



The Scribe

St. Paul UCC

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Pastor's Pen.....

There's not a lot that can be said about August. It's still hot, but Hometown Fest is over. Fall isn't yet here, but two-thirds of the summer are now behind us. There aren't any special days in August, but we can see Labor Day right around the corner. The K-12 schools start their "fall" semester in August, even as the teachers, staff, and students enter summer-hot school buildings.

And, then too, August means that the summer plums are ripe. And so also are the sweet corn and melons. The lawn doesn't need to be mowed as often as it did back in May. Patches of dry, brown grass grace the landscape. Seemingly unaware of their lifespan, large green tree leaves flutter in the summer breeze.

We can be grateful to our Maker for all of it; for each day of each season. It's part of life and it's a gift! To bask in its simplicity is to know that life's greatest pleasures are usually those that are right in front of us. Small things can become big things, and what we thought of as the "big" things have turned out to be temporal.

It may be August, but it's still very much summer! And may we live in it with grace and with gratitude, recognizing the invisible hand of God working beyond our knowledge, bringing light and life into our very existence.

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 (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 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



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

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

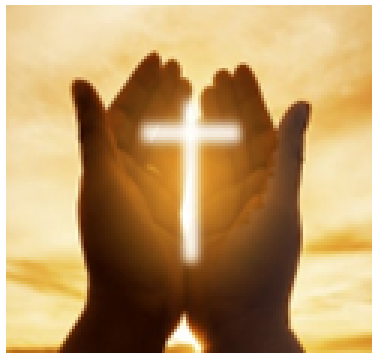
If you call out of office hours or there is no answer, please leave a message & phone number where you can be reached, and one of us will return your call.

Thank you so much....



September 13th will be Rally Day and Picnic after service.
Sign-ups are at the East Entrance.

More information to come!!



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!

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.



Rummage Sale Poll

It is IMPORTANT that you fill out the poll by the East Entrance so we can plan accordingly for the Rummage Sale on OCTOBER 17TH

We have had numerous people outside of St. Paul calling and asking if we will be having another Rummage sale. I would love to contact them and tell them YES!!

Sign your name on the sheet and then check off what you might be able to assist with so we can have a successful sale.

If you want to call in the information to the office you can do that too.

The information will be re-evaluated by the end of August so we can decide for sure.

Thank you so much!! Debbie Everett



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS	
Charlotte Mally (Grandmother)	8/3
Orrin Helms	8/5
Randy Everett	8/16
Kim Cichon	8/16
Robert Kolze	8/18
Cheryl Goodrich	8/18
Ethan Mally	8/20
Kathleen DePue	8/21
Dee Langguth	8/21
Kyra Graham	8/23
Barb Oberly	8/23
Carrie Kerlin	8/24
Lillian Kroll	8/28
Mark Mally	8/24

Milestone Birthdays for

Cheryl Goodrich and Dee Langguth

IN
A WORLD
WHERE
YOU
CAN BE
ANYTHING
BE *kind*



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 August 9th and get your cards August 16th!!

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		\$			\$
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Visa Gift Card - No Activation Fee		\$			\$
Walgreens \$100.00		\$			\$
Walgreens \$25.00		\$			\$
Walmart \$100.00		\$			\$
Walmart \$25.00		\$			\$
Walmart \$50.00		\$			\$



Celebrating 50 years of “On Eagle’s Wings”



During a recent Hymn Sing, we sang “On Eagle's Wings” and I presented a brief history of its origin. The following is a continuation of the story in the words of staff reporter Camillo Barone of “National Catholic Reporter”:

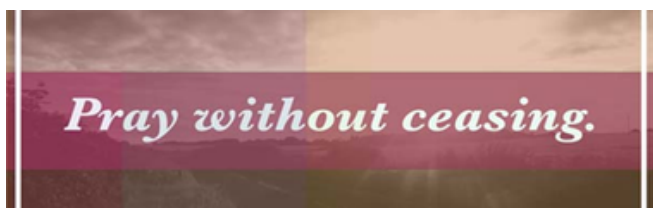
“This year marks the 50th anniversary of the hymn's creation, a song born quietly in 1975 and first sung publicly at a funeral in Omaha, Nebraska, in April 1976. By the mid-1970s, Fr. Michael Joncas was a 24-year-old from Minneapolis. Five decades later, the hymn he wrote during a moment of private grief, "On Eagle's Wings," has become one of the most recognizable religious songs in the English-speaking world, crossing denominational boundaries and accompanying funerals, memorial services and moments of national mourning, from parish churches to presidential speeches.

