St. Paul United Church of Christ



Sundays - 9am

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Our St. Paul



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November 2026

Your St. Paul Staff

Rev. Joan H. Mier, Supply Pastor
Dr. Tristan Frampton, Director of Music
Cynthia Johnson, Organist
Sherry Wilhelm, Office Manager
Kathy Buehler, Bookkeeper
Mike Blaies, Facility Manager
Evan Wilhelm, Support Staff

ST. PAUL UCC OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday
8:30am-4pm

Friday
9am-12pm

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Welcome To The Team

Mike Blaies, Facilities Manager



I am Mike Blaies and have lived in the area my entire adult life. I am married with three grown children and three grandchildren. I look forward to serving this congregation and helping anyway I can.

November

Worship Leaders

Nov. 1 - Rev. Joan H. Mier
Nov. 8 - Rev. Joan H. Mier
Nov. 15 - Craig Bielke
Nov. 22 - The Rev. Jeremy Lopez
Nov. 29 - Craig Bielke

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Material for inclusion may be sent to the church noted for **Our St. Paul.** swilhelm@stpaulucc.org or call the office.
Next issue: December – Deadline to submit information: November 20th.

REVENUE	2026 Final Budget	2026 Sept Actuals	YTD Actuals	% of Budget
130100 - Congregational Offerings	$352,648.00	$30,407.21	$283,321.88	80.34%
130104 - Fund Raising Events*	$4,000.00	$400.00	$1,347.00	33.68%
130105 - Rental Income-205 W B St.	$15,120.00	$2,620.00	$11,540.00	76.32%
130500 - Building Fund	$10,000.00	$379.00	$2,164.00	21.64%
130741-BASSC Utilities	$6,900.00	$850.78	$4,436.71	64.30%
1302xx - Outreach (Various Missions #)	$0.00	$225.00	$4,602.00	N/A
130323 - Bank/Paypal Revenue	$0.00	$0.00	$34.11	#DIV/0!
131100 - Memorials	$8,000.00	$5,050.00	$8,060.00	100.75%
131200 - Bequests	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	N/A
131300 - Building Income	$6,000.00	$0.00	$2,568.00	42.80%
131400 - Pastoral Honorarium	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	#DIV/0!
131499 - Pastoral Expense Revenue	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	N/A
131500 - Investment Income /Michelson Income	$28,400.00	$14,910.00	$29,820.00	105.00%
131600 - Distribution from Endowment (Per Guidelines)	$171,710.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
131650 - Distribution from Endowment (Cap. Exp.)	$10,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%
131900 - Other Income	$0.00	$0.00	$15,011.74	#DIV/0!
Total Operating Revenues	**$612,778.00**	**$54,841.99**	**$362,905.44**	59.22%
Team Revenues	$4,677.27	$215.91	$3,025.09	64.68%
Capital Expenses				
Grand Total	**$617,455.27**	**$55,057.90**	**$365,930.53**	59.26%
EXPENSES				
Personnel Expenses	($357,080.60)	($17,740.17)	($157,206.98)	44.03%
Administrative Support (formerly Operating Expenses)	($36,643.47)	($2,627.61)	($28,745.59)	78.45%
Outreach (formerly Mission board)	($9,500.00)	($950.00)	($4,272.22)	44.97%
Education	($1,500.00)	$0.00	($181.39)	12.09%
Stewardship	($1,200.00)	($243.86)	($915.56)	76.30%
Property	($193,631.20)	($15,336.42)	($172,484.69)	89.08%
Board)	($15,900.00)	($428.70)	($5,905.86)	37.14%
General Fund	(2,000.00)	-	$0.00	N/A
Total Operating Expense	**($617,455.27)**	**($37,326.76)**	**($369,712.29)**	59.88%
Difference between Revenue & Expenses	**$0.00**	**$17,731.14**	($3,781.76)	

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

Oct-26 9am 334 + Online Oct-25 9am 369 + Online
Oct-26 All Gifts: $33,315.62 Oct-25 All Gifts: $43,375.70

MEMORIALS & GIFTS

ST. PAUL CHURCH GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGES
YOUR GENEROSITY.
TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

IMO of Marilee Black
by Kent Black

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.

