

# FEDERATED CHURCH



**Mission Statement:**

***We are called to nurture a growing relationship with God by following the example of Jesus Christ.***



***Thursday, September 10 and Sunday, September 13, 2020***

***Welcome to Worship at Federated!***

**We are called Federated** because on July 2, 1914, Columbus' Congregational (now the United Church of Christ) and Presbyterian churches joined to serve as one congregation.

Prayer requests can be shared with the Church Office (402) 564-2812 to initiate a Prayer Chain with the Order of St. Andrew. The Prayer Chain is strictly confidential.

**If you missed worship last week**, visit [www.federatedcolumbus.org](http://www.federatedcolumbus.org) for videos of worship and bulletins, and on TV: Spectrum Channel 1304 (HD)  
Mondays 11:55am, Saturdays 11:55am and Sundays 7:55pm.

**In case of an emergency, please contact the church office.**  
Pastor Edward will be on vacation from August 3-16, 2020.

Governing Council 2020 - Federated Church Elders			Federated Church Clergy and Staff	
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## JOYS & CONCERNS

- ◆ If you have any joys or concerns, please share with the congregation by informing the office.
  - ◆ Pray for Mary Sharpe who is now rehabbing at Meridian Gardens (Room 210).
  - ◆ Give thanks for successful breast cancer surgery for Jill McCormick, wife of Wayne McCormick.
- Jill is recovering at home with a follow-up appointment in coming weeks.
- ◆ Prayers are offered for John Novotny's deployment with Red Cross relief in Baton Rouge, Louisiana following Hurricane Laura.
  - ◆ Pray for Elda Juhnke, mother of Kathy & Kenn Leischner, who has begun hospice care
  - ◆ Pray for Carol Sand, mother of Mike & Brenda Sand, who has begun hospice care.
  - ◆ Pray for the Ternus Family (Lacey, Matt, Hailey & Addilyn) as Lacey has tested positive for COVID-19. Pray especially for Matt's sister, Ashley Ternus, who is currently on a ventilator.
  - ◆ Pray for Sondra Burnett as she continues chemotherapy treatment for ovarian cancer.
  - ◆ Pray for Karel Morris, sister of Marilyn & Ben Vrana, who continues chemotherapy.
  - ◆ From Homestead Presbytery:

## CLARKSON NEW ZION

Hi from New Zion in Clarkson. Right now we need prayers as we search for a new minister. We are just starting the process and during these uncertain times we are living in, we particularly need prayers that we would find a spirit-filled minister to lead our church. We also need prayers that our elders remember their calling and help with the process of maintaining the church without a full time minister. Our joys include the fact that our members have supported our church financially during our time of being shut down. We haven't needed to dip into savings or get any monies from the government. Also that when we did start worshiping in person that people did come back. Praises for our members! New Zion is alive and worshiping in Clarkson.

## THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

### Sunday, September 13

- 9:00am Education Hour, Ed Center & Upper Room
- 10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:00am Youth Ministry Committee Meeting, EC 8

### Monday, September 14

- 5:15am Order of St. Andrew Meeting, EC 4
- 6:30pm Membership/Growth Meeting, Zoom Mtg.

### Tuesday, September 15

- 1:00pm Lectionary Afternoon Bible Study, EC 8 & Online Zoom Meeting
- 5:30pm Personnel Committee Meeting, EC 7
- 6:30pm Finance/Property Meeting, Fellowship Hall

### Wednesday, September 16

- 9:30am Circle 1 Meeting, Fellowship Hall
- 10:00am Staff Meeting, FH
- 11:00am Worship Planning Meeting, AD 2
- 4:30pm Lectionary Afternoon Bible Study, Online Zoom Meeting
- 6:30pm Youth Club, Upper Room
- 7:30pm Circle 4 Meeting, EC 4 (Adult Ed Room)

### Thursday, September 17

- 6:30pm Thursday Worship Service, Sanctuary

### Friday, September 18

### Saturday, September 19

- 10:00am Visitation, Narthex
- 11:00am Jerry Dare Memorial Service, Sanctuary

### Sunday, September 20

- 9:00am Education Hour, Ed Center & Upper Room
- 10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

**Meals on Wheels Information!** Federated church will have Meals on Wheels delivery the week of **September 28 - October 2**. Coordinator will be Jean Royer. 564-8012 or 910-6688.