While writing the hymn, grief surrounded Joncas personally as well. His sister, Babette, who had lived with physical difficulties throughout her life, had recently died in her early 20s. In 2003, Joncas received the kind of consolation his music had offered others. While teaching liturgical studies at the University of Notre Dame, he lost the ability to walk and move. Doctors eventually diagnosed Guillain-Barré syndrome, a rare neurological disorder that initially left him almost completely paralyzed. He spent weeks intubated, heavily sedated and unable to communicate. The illness permanently altered aspects of his musical life since he lost some physical abilities. He never regained his former singing voice and could no longer play guitar, the instrument associated most closely with his compositions. Yet the experience transformed his ministry.

Today, at 74, the composer lives quietly in St. Paul, continuing to mentor, write and compose while remaining attentive to the suffering around him. And as "On Eagle's Wings" turns 50, Joncas said he remains almost detached from the scale of its massive influence. Asked about royalties and success, he shrugs them off, explaining that much of the income goes into charitable giving and church-related causes. What matters more to him is whether the song still consoles people facing grief and uncertainty, as it did at a small funeral in Omaha half a century ago.”

This worship song is a great example of how hymns and songs become our favorites. If you have already submitted your favorite hymns to me, thank you very much! For those of you who are still thinking about it, you have another month to make your favorites known. Please email me at musicleader26@gmail.com or complete the yellow form and drop it in the music box near the east entrance of the sanctuary. Your participation is greatly appreciated!

Michelle Nunez
Music Coordinator



SERVING CHRIST IN WORSHIP

August Usher Captain:
David Graham

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS

This week please pray for...

The family and friends of Ron Klages-Dawn Drost's Father
The family and friends of Brian Altergott-Gary's Brother

Ed Bartelt, friend of Charlotte Mally
Doris Brztowski

Karen and Carol Douglas

Elena, daughter-in-law of Mary Carlisle Jeff Florey

Matthew & Michael Hayford Carol Hennings, sister of Pat Kolze

Bruce & Barb Kerlin, parents of Bruce Kerlin

Jay Kolze, nephew of Bob & Pat Kolze

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

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

Holly Petersen, former member

Colton and Declan, grandson's of Janet Olsen's friend

Gloria Helms

Kathy S., sister of Sharon Khan

Ted Brennan, Debbie Brennan's husband

Ralph Hayford

Glenn Carlisle



August Readers:

2: Tom Donat

9: Jim Wotal

16: Kim Cichon

23: Gary Altergott

30: Pastor

August Greeters:

2: Ellen Graham

9: Mary Carlisle

16: Shay Storm

23: Ellen Graham

30: Janet Olsen

Lectionary for August:

2: Psalm 17: 1-7, 15

Romans 9: 5-15

Matthew 14: 13-21

9: Psalm 85: 8-13

Romans 10: 5-15

Matthew 14: 22-33

16: Psalm 133

Romans 11: 1-2, 29-32

Matthew 15: 21-28

23: Psalm 124

Romans 12: 1-8

Matthew 16: 13-20

30: Psalm 105: 1-6, 23-26

Romans 12: 9-21

Matthew 16: 21-28

When someone asks me how my day is going, I'm like...



IF I WAS A BIRD,
I'D FLY INTO A CEILING FAN.

'Why don't
you answer
my calls?'
It's hard
to explain



Expect
nothing and
appreciate
everything.

"How hot is it outside today?"



This is what happiness looks like



Name: _____

Date: _____



AUGUST

Word Search Puzzle



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Find these words related to the month of August

BOAT
 GARDEN
 CAMPFIRE
 BIKING
 FLOATIE
 FISHING
 RIVER
 AUGUST

KAYAK
 BARBECUE
 OCEAN
 CANOE
 PICNIC
 BEACH
 ICE (as in ice cream)



SUN
 SHADE
 VACATION
 SWIMSUIT
 SWIMMING
 POPSICLES
 READING

WARM
 LAKE
 TOWEL
 POOL
 PARK
 CAMPING
 SUNSET



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