



Communion Sunday
October 1, 2017

No matter who you are,
No matter where you are
On life's journey,
You are welcome here.

Worship begins with chimes.

The prelude is a time of reflection and preparation for the worship of God.

Please silence cell phones.

Bibles for use during worship are available at each entrance to the Sanctuary.

THOUGHT FOR PREPARATION

“We shall be overcome if we worry too much about failing. Why do you think I drink strong wine, talk freely and eat so often? I do it to torment and vex the devil.”

Martin Luther

PRELUDE

Two Settings of *Ein feste Burg*
Kevin Dzierzawski, organ

Walther/Pachelbel

CHIMES

INTROIT

Salvation Unto Us Has Come
Chancel Choir

German Melody

WELCOME

WELCOMING EACH OTHER

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Lord is not a perspective or an idea.

All: Christ is the living one who conquers death!

One: The Lord is not an ominous power hovering above us.

All: Christ is the love that makes us whole!

One: We feed upon Christ's love like bread. It protects us like a mighty fortress.

All: A mighty fortress we retreat to, then leap out of, forgiven and set free!

**Please stand if you are able*

*HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Black Hymnal, No. 439

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing,
Our present help amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe does seek to work us woe with craft and power
great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth without an equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,
But there is one who takes our side, the One of God's own choosing.
You ask who that may be? Christ Jesus sets us free! With mighty power to
save, victorious o'er the grave, Christ will prevail triumphant.

And though this world with devils filled should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear for God has willed the truth to triumph through us.
The powers of evil grim, we tremble not for them; their rage we can endure,
for lo, their doom is sure: one little word shall fell them.

That word beyond all earthly powers forever is abiding;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours, for Christ is with us siding.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may
kill; God's truth shall triumph still; God's reign endures forever.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Strange Lord, we confess that we prefer
our assumptions about you to your reality.
We prefer power to weakness,
privilege to servitude,
wealth to poverty,
perfection to brokenness
intellect to foolishness.
We'd rather have an angry, distant Almighty,
Than humble, gracious, wounded *you*.
Forgive our resistance to your presence.
Replace our assumptions with your love.
Amen.**

KYRIE

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Richard Webster

*RESPONSE

I Come with Joy

Black, No. 349, verse 3

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends
The love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are friends,
And strangers now are friends.

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

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.**

SERVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Please come forward for communion.

Take the bread and eat it. Then take the cup and drink.

Deposit the cups in the baskets on the way back to your seat.

The outer ring of cups contains grape juice. The inner rings contain wine.

A gluten-free bread option is wrapped and available on a separate tray.

Return to your seat by the side aisles. All are welcome.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Oh God, thank you for coming to us in Jesus. You step toward us humbly and joyfully. Make us wise enough to move toward you and one another in the exact same way. Amen.

Children are now invited to go to Sunday School. Teachers will lead them to their classrooms. If you would like to walk your kids to class you are welcome to go and come back.

RESPONSE

I Come with Joy

Black, No. 349, verse 5

Together met, together bound, in friendship we will stay,
And go with joy to love the world and live the way we pray,
And live the way we pray.

THE BIBLICAL WORD FOR THIS DAY

Matthew 11:28–30

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

*A STATEMENT OF FAITH

**We believe in God who has created and is creating,
who has come to us in Jesus Christ to reconcile and make us new,
who works in us and others by the Holy Spirit.**

**We trust God. God calls us to be the Church,
to celebrate God’s presence,
to love and serve others,
to care for creation,
to seek justice and to resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

In life and death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God!

