



The Scribe

St. Paul UCC

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June 2026

Pastor's Pen.....

The month of June is named after the Roman goddess Juno, who is the goddess of marriage, fertility, and childbirth. Now, before we go any further, I just want everyone to know that I mention this only from a *historical* perspective -- not a religious one. The early Romans influenced a lot of things, including our calendar, so it bears mentioning how June got its name.

For those of us who take seriously the Ten Commandments, we obviously can't give any credence to a Roman goddess. But it does, however, underscore the idea that the month itself just radiates birth, renewal, and life! Everything is in full bloom, and the beauty of God's created order is on full display. The transition from the cold, hard tundra in winter's deadness gives way to the soft, warm soil in which we dig our gardens. June's explosion of life, itself, bears witness to God's promise of the resurrection, and our reasonable hope that death doesn't have the last word.

I know that a few of you will be heading up north of the cheddar curtain. And a couple of you will venture even further north than that, all the way into moose country. Still, others of you will be heading west of the Mississippi, and some others perhaps to the Buckeye state. (*I don't think that Florida gets a lot of takers at this time of year.*) During your travels, I hope that you will find a house of worship to visit. And for those of you who remain here in the area, I would encourage you to keep coming to Sunday morning worship at St. Paul. The God Who made the heavens and the earth is our reason for gathering here each Sunday!

Wherever your summer plans take you, may the Author and Giver of Life go with you!

David



Pastoral visitation is available to those who are hospitalized, temporarily laid up at home, or going through rehab at a facility. Because hospitals and other institutions do not notify the church when a patient is admitted, we need for you or your family member to notify us. We will be more than happy to accommodate your request for pastoral care. Please note also that the pastor may be reached for emergencies at [\(224\) 386-6285](tel:2243866285) (cell phone).

Pastor David's procedure in visiting St. Paul's shut-ins, as well as, those members who have a difficult time getting to church is to offer support, bring Holy Communion (their option) and to let them know we journey together in worship. Pastor David understands that scheduling may depend on frequency of doctor's appointments or the church member's schedule. Visitation is always available, however, as the shut-in member's health and life situation may change and more extensive pastoral care is needed. Any church member or their family member desiring more frequent pastoral visitation, or to be placed on the visitation list in the first place should contact the church office at [\(847\)-358-0399](tel:8473580399) to make arrangements.

"Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord." (James 5:14)



Do you have an idea, a question, a comment, or a concern that you would like for Pastor David to know about? You have a couple of options available to you.

First, you may speak directly with the pastor. Our pastor is here for ALL of St. Paul's members and he welcomes communication from ALL members. If you aren't comfortable in speaking directly with the pastor, however, then your second option is to go through the Pastoral Relations Committee.

Their purpose is to foster good relations between pastor and parish through open and thoughtful communication.

St. Paul's Pastoral Relations Committee members are: Debbie Everett (Chair); Tom Donat, Jim Frost, and Bob Kolze.



If you want the Care team to be aware of any joys, concerns (such as procedures) or prayers....please contact

Debbie Brennan at the church office or Pastor David

If you call out of office hours or there is no answer, please leave a message & phone number where you can be reached, and one of us will return your call.

Thank you so much...



JUNE BIRTHDAYS	
Ron Bochat	6/1
Maria O'Brien	6/5
James Schimka	6/8
Charlotte Doktor	6/8
Tom Donat	6/16
Gary Altergott	6/19
Tracy Kerlin	6/20
Ralph Hayford	6/23
Lisa Kennelly	6/29

MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS

Gary Altergott



Happy Father's Day

Silent, Strong Dad

He never looks for praises
 He's never one to boast.
 He just goes on quietly working
 for those he loves the most.
 His dreams are seldom spoken.
 His wants are very few,
 And most of the time his worries
 Will go unspoken, too.
 He's there a firm foundation
 Through all our storms of life,
 A sturdy hand to hold onto
 In times of stress and strife.
 A true friend we can turn to
 When times are good or bad.
 One of our greatest Blessings,
 The man that we call Dad.