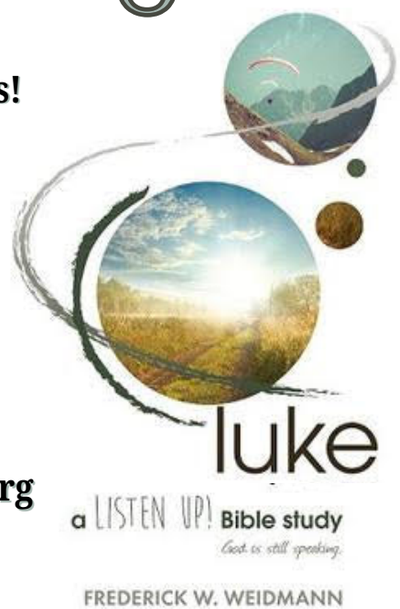
SEEKERS BIBLE STUDY

All are welcome - please join us!

Topic: Luke: Part 1 and Part 2

Time: 10 a.m.
Meeting place:
St. Paul UCC-Library
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Greetings St. Paul,

How can it be November? Another year is winding down. The cooler days, longer nights, and holiday season are approaching. This time of year is one of remembering, giving thanks, and celebrating. It is a season for sharing time with family and friends in our homes and in our church as well.

We begin the month on All Saints Day, November 1, as we mark our annual Totenfest and honor those who have gone before us. This gives us pause to remember those who made sure that we knew of God's love and gave us the gift of faith and this faith family. They are indeed that "great a cloud of witnesses" who remind us not only of what they left but our responsibility to lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and...run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith" (Hebrews 12:1-2a). We honor the saints best when we carry on the mission and ministry they so loved. This is not an attempt to indulge in mere nostalgia or to recreate some distant past, but, instead, engage in a new and vital ministry for our time and into the future.

We also mark a season of stewardship, during which we honor the legacy and current, vital ministry of St. Paul by committing our time, talent, and treasure to our shared ministry to our neighbors. Consider your commitment to sharing the Way of Jesus in this faith community and give accordingly to the glory of God. Our focus is on the ways in which we share and experience generosity. Take the 30-Day Generosity Challenge and share in writing a "Gift of Generosity" slip during worship service.

The month concludes with the annual feast of Thanksgiving. With gratitude, we will be moving into our next phase of congregational life as we move toward a new pastorate at St. Paul. Opportunities abound for you to invite someone who needs a caring, Christian community to worship, for coffee in Heritage Hall, to study the Bible, to serve others, and be in community. Let us run the race faithfully–together.

Take a look at what is happening at St. Paul in November and share it!

Peace.



Bylaws Discussion Sessions

The President and Bylaws Team chair would like to review the proposed Bylaws changes with you prior to the December congregational meeting. The optional discussion sessions are scheduled for November 15th and 22nd. The same material will be covered in both sessions. The main focus for these sessions will be the proposed changes to the Council.

If you have any questions before the sessions, please contact Roger Harris. rharris2325@gmail.com or 618-631-4502

Totenfest

November 1, 2026
9:00 a.m.



SAVE THE DATE!

November 1st (during coffee hour)
Make a Difference in Your Community
Help us assemble disaster relief packs for women affected by emergencies and natural disasters. Together, we can provide comfort, care, and hope.

FREE!

MONDAY FUN-DAY!

4th Monday of every month!

BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

Chair Yoga 6-6:30pm ~ Yoga 6:30-7pm ~ Pickleball 6-8pm

St. Paul UCC - 115 W. B. Street, Belleville (Enter on 2nd St. at the Activity Center door! 618-233-3303

A free will offering is happily accepted.

PROST!