*RESPONSE

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

Black Hymnal, No. 403, v.1& 2

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ love and righteousness;
I dare not trust this earthly frame, but wholly lean on Jesus’ name.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

When shadows veil my Savior’s face, I rest upon unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

SERMON

Crushed by Featherlight

Matt Fitzgerald

RESPONSE *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less* Black Hymnal, No. 403, v. 3 & 4

Christ's oath and covenant and blood support me in the rising flood;
When all around my soul gives way, Christ then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

When Christ shall come with trumpet sound, oh, may I then in Love be found,
Dressed in God's righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand

REFORMATION MOMENT

Tom Henry

OFFERTORY

Avinu Malkeynu (Our Father, Our King)
Sung in Hebrew
Nancy Pifer, soprano

Max Janowski

Our Father, our King, hear our prayer.
Our Father, our King, we have sinned before Thee.
Our Father, our King, have mercy upon us and upon our children.
Our Father, our King, keep far from our country pestilence,
war and famine.
Our Father, our King, cause all hate and oppression to
vanish from the earth.
Our Father, our King, inscribe us for blessing in the
book of life.
Our Father, our King, grant unto us a year of happiness.

*FESTIVAL DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia! Amen!

*HYMN *Nun danket alle Gott* (Now Thank We All Our God)

Nun danket alle Gott, mit Herzen, Mund und Händen,
Der grosse Dinge tut an uns und allen Enden;
Der uns von Mutterleib und Kindesbeinen an
Unzählig viel zu gut bis hierher hat getan

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices,
Who, from our parents' arms, has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
Who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices,
And keep us still in grace, and guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God our Maker now be given,
To Christ, and Spirit, too, our help in highest heaven,
The one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore,
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE Amen, amen, amen

POSTLUDE

I'm Beginning To See The Light
St. Arbucks Trio

Duke Ellington

Following Worship, all are invited to join us for coffee and snacks

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS:

Communion Coordinator: Jana O'Brien

Communion Bread baked by Marcia Knudson

Communion Servers: Cheryl Kennedy, Pat Ruch

Head Usher: Beatrice Jaji

Acolytes: Chloe Combs and Colleen Kompare

Head Greeter: Greg Mooney

Gatekeeper: Dodd Brown

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR Donated by Cheryl and William Kennedy in gratitude for 11 years of being cancer free.

A donation has been made by Liz Raiman in memory of Carol Anderson

BORN THIS WEEK IN OCTOBER

Donations to the Birthday Fund support A Just Harvest

We celebrate and give thanks for your life at St. Pauls. A perfect way to celebrate and help St. Pauls: give one dollar for each year of your life to our Birthday Fund.

Oct 3: Andy Cory, Jesse Russell, Grace Gillmore, Andrew Dow, Barb Javorcic

Oct. 4: Robin Scott, Kirsten Ekdahl Hull, Solveig Roverud, Cynthia Cata, Paul Raiman, Emily Cromwell

Oct. 5: Anaka McCroskey, Alyssa Van Denburg

Oct. 6: Tom Henry, Karen Johnson, Bruce Voice, Mandy McMillen

Oct. 7: Catherine Muller, Jenna Kent, Lyssa Magnuson, Anya Kompare, David Berghoff

Oct 8: Andrew Honegger, Karin Magnuson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BECOME A SAINT PAULS MEMBER! Do you enjoy interesting people? Do you like to eat? Are you curious about God? Join Saint Pauls! Our new membership classes take place on October 8 and October 15 at 4:30 p.m. Contact Pastor Matt to register: mfitzgerald@spucc.org

CELEBRATING OUR 500th ANNIVERSARY

This year marks the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. We're celebrating in a number of ways!

**BRACE YOURSELF: A SERMON SERIES TO DIE FOR*

The first four Sundays of October will feature a sermon series rooted in the most thrilling and controversial ideas to come out of the Reformation. People died for these truth claims and they changed the world.

TODAY - *LOVE GOD WITH YOUR MIND: UNDERSTANDING REFORMATION CLAIMS

What does it mean to be a Protestant? After each sermon in our series we'll gather in the Parlor to explore the day's Reformation idea. We'll use the UCC Curriculum "500" written by Pastor Matt and others from the Still Speaking Writers Group. Copies are free and available in the Narthex. Class begins at 11:15. Childcare is available.

**REFORMATION BEER AND SING - OCTOBER 19, 7 p.m.*

Did you know that Martin Luther's wife Katharina was a nun before they married? She also ran the brewery that supported the Luther family! Come sample a variety of German beers as we lift a glass to this extraordinary woman. We'll also sing some of the best Reformation hymns.