Karen Boyer

All men in the congregation will receive a special treat as we cherish and honor our Fathers on this special day from the Health Committee and baked by our wonderful church baker, Mary Faust.



St. Paul members may now request prayers for themselves, their family, and their friends through our St. Paul Emergency Prayer Request Team.

Contact Kim Cichon at (847)308-0602 or kimmy4443@gmail.com at any time of day or night with the name of the person in need of prayer and a brief description of the situation, and an email blast will be sent out to our prayer team as soon as possible.

Please contact Kim with questions.

Thank you!



The St. Paul Prayer Team is happy to announce that we are starting a **Prayer Support Group** for church members and friends beginning on June 7.

Why: To share joys and concerns in a caring and supportive environment and further support others through active listening and prayer

When: 11:30 A. M. – 12:30 P. M. on the first and third Sundays of each month

Where: St. Paul Church in the Gumm Library
Please sign up on the sheet near the east entrance.

Please see Kim Cichon if you have questions.



Thank you to everyone who sent a card, text or called after my wrist surgery.

Your thoughtfulness has helped to keep my spirits up.
Karen



Phillip Arnold
The Altergotts
Sharon Khan
Sue & Mike Kulcson
Kim Cichon
Bob and Pat Kolze

Beverly Enockson
Linn Enockson

FINANCIAL UPDATE AS OF April 2026

	2026 BUDGET (ANNUAL)	ACTUALS	
		Month of April	Year to Date
INCOME	\$279,656.00	\$9,886.31	\$75,436.98
EXPENSES	\$276,418.00	\$24,033.05	\$96,634.81
NET	\$3,238.00	-\$14,146.74	-\$21,197.83

Some members are using Zelle, you can too!!

Scan the QR code or on your Zelle account enter in the email for giving.

Zelle: giving@st-paul.org





MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



4th of July Church Picnic Mark Your Calendar

The 4th of July church picnic will take place on Friday, **July 3rd starting at 5:00 P. M.** which coincides with the fireworks. The sign up to attend as well as food donation will be posted shortly in Fellowship Hall.

Adult through age 12 - \$10.00
Children age 11 through 3 - \$4.00
Children under age 3 - Free

Sign up and money will be due by **Sunday June 28th**. If you are writing a check, please write July picnic in the check's memo section. The money can be turned in directly to the office or given to Debbie Everett.

Please keep an eye out for more information.

September 13th will be Rally Day and Picnic after service

**Ladie's Tea will be
September 19th at
11:30 A. M.**

More information to come!!

Possible Rummage Sale

Are you interested to see St. Paul holding another rummage sale? Well, you may be in luck! Initial discussions have taken place to possibly hold a rummage sale on **Saturday, October 17th**.

However, first we need to take a poll on two very important questions. The poll results will determine if the rummage sale will be held.

Two simple questions will be asked.

- #1 Donation of your time
 - A. Will you be able to help with setting up for the sale (sorting, pricing and layout) the week of October 12th?
 - B. Will you be able to help at the sale and clean up on Saturday, October 17th?
- #2 Do you have a sufficient amount of items to sell at the rummage sale?

Please watch the east entrance bulletin board for the rummage sale poll expected to be posted by mid June through July. You may also call the church office to provide your answers to the poll.

The Spiritual Life Board will make a final decision if the rummage sale plans proceed at the August's Spiritual Life Board meeting on August 5th.



HEALTH AND WELLNESS

We are very blessed to live in an area that provides lots of opportunities for senior citizens. The health committee will be posting

information that might be of interest to you from the Palatine Senior Center and the Arlington Heights Senior Center.

Check our bulletin board to see upcoming events for both facilities.

Many of the events are free but do require registration. Consider taking advantage of these wonderful places.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE HYMN?



