

Worship Leaders

JUNE 7- REV. JOAN H. MIER

JUNE 14 - CRAIG BIELKE

JUNE 21 - REV. JOAN H. MIER

JUNE 28 - CRAIG BIELKE



Weekly Offerings	5/9/2026	
Operating	\$	7,823.00
Building Fund	\$	35.00
	\$	7,858.00
Giving YTD	\$	146,017.76
Weekly Budget	\$	6,974.00
Budget to Date	\$	125,532.00
Total Budget	\$	362,648.00

Weekly Attendance - 9AM Service

May 3, 2026	93	+ Online Participants
May 4, 2025	107	+ Online Participants



St. Paul Fine Arts presents . . .



Sunday, May 31st @ 2pm



A free will offering is greatly appreciated.

For Your Prayers

Carol Hotz & Fred Hotz
 The Ritter family, Tim, Sandy & Tim Jr.
 Lou Ann Niemann
 Al Stahl
 Audrey Krummrich
 Laura Sadler
 Alec Zaber
 Jane Bonaldi
 Ruth Klingel
 Cathy Blaies and family (Mike's sister)
 Our Pastor Search Committee

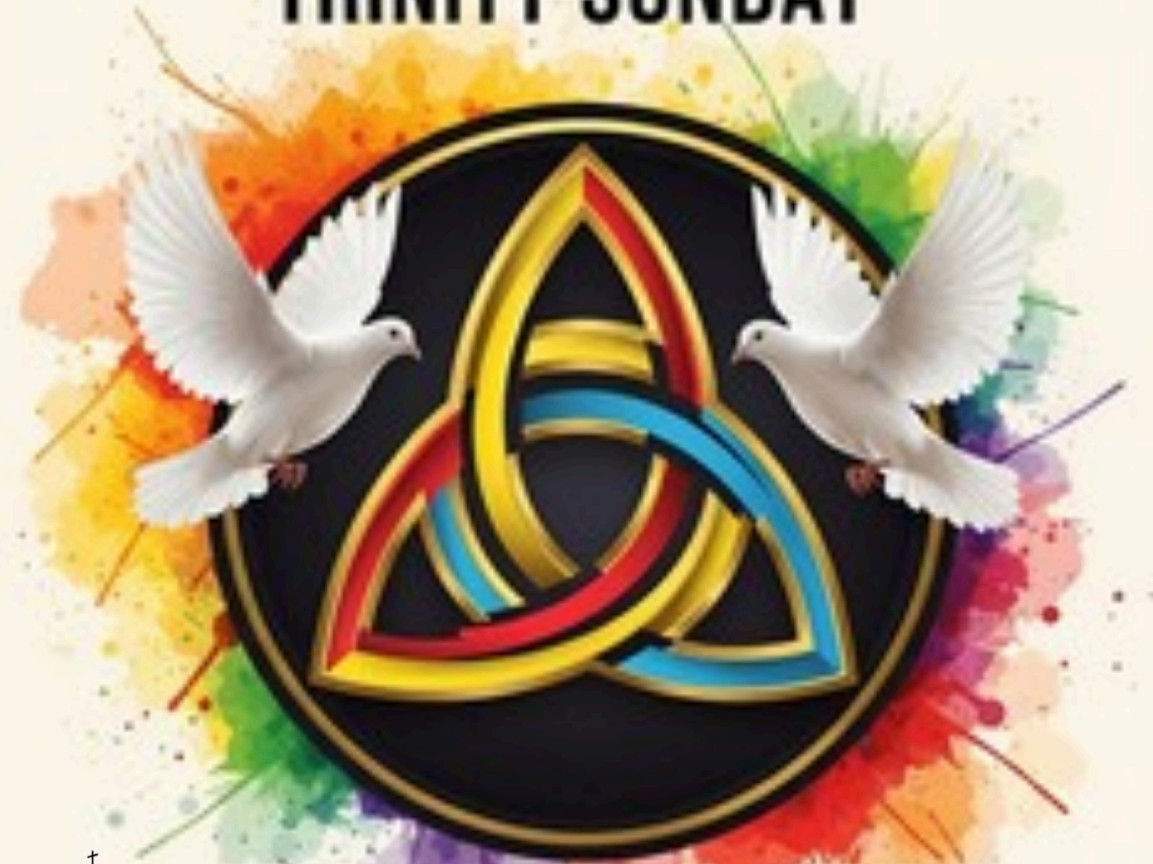


Please call the office for prayer requests. 618-233-3303

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St. Paul UCC

TRINITY SUNDAY



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Welcome

Sunday, May 31, 2026 ~ 9am
Trinity Sunday - First Sunday after Pentecost

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Lay Leader	Craig Bielke
Director of Music	Dr. Tristan Frampton
Organist	Cynthia Johnson
Liturgist	Donna Davis

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Morning Has Broken
Tune: Bunessan, arr. Neil Maxey

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

We come to praise the Triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!
We praise God who creates, redeems, and sustains all creation!
We come to wade into the depths of the divine mystery of God, the One-in-Three and Three-in-One.

We seek an ever-deepening faith in God who creates, redeems, and sustains all creation!