**REFORMATION MOMENTS*

During worship each Sunday in October leading up to Reformation Sunday on October 29, Senior Pastor Emeritus Tom Henry will share a story from Saint Pauls history, highlighting ways in which the Reformation shaped our church.

**REFORMATION INTROITS*

Each Sunday this fall the Chancel Choir will begin worship with a Choral Introit based on a Reformation hymn. These hymns reach back into our deep German heritage.

**REFORMATION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29*

It all leads up to a glorious celebration in worship on Sunday, October 29. Don't miss our annual, soul-stirring celebration of Reformation Sunday.

SUNDAYS 9-9:45 a.m. - THE WORD OF THE DAY - God is still speaking, and the primary way God speaks to us is through scripture. In this adult faith formation class, we take a dive into the Bible passages that our pastors will preach on, because reflecting on scripture with a group enriches our worship and understanding. No Bible experience necessary. Your questions are welcome. Childcare is provided in the nursery.

FIRST WEDNESDAY LUNCHEONS will resume **October 4** from 12-1:30 p.m. in the Parlor. Rev. Dr. Deborah Rose will present an interactive “Show and Tell” about her faith journey as a late-blooming artist in ministry. You will get a sneak preview of the altar cloth she is creating for Advent and Lent. Bring a pair of sharp scissors if you’d like to contribute a piece to the effort! The fabric will be provided. All are welcome to attend. Cost is \$10/person. Please RSVP to Anna Sardar asardar@spucc.org

OCTOBER 5 - MOMS NIGHT OUT - Join the Parents of Little Ones for a Moms Night Out at 7:30 p.m. at Broken English, 2576 N. Lincoln Ave. Contact Corie for more info corie.gallemore@gmail.com

OCTOBER 13 -LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY SERVICES (FORMERLY SHELTER) TASTE OF FALL EVENT. The annual celebration raises proceeds for guests and programs of the Lincoln Park Community Shelter. The event is from 6:30 p.m. to 11p.m. at Architectural Artifacts. You'll experience local restaurants, breweries and distilleries, music and dancing. Tickets are \$75 at <https://lpcsonline.ejoinme.org/TOF>. This event supports comprehensive social services to adult men and women who are experiencing homelessness.

OCTOBER 13- PUMPKIN CARVING - 7 p.m. Oscar Mayer Room
Join the Young Adults Group as we celebrate Fall on Friday the 13th! Bring your own pumpkin (BYOP) and favorite beverage of choice for an evening of community and spooky movies! RSVP to the Punchbowl Invitation and email youngadults@spucc.org with any questions.

OCTOBER 14- BIKE TO THE BOTANIC - 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Join other St. Pauls cyclists on a moderately-paced 32-mile round trip bike ride up the North Branch Trail from Caldwell Woods to the Chicago Botanic Gardens. We'll meet in the Caldwell Woods parking lot at 9 a.m. and be led by experienced cyclist Nancy Curotto, who has ridden this route many times. Bring your lunch, or eat in the Garden Cafe, before we ride back to Caldwell Woods. Ride will be postponed in the event of rain. Please RSVP to Nancy by October 12 at ncurotto21@gmail.com.

OCTOBER 15, 11 a.m. -PIZZA PARTY - Parents of Little Ones, please bring your family to the Oscar Mayer Room for a pizza party after the 10:00 church service. If we have enough people sign up, we will set up the bouncy house. Let Corie know if you can come - corie.gallemore@gmail.com.

OCTOBER 18- Join *A Just Harvest* for their 14th ANNUAL AWARDS BENEFIT- Wednesday, October 18 at 6 p.m. - for an evening of music, food, and fun to celebrate their accomplishments in 2017 at The Mayne Stage in Rogers Park. Contact Maggie Williams at 773-262-2297 or purchase tickets online <http://www.ajustharvest.org>

OCTOBER 22, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. FLU AND PNEUMONIA SHOTS AT ST. PAULS Pharmacist Lily from Walgreens on Clark Street will provide the shots. Flu shots are covered under Medicare Part B with a valid Medicare card. Under 65 and want the flu shot? Bring your insurance card. No insurance? The flu shot costs \$31.99 or High or double flu for \$59.99. Pneumonia shots are also covered by Medicare Part B with a valid Medicare card. There are two different kinds of Pneumonia shots: Pneumazvaz @ \$109.99 or Prevanar @ \$229.99 if you don't have insurance. You can pay by check or cash.