FAVORITE HYMNS SURVEY

Some of you have let me know what a few of your favorite hymns are which has prompted me to conduct a survey of St. Paul favorite hymns.

How can you let me know which ones you love? Grab a form at church and deposit it in the box by the East Entrance, OR email me at musicleader26@gmail.com. You may list as many as you like, just be sure they are church-related songs. They can be from other resources besides the hymnals and songbooks located in the sanctuary.

The results will be announced during Sunday morning services in September.

So ... you've got 3 months to make your faves known and be a part of influencing the hymns that are chosen for our services!

Thank you for participating - I look forward to hearing from all of you!

Michelle Nunez

Blanket Tying:



Thank you to all who have helped with blanket tying over the past year. We have made tremendous progress and enjoyed a lot of fellowship.

Unfortunately, the Shelter who will receive these blankets is not yet open. As of now, we have not heard of their opening date. Due to everyone's busy summer schedules, we are going to take the summer months off and give our hands a rest from all of the cutting and tying. We do have approximately 12 more blankets to make.

Due to our potential rummage sale on the 3rd Saturday in October, we will push the **October blanket tying to start up again on Saturday, October 24th at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**



Brainstorming Meeting Update

The Spiritual Life Board would like to update the St. Paul members about what we've been working on since our Brainstorming meeting last fall. We looked at the top "dot-earning" ideas where members voted for the areas we could make some positive changes. Those areas included forming a Christian Education Committee, continuing social events held at church, looking into getting an electric sign with creative slogan, and having community dinners.

A Christian Education Committee is a top priority. Linda Hayford and Mary Doktor are still looking for others interested in joining this committee. They will be discussing curriculum and programs, looking for others willing to help with the children, and ways to get new families and more children involved.

The social events have continued as requested. In recent months, there has been line dancing, Bingo, Trivia night, and back by popular demand, Bingo again. Most recently, there was an outing planned to Kolze's Corner Gardens in Woodstock with lunch at Jameson's in Crystal Lake.

Building and Grounds has looked into the logistics of getting an electric sign for out front. They have met with village leaders to get information about feasibility, location, and extra requirements, and they have spoken with a sign company to investigate cost, etc. We believe that getting an electric sign is not a feasible step at this time.

We were hoping to combine some of the categories, where possible, so Community Outreach looked into getting local high schoolers in to have a jazz night and **community dinner** here. While that did not pan out, there are considerations for working with local establishments such as Photos or Lou Malnati's to fundraise and bring ordered meals to the Park District band shell when the concerts start up again this summer.

While those listed above were the top dot-earning ideas, we have also looked at achieving other topics listed, too. We have also created the **St. Paul Prayer Team** that has started an **Emergency Prayer Request Team** and the **Prayer Support Group**. We are still looking at further enhancing our spiritual lives by adding in periodic gatherings to learn more about prayer, and Pastor David is planning an **Adult Education** opportunity regarding **The Lord's Prayer**.

The **4th of July Team** is planning to have a couple of **cornhole / Baggo games** available on the east lawn for St. Paul family, friends, and **community members** on July 3rd. Other ideas were tossed around, too, but were not cost-efficient.

As we continue to work on the member-prioritized items on the list, we will continue to revisit and investigate other ideas from the Brainstorming lists, as well, as time allows. Also, if you have any other ideas, please bring those forth to Kim Cichon or Debbie Everett. Finally, please contact one of us if you would like to assist with any of the projects listed above.

Thank you!



