

FEDERATED CHURCH



INTO OUR NEW CENTURY IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST



Sunday, May 6, 2018 & Thursday May 10, 2018

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

If you are new to Federated, please tell us on a “Visitors Card” & in a red Friendship Folder. **Children are welcome in worship at Federated.** Children’s Activity Bags are at the Sanctuary entrance. The Library/“Cry Room” is child friendly. Child care is available Sundays in the Nursery. **Ushers are here to help you** — please ask them if you need hearing assistance devices and large print hymnals. Ushering are Rick Porter (Thurs.), Pete Bennett, Katie Claus, Rodger Grisham, Jeannie Johnson, Dennis Vollbracht, and Vianne Stroope-West, Youth Usher. **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.

The Order of St. Andrew serves as Federated’s deacons. Prayer requests can be shared on **Prayers Cards** in the pew pockets or **Prayer Chain** requests to the Church Office (402) 564-2812 to call the Order of St. Andrew. The Prayer Chain is strictly confidential.

If you missed worship last week, visit www.federatedcolumbus.org for videos of worship and bulletins, or on Channel 1304 (HD) Mondays & Saturdays at Noon and Sunday evenings at 8pm.

In case of an emergency, the pastors’ cell phone numbers are:

Annika: (402) 942-1636 / Edward: (402) 302-2812

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Dave Melick, <i>President</i> • Bill Royer, <i>Vice President</i> Louise Moran, <i>Secretary</i>			Rev. Dr. Annika Lister Stroope <i>Senior Pastor</i>	Jim Rains <i>Office Manager</i>
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JOYS & CONCERNS

◆ Please hold in your prayers, those travelling in mission: Pastor Annika, Julie Graham & Katie Claus. The blog of the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program Mosaic conference that Rev. Annika is participating in can be found at <https://www.presbyterianmission.org/swords-plowshares/>

◆ **Congratulations to Ethan Scheffler**, who will be graduating from Morningside College on May 12 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration with a finance emphasis and coaching endorsement.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, May 6

9:30am Worship Service, Sanctuary
10:30am Sunday School, EC 3/7/8
10:45am Adult Bible Education, EC 4
3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship Service, Sanctuary
6:00pm Confirmation Class, Fellowship Hall

Monday, May 7

5:15pm Order of St. Andrew Meeting, Library
7:00pm CM Teachers Meeting, EC 8
7:00pm Boy Scouts Troop 212, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, May 8

7:00am Christian Book Discussion, Fellowship Hall
4:00pm Emerson After School Tutoring
6:00pm Consonaires Rehearsal, Choir Room
7:00pm Cub Scouts Troop 279, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 9

1:00pm Needlecraft Prayer Ministry, Fellowship Hall
3:00pm Wed. Youth After School, Fellows Hall, Gym
7:30pm Youth Club, Upper Room, B23, Gym
7:30pm Chancel Choir Practice, Choir Room

Thursday, May 10

5:00pm YM Teachers Meeting, AD 1
6:30pm Thursday Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, May 11

8:30am MOPS Meeting, EC/FH/Gym
6:00pm Latino Prayer Service, EC 6

Saturday, May 12

9:00am Fantastic 4-Hrs, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, May 13

9:30am Worship Service, Sanctuary
10:30am Sunday School, EC 3/7/8
10:45am Adult Bible Education, EC 4
3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship Service, Sanctuary

Please Note

Rev. Annika will be in Israel & Palestine through May 12.

Tuesday Christian Book Discussion Group. Beginning on May 1st, the group will discuss 12 RULES FOR LIFE by Jordan B. Peterson on Tuesday mornings at 7:00 AM. in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome!

Active Membership Directory 2018 is now available. Please pick up your copy in the Narthex or the church office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For more details, visit www.federatedcolumbus.org,

Education Hour After Sunday Worship

Pre-K to high school are welcome to Christian formation and fellowship at **10:30 a.m.** in the Education Center and Upstairs Youth Rooms.

All Adults are welcome in the Sanctuary for Education Hour at 10:45 a.m.

TODAY, Bob Trautwein will facilitate a DVD and map book about how what we call the "Holy Land" came to be.

SUNDAY, MAY 13, Rev. Annika will share photos and resources from her time in the Holy Land.