OCTOBER 22- MONTHLY BRUNCH – 11:30 AM. Join the Young Adults Group for brunch after worship. We will gather during Social Hour and walk somewhere close. Have suggestions on where to go? Email youngadults@spucc.org with ideas and RSVP.

OCTOBER 26, 7p.m.- FAITH IN ACTION INTERFAITH DIALOGUE EVENT ON PEACE- Do you have an interest in learning about other religions? Confused about it all, in general? The Faith in Action committee is hosting an interfaith dialogue event on PEACE on Thursday, October, 26 at 7 p.m., to hear scriptures dealing with peace from diverse religious leaders from Chicago. We will also dialogue with their congregants about our unique experiences as diverse people living out our faiths in Chicago. Please contact Jack Knight at jackknightmsw@gmail.com to register for this event.

OCTOBER 28 - SATURDAY BIBLE STUDY 10 - 11:45 a.m. Current study: Ezekiel. Contact: Pastor Jeff jcarlson@spucc.org.

OCTOBER 29, 3:30 p.m. - A REFORMATION VESPERS AT GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH, River Forest. Please join others planning to attend this free event to extend our 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. The Bach Cantata "Ein feste Burg, BWV 80," based on "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," will be presented as part of the Vespers service. Contact Kurt R. Hansen at KurtSingsBach@gmail.com if you want to join the car caravan or need a ride.

NOVEMBER 2, 7:30 pm - WINE AND DESIGN - Parents of Little Ones please join us for our own “wine and design” event. We will be painting the Chicago flag on a pallet board. The cost will be between \$10 and \$15. Let Corie know if you can come - corie.gallemore@gmail.com.

OPPORTUNITIES

ALTAR FLOWER SIGN UP - If you would like to purchase flowers for the altar please go to our link at <http://tinyurl.com/h55pl82> and sign up. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

ADULT MISSION TRIP 2018 - We have reserved the week of February 17-24 for an adult mission trip to volunteer with Three Angels Orphanage and School in Haiti. Contact Pastor Jeff if you're interested in going next year: jcarlson@spucc.org.

AMAZON SMILE - Use <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/36-2179808>, if you would like to support St. Pauls when buying Amazon products. The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from eligible purchases to St. Pauls.

BOOK NOOK: It's time to restock the Book Nook in the Social Hall. Simply place books you no longer want (no more than one bagful, please) on the shelves in the book case on the north wall of the Social Hall. General fiction, broad interest nonfiction, youth and children books are ideal along with large print and audio books. Anytime you want a book, simply take one; no need to return it. If you have any questions, please contact Tilly Wilhoite at Tilly1017@gmail.com.

COLLEEN HENRY WRITING CENTER: **We urgently need more tutors at lunchtime to help students learn to write clearly and convincingly.** This program at Lincoln Park High School was initiated by St. Pauls and developed in connection with the English and Social Studies Departments. Tutors volunteer once a week, Monday through Thursday. Training and mentoring are available. For more information, or to volunteer, contact Nancy Brandt - nhbrandt@sbcglobal.net.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES If you have a son or daughter in college please send us their address so the St. Pauls Connectors can send them a care package. Email Pastor Sarah at sgarcia@spucc.org

CONNECTORS reach out providing networking and support for members and friends of St. Pauls. Membership is open to all who have the time and the inclination to help. Contact Marcia Volk - marcia@volkonline.com

CONSIDER THE LILIES - Deliver our Sunday Altar Flowers to members and friends who need to know St. Pauls is thinking of them. If you would like to be part of this initiative, please contact Maureen Grunst at mvgrunst@aol.com. Join us!

