouette in the Window"



**"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**

Sunday, June 8, 2025 ~ 9:00 am
Pentecost Sunday



TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Guest Pastor..... Rev. Diane C. Grohmann
Director of Music Dr. Tristan Frampton
Guest Pianist/Organist..... Lynda Marshall
Liturgist Karen Keuss

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision
Irish Melody
arr. Cindy Berry

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: This is the day of Pentecost. Today, we remember the first Pentecost when the Holy Spirit of God came upon people of all nations, tongues and races, enabling them to understand one another.

Many: We pray that it will be as before. Let us worship even as we experience God's Holy Spirit falling upon us.

INVOCATION (UNISON)

Come, Holy Spirit, move among us. Empower us to do your will in the world. God of Holy Fire, Powerful Wind, Redeeming Christ, inspire us to reveal your good news through our words and deeds. May we seek to build understanding among all your children. Hear our prayers. Amen



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*Notes where to stand if comfortably able.

***OPENING HYMN**

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

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Carl P. Daw, Jr., 1982

Ira. 38:14; Rom. 8:26; 12:4-5; John 15:1-5

The musical score is written for a single melodic line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (grand staff). The key signature has one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is simple and lyrical, with the piano accompaniment providing harmonic support through chords and moving lines in both hands.

1 Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the chal - lenge of her
 2 To the mem - bers of Christ's bod - y, to the branch-es of the
 3 With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the cease-less voice of

flight, like the vig - or of the wind's rush, like the
 Vine, to the church in faith as - sem - bled, to our
 prayer, with the power to love and wit - ness, with the

new flame's ea - ger might:
 midst as gift and sign: Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.
 peace be - yond com - pare:

***PRAYER OF REFLECTION (UNISON)**

God of Grace and Mercy, we seek your love revealed in times of crisis. Help us to live with compassion and empathy for those whose very lives are threatened by greed and a lust for power. As your Church, let us seek to build bridges in our relationships with others. Forgive us when we fall short of the future you intend for us as your children. By Your Spirit's Power, we pray. Amen

***ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

Be assured, Sisters and Brothers, God seeks to embrace us with love. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

ANTHEM

Spirit, Come Down
by Mark Hayes
Sanctuary Choir

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:1-21, Luke 13:18-19, Romans 8:14-17

Karen Keuss

SERMON

The Silhouette in the Window Rev. Diane C. Grohmann

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

Strengthen the Church

Peggy Burke

REFLECTION ON GIVING

COLLECTION OF THE GIFTS & OFFERTORY MUSIC

My Faith Looks Up to Thee
by Lowell Mason
arr. Brad Nix



***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)**

Gracious God, accept the gifts we bring that your Church may be known in many ways. By your Spirit, inspire us to speak your word of peace and justice. We are your children of all ages and we give you thanks. In the name of Jesus. Amen

***CLOSING HYMN** *Called as Partner's in Christ's Service* (See page 6)

***COMMISSIONING**

Children of God, we are the Church. Go forth today reminded that whatever crisis you may face along your journey of faith, you are surrounded by the love of God, blessed by the grace of Jesus Christ and sustained through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen

***BENEDICTION**

May God bless you and keep you.
May God's face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
May God look upon you with kindness and give you peace. Amen!

POSTLUDE

The Solid Rock
by William B. Bradbury
arr. Larry Shackley

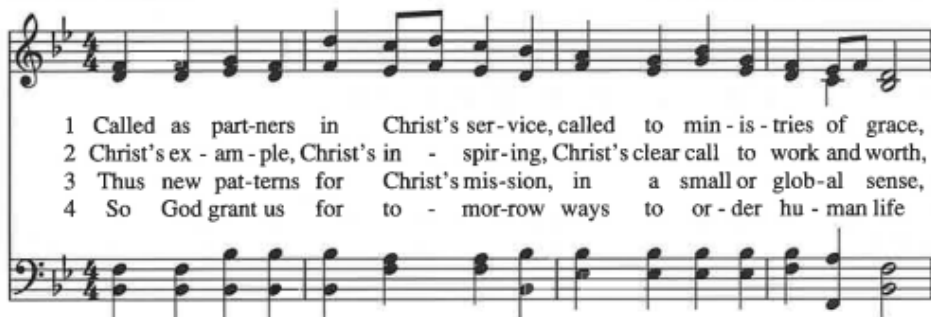
**Today's altar flowers are in
memory of Ken Nettleton for
Father's Day! by Ken Nettleton**