POLKAS, PRETZELS & PFEFFERNUSSE

Join us for a St. Paul Fine Arts Fundraiser
Sunday, November 15 @ 3 p.m. in Heritage Hall for an afternoon of German dancing, singing and music!

Fine Arts German Concert

Your $30 reservation includes:
appetizers, beer, wine, soft drinks and a concert.
Scan the QR code to purchase tickets.



SIGN-UP IN THE WELCOME CENTER
ON SUNDAY MORNINGS OR THROUGH THE CHURCH OFFICE.

Payment is appreciated with your reservation.

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St. Paul Women's Guild

Please join us at our next meeting to see what we're all about! All ladies are welcome!

We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month @ 1:00 pm!

We help support the community and other missions with proceeds from our Rummage and Bake Sales!



Treat yourself to an afternoon out with old friends & maybe make a new friend. We'd love to have you join us!

Refreshments ~ Fellowship ~ Fun

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

TTHE EMERGENCY WEATHER OVERNIGHT CENTER PROGRAMIS OPENING A WARMING CENTER AT THE MCCORMICK CENTER FOR THE PATRONS IN NEED. ST PAUL UCC, OTHER CHURCHES AND ORGANIZATIONS HAVE BEEN INVITED TO ASSIST IN THIS MUCH NEEDED SERVICE.

ST PAUL WILL HOST AN INFORMATIONAL MEETING ON

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18 @ 6PM

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

FOR QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED TO VOLUNTEER. SO PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR TO ATTEND. REMEMBER THIS IS OUR COMMUNITY SO PLEASE INVITE FRIENDS, FAMILY, OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND CHURCHES TO ATTEND TO MAKE THIS ENDEAVOUR A SUCCESS. BECOME A CHAIN LINK TO HELP OTHERS.

QUESTIONS? FEEL FREE TO CALL
SANDY RITTER 618-444-5824.
HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE! THANK YOU!



MATS FOR COMMUNITY COMFORT

Please join us!

We could use your help to make mats from plastic bags for people in need!

3rd Tuesday of every month from 1-3pm!

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If you're looking for something to read, check out the St. Paul Library. We have a large collection of books on many subjects, both nonfiction and fiction. We also have a small selection of audiobooks and DVDs, as well as many jigsaw puzzles. You can see a sample of the collection on the cart in the welcome center, or stop in to the library in the main hallway.
Check outs and returns are easy, and there are no late fees!

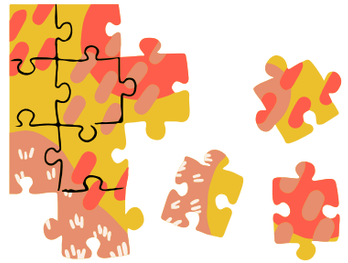
KINDERCOTTAGE

MISSION TEAM IS COLLECTING ITEMS:
Toddler sized gloves, hats, socks & undies for ages 1-5 years old!

Please bring your donations to the church office or drop them off on Sundays in the x-mas wrapped boxes located in the Welcome Center.
from October 18 - November 16th

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STOP BY THE LIBRARY
PUZZLE EXCHANGE!
NEW FALL & WINTER PUZZLES ARE NOW AVAILABLE!



Electronics Recycling Day!

St. Paul UCC - Belleville
November 14 - 9am-12pm

- MICROWAVES, WASHERS, DRYERS, HUMIDIFIERS, FRIDGES, FREEZERS, TOASTERS, COFFEE MACHINES, POTS AND PANS, SILVERWARE, LAWN MOWERS, PUSH MOWERS, AC UNITS, LEAF BLOWERS, WEED EATERS,
- COMPUTERS, PRINTERS, SHREDDERS, SPEAKER SYSTEMS, STEREOS, CELL PHONES, HOUSE PHONES, OFFICE PHONES, CARD READERS, DOCKING STATIONS, PROJECTORS, BATTERY BACKUPS,
- WIRES, XMAS WIRE, CAR BATTERIES, HOUSEHOLD ITEM BATTERIES
- TV RECYCLING, FLAT LED TVS ARE NO CHARGE, TUBE TVS, PLASMAS, PROJECTOR DLP TVS ARE CHARGE ITEMS .45 CENTS PER POUND IN THE SHOP .50 CENTS PER POUND PICKED UP.
- COMPUTER RECYCLING WE DO PROVIDE HARD DRIVE DESTRUCTION CERTIFICATES WHEN ASKED ABOUT
- ALL HARD DRIVES ARE DESTROYED AS UNLOADED AT THE SHOP SO YOUR DATA IS DESTROYED AND CANNOT BE USED IN ANYWAY.