Upcoming Free Concerts (Fred P. Hall Amphitheater) palatineparkfoundation.org

- **June 5, 2026** – *Billy Elton* (7:30 pm–9:00 pm)
- **June 10, 2026** – *Palatine Concert Band* (7:30 pm–8:30 pm)
- **June 12, 2026** – *Anchors Away* (7:30 pm–9:00 pm)
- **June 16, 2026** – *Jason Kollum* (12:00 pm–1:00 pm)
- **June 18, 2026** – *County Line String Band* (6:30 pm–7:30 pm, Towne Square)
- **June 19, 2026** – *American English* (7:30 pm–9:00 pm)
- **June 24, 2026** – *Palatine Concert Band* (7:30 pm–8:30 pm)
- **June 25, 2026** – *Outdoor Movie Night: Zootopia 2* (7:30 pm–9:00 pm)
- **June 26, 2026** – *Feel Good Party Band* (7:30 pm–9:00 pm)
- **July 7, 2026** – *Ben Tatar* (12:00 pm–1:00 pm)
- **July 8, 2026** – *So You Think You've Got Talent?* (7:00 pm–9:00 pm)
- **July 10, 2026** – *The Fortunate Sons* (7:30 pm–9:00 pm)
- **July 15, 2026** – *Palatine Concert Band* (7:30 pm–8:30 pm)
- **July 16, 2026** – *Palatine Children's Chorus* (6:30 pm–7:30 pm, Cutting Hall)
- **July 17, 2026** – *Heartache Tonight* (7:30 pm–9:00 pm)
- **July 21, 2026** – *Wendy and DB* (12:00 pm–1:00 pm)
- **July 23, 2026** – *Summerween Outdoor Movie Night: Hocus Pocus* (7:30 pm–12:00 am)
- **July 24, 2026** – *Hillbilly Rockstarz* (7:30 pm–9:00 pm)
- **July 30, 2026** – *Mike & Traci* (6:30 pm–7:30 pm, Towne Square)
- **July 31, 2026** – *Latin Swing Factor* (7:30 pm–9:00 pm)
- **August 4, 2026** – *Little Miss Ann* (12:00 pm–1:00 pm)
- **August 5, 2026** – *Allegro Community Chorus* (7:30 pm–8:30 pm, Cutting Hall)
- **August 6, 2026** – *Petra van Nuis* (6:30 pm–7:30 pm, Towne Square)



Raise Right makes all your gift shopping easy. Weddings, graduations, birthdays, baby and wedding showers, house warming gifts or for just for your personal use.

There are so many choices of gift cards on www.raiseright.com and the website will show you how much the Community Outreach program will earn off of every card purchase.

You receive 100% of the gift card amount you purchase, and the VISA cards do not have an activation fee.

Place your order by June 14 and get your cards June 21!!

If you have any questions, please see Sue Lech or email at s.lech@comcast.net

Below is the Raise Right (Scrip) form , print it off and fill it out. If you go to www.raiseright.com you can see all of the gift cards that are available.

*****There is no activation fee on the VISA gift cards*****

St Paul United Church of Christ/Palatine, IL			Date		
Name			email or phone		
Check #			Order total		

Common products	QTY	Total	Product	QTY	Total
Amazon \$10.00		\$			\$
Amazon \$100.00		\$			\$
Amazon \$25.00		\$			\$
Dairy Queen \$10.00		\$			\$
Jewel Osco \$100.00		\$			\$
Jewel Osco \$50.00		\$			\$
Mariano's (IL) \$100.00		\$			\$
Mariano's (IL) \$50.00		\$			\$
Starbucks \$25.00		\$			\$
Visa Gift Card - No Activation Fee		\$			\$
Visa Gift Card - No Activation Fee		\$			\$
Visa Gift Card - No Activation Fee		\$			\$
Walgreens \$100.00		\$			\$
Walgreens \$25.00		\$			\$
Walmart \$100.00		\$			\$
Walmart \$25.00		\$			\$
Walmart \$50.00		\$			\$



Pray without ceasing.

**PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF
FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

PRAYERS OF PETITION

This month please pray for...