FAITH IN ACTION/FAITH AND PUBLIC ISSUES - Whether you're interested in supporting women or GLBTQ persons or immigrants and refugees, or interested in planning programs on critical issues, you can find St. Pauls people involved and join them NOW. Contact Rachel Adams at adams.rachellynn@gmail.com for more information.

FEED THE HUNGRY - Each week St. Pauls welcomes homeless and hungry people to Sunday dinner. To volunteer to prepare and serve dinner to guests of the Lincoln Park Community Shelter, contact Brent Carstensen at bcarstensen@ameritech.net.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT - Visit our Food for Thought blog <http://www.spucc.org/blogs/food-for-thought>.

GET YOUR NEW NAME TAG! - Email Virgie at vberry@spucc.org.

LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY SHELTER NEEDS OVERNIGHT VOLUNTEERS - To sign up: volunteer@lpcsonline.org 773-549-6111.

LITTLE LIGHTS is a St. Pauls preschool program with classes for 2 and 3-year-olds in our church nursery with options for two or three mornings per week. Our standard application deadline has passed. However, **we are still working with applicants on a rolling basis**. If you are interested in scheduling a tour or have any questions please visit our website www.spucc.org/littlelights or email Virgie Berry- vberry@spucc.org.

LONG CLASSIC NOVEL READING GROUP is discussing Tolstoy's "Anna Karenina," this fall. To join in on the discussion contact Pastor Jeff Carlson, jcarlson@spucc.org. Meets in the parlor. Upcoming Discussion Date: Dec. 5, parts 5-8.

NEW OR EXPECTING PARENTS - If you have a new baby or are expecting a baby, please let Corie know so that we can find ways to support you (meals, prayer, etc.) and so that we can inform you of opportunities in our Parents of Little Ones (POLO) group. Also let us her know if you have small children and are new to the church. corie.gallemore@gmail.com

SARAH'S SISTERS gather every Wednesday morning to make 40 bag lunches to be distributed to homeless people. Come to the church kitchen at 9:30 a.m.

STEPHEN MINISTRY AT ST. PAULS - If you're in need of support through a tough time and would like to be matched with someone who would support you with companionship and prayer, or you're feeling called to offer support, speak to Pastor Jeff Carlson jcarlson@spucc.org, Marti Pechnyo mpechnyo@gmail.com, or Diana Laskaris dianaminlead@gmail.com.

SAINT PAULS BASKETBALL WEDNESDAYS AT 7 p.m.

Our weekly pickup game is co-ed. Ages range from young and fast to old and not as fast. Skill levels range from enthusiastic to "I think he played in college, you guard him." All are welcome! Contact pastormatt@spucc.org

ST. PAULS PLAY GROUP for children from birth to 3 years old in the church Nursery. Drop in anytime from 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Wednesdays. Corie Gallemore at corie.gallemore@gmail.com

ST. PAULS SOCIAL - Get better acquainted with other adults at St. Pauls. If interested in hosting please contact Jen Luerssen, jenuerssen@yahoo.com and stay tuned for future events.

SUNDAY SCHOOL is offered for children from birth to high school from 10:15-11 a.m. Children should come to worship first with their parents and they will be dismissed to their classes. We will have Sunday school three times a month with no classes one Sunday each month so that families can worship together. Contact Pastor Sarah for more information at sgarcia@spucc.org

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS needed for the following classes: JK/K, 1st and 2nd, Confirmation. Please contact Pastor Sarah if you are interested sgarcia@spucc.org

UCC DAILY DEVOTIONAL - To register: http://www.ucc.org/daily_devotional.

WANT MORE VARIETY AT COFFEE HOUR?- Sign up to bring it at <http://bit.ly/1RtSUuh>

YOUNG ADULTS- A group for fun and fellowship for folks in their twenties and thirties. All are welcome! Volunteers needed! Any ideas for future events? Email youngadults@spucc.org.