115 W. B. Street, Belleville, IL 62220 - St. Paul UCC parking lot!



November



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 **9am-Worship** 10am-coffee	2 **6pm Confirmation Class**	3 9am-Quilters 10am-Seekers 5pm-Community Dinner	4 1pm-WIth You 6pm-Bells 7:15-Choir	5	6	7
8 **9am-Worship** 10am-coffee 10am-Mission	9 **6pm Confirmation Class**	10 9am-Quilters 10am-Seekers 5pm-Community Dinner	11 VETERANS DAY 6pm-Bells 7:15-Choir	12 **7pm-Personnel Mtg.**	13	14 **Electronics Recycling 9am-12pm**
15 **9am-Worship** 10am-coffee 10am-Mission **3pm Fine Arts German Concert**	16 **6pm Confirmation Class**	17 9am-Quilters 10am-Seekers 1pm-Mats 5pm-Community Dinner	18 1pm-Women's Guild 6pm-volunteer meetting 6pm-Bells 7:15-Choir	19 **6pm-Council Mtg.**	20	21
22 **9am-Worship** 10am-coffee	23 **6pm Confirmation Class** **6pm Monday Funday**	24 9am-Quilters 10am-Seekers 5pm-Community Dinner	25 6pm-Bells 7:15-Choir	26 Happy Thanksgiving **St. Paul UCC Closed**	27	28
29 **Advent Begins** **9am-Worship** 10am-coffee	30 **6pm Confirmation Class**					

happy Birthday

11/2-Janice Martin
11/3-Ruth Klingel
11/3-Billie McLemore
11/3-Al Stahl
11/6-Stephen Skelton
11/7-William Mentzer
11/7-Tristan Frampton
11/12-Amy Drake
11/12-Ricky Morton
11/12-Sonja Myland
11/13-Kent Black
11/16-MaryAnn Gain
11/18-Jim Thomas
11/19-Dorothy Maiworm
11/22-Betty Leppard
11/25-Jeanine Guthrie
11/26-Nathan Smith
11/28-Sandy Kramer
11/29-Lisa Hudnall
11/29-Joyce Maurer
11/29-Al Bettis
11/30-Al Scharf
11/30-Diana Trickey

HAPPY Anniversary

11/28-Paul & Sue Sutherland

For Your Prayers

May God watch over these church members and friends, bringing them peace, comfort, strength, and healing wherever it's needed. May they feel His presence in their hearts, be uplifted in spirit, and surrounded by love and support.

Carol Hotz & Fred Hotz
The Ritter family, Tim, Sandy & Tim Jr.
Lou Ann Niemann
Al Stahl
Laura Sadler
Alec Zaber
Jane Bonaldi
Paul Sutherland
Our Pastor Search Committee
Cathy Blaies and family (Mike's sister)
Sylvia, sister of Luci Bradley
Rich Wilburn and his family, son-in-law of Stephenie Bauza
Stephen Agnew, son of Carolyn Hazelip
Gay Eckert
Larry Walton
Jane Peters, sister of Jerry Pierce
Bette Ettling
The Gentry family
Wes Krummrich
Daniel Holtzclaw, friend of the Birkners
Gerry Hough
Stephen Schmidt
Dolly Kirsch
JoAnn Elmore

Please call the office for prayer requests.
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