Ed Bartelt, friend of Charlotte Mally
Doris Brztowski
Karen and Carol Douglas
Ed, cousin of Jackie Schultze
Elena, daughter-in-law of Mary Carlisle
Jeff Florey
Matthew & Michael Hayford
Carol Hennings, sister of Pat Kolze
Larry Ingram
Bruce & Barb Kerlin, parents of Bruce Kerlin
Jay Kolze, nephew of Bob & Pat Kolze
Brian Altergott, Gary Altergott's brother
Larry Layman, brother of Shirley Kolze
Mary Schultz, neighbor of Nancy Perry
Sharon, neighbor of Bob & Pat Kolze
Bonnie Stallone, daughter of Jim & Shirley Schimka
Sherry Stephens, sister of Shirley Kolze
Beverly Young
Maceo & Dolores Ellison
Grace Hogaboom, friend of Pat Kolze/aunt of Jim Frost
John Connor, Karen Connor's former In-law
Marjorie and Chuck Anderson
Sharon Khan
Kenny Kolze, son of Shirley Kolze
Monica D, who works with Sue Gould
Christine, friend of Sue Lech
Holly Petersen, former member
Danielle Lemmons, daughter-in-law of Debbie Brennan
Colton and Declan, grandson's of Janet Olsen's friend
Gloria Helms
Ted Brennan, husband of Debbie Brennan
Ralph Hayford

SERVING CHRIST IN WORSHIP

June Usher Captain:
Sharon Altergott

June Readers:
7: Tom Donat
14 Pastor Mercer
21: Kim Cichon
26: Gary Altergott

June Greeters:
7: Shay Storm
14: Nancy Perry
21: Karen Whedon
26: Barb Oberly

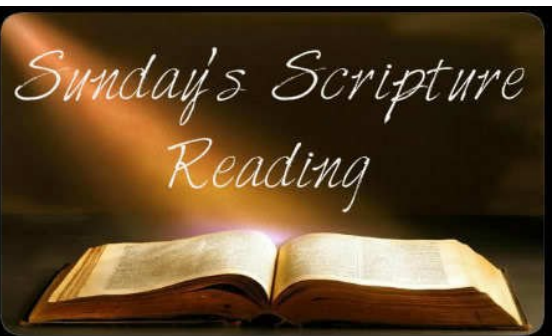
Lectionary for June:

**7: Genesis 12: 1-9, Romans 4:
13-25, Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26**

**14: Genesis 18: 1-15, Romans
5: 1-8, Matthew 9: 35-10: 8**

**21: Genesis 21: 8-21, Romans
6: 1b-11, Matthew 10: 26-39**

**28: Genesis 22: 1-14, Romans
6: 12-23, Matthew 10: 40-42**



**Am I the only one
who calculates
how much sleep
I can get before
going to bed?**

TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR SENIORS

1. Talk to yourself. There are times when you need expert advice.
2. "In style" are the clothes that still fit.
3. You don't need anger management. You need people to stop irritating you.
4. Your people skills are just fine. It's your tolerance for idiots that needs work.
5. The biggest lie you tell yourself is: "I don't need to write that down. I'll remember it."
6. "On time" is when you get there.
7. You've noticed people your age are much older than you.
8. Ageing has slowed you down, but it hasn't shut you up.
9. You still haven't learned to act your age and I hope you never will.
10. "One for the road" means peeing before you leave the house.

Laughing at our mistakes
can lengthen our own life.
Laughing at someone else's
can shorten it.

– Cullen Hightower

**IF I JUST KEEP
LOOKING CUTE
THEY'LL SURELY
BLAME THE DOG**



Don't need a mood ring.
I have a face.



**I often wear earphones with
no music playing**



**So I can legitimately ignore
people around me**

Name: _____ Date: _____



June



BEACH
CAMPFIRE
COOKOUT
FATHER
FIREFLIES



FLAG DAY
GARDEN
GRADUATION
HOT
LEMONADE



POOL
SOLSTICE
SUMMER
VACATION
WEDDINGS