YOUTH GROUP for kids in 3rd-8th grade will meet each Tuesday from 4-6 p.m. with pizza dinner, fun and Christian fellowship. Meet in the gym. Resumes in September, most Tuesdays, grades 3-8 from 4-6 p.m. Contact sgarcia@spucc.org.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please send any announcements you would like in the following week's Friday email to announcements@spucc.org no later than **10 a.m. on Tuesday**. Please limit announcements to 70 words. Thank you.

SAINT PAULS PRAYS

- Bea Jaji at the death of her brother Jacob.
- Kevin O'Brien's friend Tony Dobrowolski, recovering from a medically induced coma, and his husband Bob Vogel.
- Pastor Sarah's daughter, Serena Knotts, in the hospital with respiratory distress.
- Al Karalis and his family as he recovers from a major surgery.
- Sandra Benedict and family at the death of Ann Benedict. A memorial service will be held on October 22nd at 3 p.m. at St. Pauls.
- Ed Zasadil, with nerve damage restricting use of his left arm.
- Luis Hernandez and his family as he prepares for surgery.
- Ashley Anderson struggling with personal issues.
- Doug Dobmeyer, at the death of his sister.
- Bobbi Gannello, diagnosed with lymphoma.
- Lance, a friend of Sally Fletcher's, facing serious health problems.
- Amy Newman starting radiation therapy & sister Linda, being treated for cancer.
- Sandra Benedict, recovering from surgery.
- Jan Exworthy and her mother Lucille.
- Rosemarie Hau being treated for a heart condition.
- Carole Knuti undergoing treatment for cancer.
- Carole Crowley recovering from a stroke.
- All those struggling to conceive.
- Sylvia Pine's grandfather, Terry Barton, recovering from strokes.
- Candi Huber's niece, Kathryn, continuing treatments for cancer.
- Michelle's friends Michael, Chris and Jerry, all sick with chronic illnesses.
- Lorri Gunn Wirsum, for her husband, Karl Wirsum, and her brother, Jim.
- Mary Train and her nephew Carl and family.
- Jonah, Sean, and Kevin and all homeless individuals with mental illness living in this city.
- For those struggling with mental health issues.
- For all those touched by violence in Chicago.
- Steve Warsh, undergoing chemotherapy.
- Tom Palkon being treated for cancer.
- Those killed and injured in terrorist attacks around the world and all refugees.

A Memorial Service for Rev. James Hargleroad, a long-time advocate for the homeless in Chicago, will be held on October 21st at the Boulevard (formerly Interfaith House). His wife Bobbi and family will be present at the service. For more information, contact Hazel Vespa chvespa@att.net

NEARLY 1 IN 5 ADULTS STRUGGLE WITH A MENTAL HEALTH ISSUE.

Contact one of the pastors today for information about mental health care advocacy and resources that can help you and your loved ones. Contact information for the pastors is at the back of this bulletin.

Notes:

ABOUT ST. PAULS
Making a joyful sound in the city

Saint Pauls UCC has a vibrant history in the city of Chicago. Founded in October 1843, we are one of the city's oldest churches. In 1989 we became one of America's first congregations to declare ourselves "Open to and Affirming of" LGBT women and men.

From founding Chicago's largest provider of social services to at-risk children to starting a home for the elderly, from housing protestors at the 1968 Democratic Convention to hosting Lincoln Park's first MLK day march against violence on Chicago's streets we are proud to make a joyful sound in the city.

Most importantly, over the past 173 years we are glad to have introduced thousands of children and adults to the amazing, inclusive, life changing, uplifting love of God.

We do so in worship that is traditional, but far from conventional.

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Free Parking is available on Sundays 9-1pm at Children's Memorial Hospital

2300 Block of North Lincoln Ave. – Vouchers Not Needed



WELCOME TO SAINT PAULS UCC!

Welcome to those whose hearts are on fire with faith,
and to those who bring their doubt inside our doors.

Welcome to our first time guests and
our longtime members.

Welcome to single people, tiny children,
Grandparents and families of all configurations.
Welcome to those who rejoice and to those who
grieve. Welcome to each and to everyone.

We are an Open and Affirming church.

We welcome all.

We are blessed by your presence and
We are glad you are here.