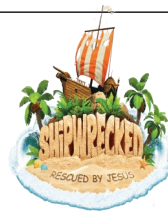


May 13th Mother's Day Flower Sale! Support the **High School Youth Summer Mission Team** with the Mother's Day Flower Sale. Single roses will be available after worship.



Summer Special Music Begins May 27!

The choir takes the summer off. If you or someone you know would be willing to provide some type of special music this summer, please sign up on the schedule posted on the bulletin board in the church office. Contact Bob Arp with any questions. What a great way to share your God given gift with others!



Please join us June 18-22 for "Shipwrecked" Vacation Bible School at Federated Church!

We all deal with feeling "shipwrecked" in our lives, but we can all be rescued by Jesus!

VBS volunteers are needed this year (**especially science, crafts and decorations**). Registration forms and volunteer sign up cards are available in the church office and Narthex.

Please contact Kristi for more information or with any questions:
wolfepackne@gmail.com or 402-910-1667.

Gift card donations to Walmart, SuperSaver, Hobby Lobby and Hy-Vee would be tremendously appreciated!



Federated's Build Day for Habitat for Humanity 2018 is approaching soon.

Help will be needed with indoor and outdoor projects, as well as volunteers to make lunch & snacks. Watch this space for more info closer to the date.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2018

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

Fugue in F Major
My Lord, What a Morning
Lee Augustin, Organ & Piano

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS **(Please sign and pass Friendship Folders to your neighbors.)**

MOMENT FOR MISSION (Sun.): Comfort Closets Melanie Knoepfle

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 98

One: Sing to our God a new song.

All: God has done marvelous things!

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord!

All: Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

One: Let the sea roar and all that fills it.

All: Let the world and its people sing together for joy!

* OPENING HYMN NO. 464 **Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee** Alex Garcia Lopez, Acolyte (Sun.)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION †

Loving God, we have not loved you or each other with our whole hearts. Forgive us we pray, and lead us toward wholeness, that we may be filled with your joy. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF GRACE AND RECONCILIATION †

One: Christ loves us so much that he laid down his life for us and calls us his friends.

All: If we can forgive our friends

One: how much more does Christ forgive us!

All: Alleluia, Amen!

* THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: As children of God, we are no longer strangers, but friends. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

* SONG OF PRAISE (SUN.) **Sing the Faith Songbook # 2026** **Halle, Halle, Halleluja**

CHILDREN'S SERMON (SUN.) *All children are invited to the front of the sanctuary for a special message.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Heidi Klevemann, Liturgist (Sun.)

READING OF SCRIPTURE

The First Letter of John 5: 1 - 6

(pew Bible New Testament page 241)

SERMON

Edward Yang, Associate Pastor

MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION

* RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. SF 2223 **They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love**

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

***As you are able in body or in spirit, please rise.**

† FEASTING ON THE WORD

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: It is indeed right, our duty and highest joy...

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.

CHORAL ANTHEM (SUN.)

Communion Invitation (You Are Forgiven)
Dana Brandt, Flute; Bob Arp, Director

SHACKLEY

COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Congregants are served communion in the pews. Please hold the bread and cup to partake together. Federated celebrates an open table, meaning all who trust in Christ are welcome to receive communion. Children are welcome to receive communion with the permission of parents and guardians as part of the family's on-going conversations about faith. Only grape juice is served for communion, though the service sometimes refers to "wine." Gluten-free wafers are at the center of bread trays. After partaking, please place cups in pew holders.

UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, you feed us with the bread of life, and renew us for your service. Help us to share Christ's invitation to be faithful disciples going forth from this table. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

ARR. DIEMER

*** DOXOLOGY (HYMN NO. 591)**

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.***

*** UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Holy God, in Christ you have chosen us to be your friends and to know your will in the world. Therefore we pray in Jesus' name that these tithes and offerings spread your love near and far. Amen.

*** CLOSING HYMN NO. 40**

Joy to the World

*** BLESSING AND SENDING**

POSTLUDE

Allegretto Pastorale

GAMBINI

After praising God with the Postlude, all are warmly welcome to Sunday fellowship time with refreshments at Café La Fed, hosted this week by the Membership & Growth Committee.

2018 Address Directories are printed. They are available in the Narthex or in the Church Office. If you find any errors, feel free to contact Chrissy at cford@federatedcolumbus.org.