Called as Partners in Christ's Service


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Jane Parker Huber, 1981

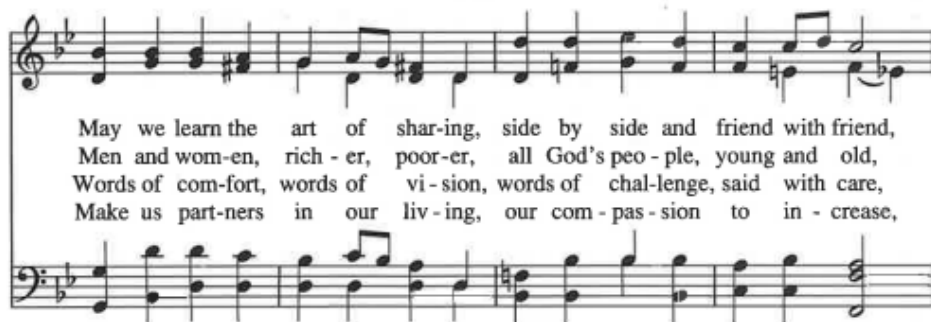
John 15:12-17; Gal. 6:2; Eph. 2:14-22



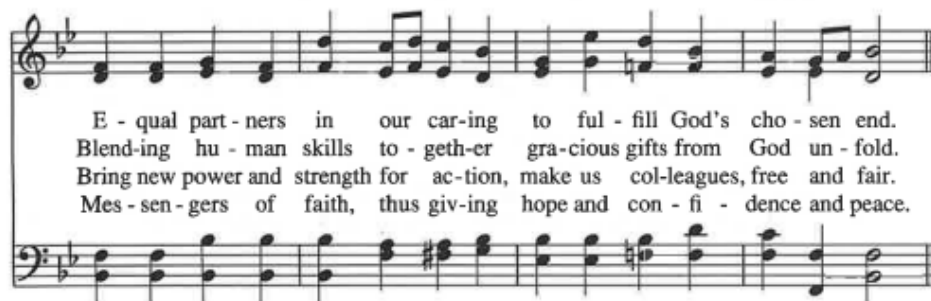
1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,
 2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
 3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,
 4 So God grant us for to-mor-row ways to or-der hu-man life



We re-pond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
 Let us fol-low, nev-er fal-tering, rec-on-cil-ing folk on earth.
 Help us bear each oth-er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.
 That sur-round each per-son's sor-row with a calm that con-quers strife.



May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,
 Men and wom-en, rich-er, poor-er, all God's peo-ple, young and old,
 Words of com-fort, words of vi-sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care,
 Make us part-ners in our liv-ing, our com-pas-sion to in-crease,



E-equal part-ners in our car-ing to ful-fill God's cho-sen end.
 Blend-ing hu-man skills to-geth-er gra-cious gifts from God un-fold.
 Bring new power and strength for ac-tion, make us col-leagues, free and fair.
 Mes-sen-gers of faith, thus giv-ing hope and con-fi-dence and peace.

Tune: BEECHER 8.7.8.7.D.
 John Zundel, 1855

Day Trip

TUESDAY, JUNE 17TH
9AM-RETURN BY 2PM

ALL ARE INVITED

Please join the Seekers bible study group for a fun day trip to the St. Louis Art Museum to explore religious works of art! Bring lunch money! We plan to eat at Panorama Restaurant!

Meet at St. Paul parking lot at 9 a.m. and we will carpool!
Email Susan Relfe at susanrelfe@outlook.com to rsvp or call the office 618-233-3303.

STARTING JUNE 10TH THE SHUFFLERS ARE RESHUFFLING!

Those who like to play cards and have good conversation, come on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1:00 p.m. to Pastor Kuether's house.

For directions,
call 618-616-0077.

PLEASE JOIN US . . .

CULINAIRES' Breakfast

SUNDAY
JUNE 22



A FREE WILL OFFERING IS SUGGESTED.

THE GREAT PUZZLE RACE

Wednesday, June 18th - 6:30-9:00PM

Cost is \$10 per person max of 4 people per table.

Attendance prizes and a prize for 1st and 2nd place winners.
Bring your own drinks and snacks popcorn will be provided.

Sponsored by St Paul UCC Mission and Christian Education Teams.

Profits will be used to support, St. Pauls UCC Community Dinner, Kindercottage, Hoyleton, Beacon Ministries, Dubois Center.

RSVP by mailing or dropping off a check or cash to the office!

115 W. B. St., Belleville, IL 62220

or Scan the Paypal QR Code
(put puzzle race in the memo)

618-233-3303 or email swilhelm@stpaulucc.org

Sign up
by
JUNE 9th



Griefworks

An LGBTQIA+
Grief Support Group

Announcing a new Grief Support Group For anyone (18+)
in the LGBTQIA+ Community
Who has experienced loss and is struggling with grief

Monday, May 19, 2025
6:30-8:00 pm
St. Paul UCC
115 West B Street
Belleville, IL 62220

(Use entrance under portico)



Meetings will be held monthly
on the 4th Monday of each month
Upcoming meetings: 6/23, 7/28, 8/25
(May meeting will be held on the 3rd Monday of the month
because of holiday weekend)

Contact griefworks2025@gmail.com for more information.

St. Paul UCC

MONDAY FUN-DAY

Our next Monday Fun-Day is June 23rd, from 6-8pm!

We hope to see you!!! Everyone is welcome!

Building a better community!

NO YOGA THIS MONTH ONLY!



Pickleball - \$5 (bring your own paddle & ball)



Board Games (bring your own or play Uno!)



**BRING YOUR
FRIENDS!!!**



115 W. B. St., Belleville

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For Your Prayers

Lori Coleman
 Carol Hotz
 Tim Ritter
 Wayne Caughman
 Tim Ritter Jr., son of Sandy &
 Tim Ritter
 Lou Ann Niemann

Debbie Price
 Christopher Mitchell
 Audrey Krummrich
 Ralph Eckart, brother in-law of
 Marlene Mueller
 Mike Llamas, brother in law of
 Mimi Llamas

Jennifer Wick, daughter of
 Stephenie Bauza
 Venita Jane Rogers
 Dorothy Maiworm
 Fred Hotz



Please call the church for prayer requests: 618-233-3303 stpaulucc.org

Weekly Offerings 5/31/2025

Operating	\$	10,085.10
Building Fund	\$	2,460.00

✓ \$ 12,545.10

Giving YTD \$ 169,747.35

Weekly Budget	\$	6,942.65
Budget to Date	\$	145,795.69
Total Budget	\$	361,017.89

Weekly Attendance - 9AM Service

May 25, 2025 83 + Online Participants

May 26, 2024 90 + Online Participants



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<https://www.youtube.com/>



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 are a lovely way to honor the memory,
 birthday or achievement of your loved one.
 To sign up, you can call the church office.
 Cost is \$35.00.