Come, let us worship the Triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!
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*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Out of our ordinary, everyday lives, you have gathered us here, Holy God. We join with all creation and all the company of the saints to bless you and to listen for your Word. Open our hearts and our minds to your presence with us. Awaken us to your Holy Spirit who is making all things new, even us. We ask in Jesus' name, who sends us out to speak love and mercy and grace to those who are waiting, hoping, for a sign. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE



You are invited to join us as we say farewell to **Patrick Kinney** and thank him for his contribution and dedication to the St. Paul facility, congregation, teams and staff.



WHEN: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3 @ 5:30PM

WHERE: TAVERN ON MAIN

COST: \$20 PER PERSON

(INCLUDES PIZZA & SALAD BUFFET)



→ PLEASE PRE-PAY AND RSVP TO THE OFFICE BY JUNE 1ST



Please stop by the Welcome Center today and pick up your Firecracker raffle tickets!

The drawing is July 2! Extra copies are available!

SHRINERS PARADE

JUNE 5, 2026

PARADE WALKERS & RIDERS NEEDED TO HAND OUT BEADS! FUN EVENING OF COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP REPRESENTING ST PAUL!

St. Paul United Church of Christ
115 West 8 Street, Belleville, IL
www.stpaulucc.org

THE GREAT PUZZLE RACE

Thursday, June 25th - 6:30-9:00PM

Be a puzzle sponsor for \$15! **Deadline to sign up is June 12th!** **Families are welcome!**

Cost is \$10 per person (\$5 for ages 6-11) 2-4 people per table

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

Sponsored by St Paul UCC Mission and Christian Education teams.
All proceeds will be donated to Beacon who provides low income people in need of furniture and household goods for a new beginning.

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

Flowers, Music and Bulletin sponsorships are a lovely way to honor the memory, birthday or achievement of your loved one. To sign up, you can call or email the church office. 618-233-3303 ~ swilhelm@stpaulucc.org Cost is \$35.00.

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing 748

D G D/F# D D/F# G D/F# D A/C# D Esus/B E/B A D

1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing; fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's

A/E E7 A D G D/F# D D/F# G D/F# D

joy and peace; let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound; may the fruits of your sal - va - tion

A/C# D Esus/B E/B A D A/E E7 A Em A7/C#

tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace; O di - rect us
in our hearts and lives a - bound; ev - er faith - ful,

D D/F# A/G D/F# G D/F# Em7 D/F# Em/G A Em/A A7 D

and pro - tect us trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.

WORDS: Attr. John Fawcett (1740-1817)
MUSIC: Sicilian melody, 18th c.

SICILIAN MARINERS
8.7.8.7.8.7.

OPENING HYMN

GOD OF LOVE & MERCY

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee 59

G G/D D7 G/D C G/B D7/A G G/D D

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,
4 Mor - tals, join the hap - py cho - rus which the morn - ing stars be - gan;

G C/G G7 C# Am/C G/C Am/C G/D D7 G/D D7 G

hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, open - ing to the sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean depth of hap - py rest!
love di - vine is reign - ing o'er us, join - ing all with - in its span.

D G/D D7 G/D D7 B/D# B7 Em A7 D

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the dark of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - ery mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Broth - er— all who live in love are thine;
Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, vic - tors in the midst of strife;

G C/G G7 C# Am/C G/C Am/C G/D D7 G D7 G

giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day!
chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine.
joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward in the tri - umph song of life.

WORDS: Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933)
MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

HYMN TO JOY
8.7.8.7.D.

CALL TO AND UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy One, we acknowledge that too often we try to live not acknowledging the mystery of your Being. Even though you have shown us your truth, we allow ourselves to rest in our own uncertainties. We find ourselves unable or unwilling to embrace the love through which you sent Christ to live among us. We take for granted the grandeur of you as Creator, Redeemer, and ever-present Sustainer. We do not live out the beloved community you desire for all. Forgive us, we pray, and help us give testimony to your love.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION WORDS OF ASSURANCE

We trust in these promises: that the Triune God, in each of its persons, promises us newness of life, a gift of new birth. The Divine Trinity invites us to testify to its Being as the foundation for reconciliation of all of God’s people and for Creation. In these truths, we trust. We give thanks. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

SPECIAL MUSIC

I Saw the Light
arr. Anita Kerr

Tristan Frampton, Bill Guthrie, and Stephen Schmidt, soloists

SCRIPTURES

Genesis 1:1-2:4a and Matthew 28:16-20 Donna Davis

SERMON

Craig Bielke

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE 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.

RECEIVING OF THE GIFTS AND OFFERTORY MUSIC

Three Organ Preludes, No. 1
by T. Frederick H. Candlyn

***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

DEDICATION PRAYER

Creating God, from the beginning, you formed light out of darkness, breath from dust, and life from love. In Christ, you walked among us, and through your Spirit, you empower us still. Today, we offer our gifts as signs of our desire to partner with you in your ongoing work of creation, healing, and discipleship. Use these offerings to build communities of compassion, to welcome the stranger, and to teach your ways of justice and joy. May our giving reflect the wonder of your Triune love and our willingness to go and grow disciples in your name. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**


Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing

(see page 6)


COMMISSIONING + CHARGE + BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Lobe den Herren
from Erneuertem Gesangbuch
arr. Douglas Wagner



GRADUATE RECOGNITION



We would like to recognize our St. Paul Family graduates on June 14. Please fill in the following information and place it in the offering plate or give it to Sherry in the office by June 8.

GRADUATE NAME: _____

SCHOOL _____ DEGREE _____