**Circle 1 will meet Wednesday, September 16 at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Please observe Covid-19 restrictions by wearing a mask, maintaining social distancing and bringing your own beverage.**

**TUESDAY** SEPTEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> RUNZA® WILL DONATE 10% OF SALES TO A PLACE AT THE TABLE BACKPACK FOOD PROGRAM. **FEEDS NEED!**

# WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

Hymns, Songs, Prayers, and liturgies in **Bold** are for the participation of the **Congregation**

*The Prelude invites us to begin our time of worship; please take this time for silent reflection.*

PRELUDE

*His Eye Is on the Sparrow*

ARR. SCHRADER

*On Higher Ground*

ARR. LABENSKE

*Amazing Grace*

ARR. HIELSCHER

Lee Augustin, Organ & Piano

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

PC(USA) OCCASIONAL SERVICES & FOTW

One: As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

**All: There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.**

One: Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, making every effort to maintain the unity of Spirit in the bond of peace.

**All: There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism and one God of all, who is above all and through all and in all.**

**\*OPENING SONG**

*Your Love Never Fails*

iWorship DVD

By Anthony Skinner and Chris McClarney

**\* PASSING THE PEACE**

One: Let us celebrate God's grace by sharing a sign of peace. The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Please greet one another with a sign of peace.

## LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Doug Williams, Liturgist (Sun.)

SCRIPTURE READING

GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW 18 : 21 - 35

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

**All: Gracious God, we confess to you and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, and in what we have failed to do.**

**Forgive us our sins, and deliver us from the power of evil, for the sake of your Son who died for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

One: In the name of Christ, you are forgiven.

**All: In the name of Christ, you are forgiven. Amen.**

## COMMISSIONING LITURGY (SUN.)

### \* LITANY

One: God calls ordinary people from ordinary places to do extraordinary work with God's people. God called Abraham and Sarah to pack their belongings and follow God to a new land.

**All: So Abraham and Sarah packed up and followed God.**

One: God called Moses to take the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt. Moses said, "No, God, not me! The people won't believe me. I am slow of speech and slow of tongue." God said, "Moses, I want you to go. Aaron, your brother can speak for you."

**All: So Moses took his wife and his children and went back to Egypt.**

One: God called David to be a king, even though he was a young boy and the youngest of all of Jesse's sons.

**All: So Samuel anointed David, and he rose to be a great king.**

One: God called Mary to have a baby and name the child "Jesus," because he would save the people from their sins.

**All: And Mary said to the Lord "Let it be done to me according to Your word."**

One: God called Peter and James and John away from their families, their homes, and their work as fishermen.

**All: And they dropped their nets and followed Jesus.**

One: God called Martha away from the kitchen and Lydia away from her purple cloth, and Priscilla to open her home as a new church.

**All: So they dropped what they were doing and followed God's call in their lives.**

### CHILDREN'S MOMENT — COMMISSIONING OF EDUCATION HOUR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

#### Students

**Children's Ministry Teachers:** Heidi Klevemann, Kristi Wolfe, Julie Graham & Nicole Miller

**Confirmation Teachers:** Brenda Sand & Edward Yang

**Youth Ministry Teachers:** Lisa Perrin & Max Porter

**Adult Education Teachers:** Katie Claus & Mark Weeder

COMMISSIONING PRAYER

COMMISSIONING SONG

*Open My Heart, O God of Grace*  
From Worship Service on January 24, 2014

MAYO

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

### INSTRUMENTAL DOXOLOGY

### UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**We give you thanks this day for the goodness and love that you have shown to us in Christ and pray your blessing upon these gifts: may they build your love in the world, to the honor of your name. Amen.**

CLOSING SONG

*Blessed Assurance*  
From Worship Service on September 7, 2014

RANEY

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Allegretto con moto in A*

HESSE