



FEDERATED CHURCH

INTO OUR NEW CENTURY IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST



Thursday, August 10 and Sunday, August 13, 2017

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! Hearing assistance devices and large print hymnals are available.

Head Usher is Dennis Vollbracht. Ushers this week: Rick Porter (Thurs.),

Don Anderson, Dana Brandt, Julie Graham, John Novotny and Dennis Vollbracht.

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 99 (HD) Mondays & Saturdays at Noon and Sunday evenings at 8pm.

In the event of a pastoral emergency, please contact Rev. Edward Yang (cell: 402-302-2812).

Governing Council 2017 - Federated Church Elders

Rick Porter, *President* • Dave Melick, *Vice President*
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El Buen Pastor Fellowship

PREPARING FOR GOD'S WORD

The Prelude invites us to begin our time of worship; please observe this time in silent meditation.

PRELUDE

*The Mountains Shall Sing
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven
Lee Augustin, Organ & Piano*

WOOD
ARR. WYRTZEN

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS ***Please sign and pass Friendship Folders to your neighbors.***

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Those who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

All: We need this kind of hope.

One: Come; worship the Holy One who meets you where you are. Come; open yourselves to the God who lifts us up.

*GATHERING PRAYER

God of Presence, as you walked upon the water to meet the disciples, meet us in the midst of the storms in our lives. God of Renewal, as you lifted Peter from the water, lift us from despair to hope, from distraction to focus, from death to life. God of the Journey, direct us in your way, work out your purpose in and through our lives. We pray in the name of Christ who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*GATHERING HYMN NO. 472

O Sing to the Lord

CONFESSION OF SIN

One: God is here, Christ is present, and the Holy Spirit surrounds you.

All: But we have turned our eyes to the challenges of this life, lost our focus on God and are sinking in sin.

One: You can begin again. Imagine a new way of being.

All: We have cast aside our dreams to maintain the familiar. We have cast aside the dreams of others, fearful of what they might mean.

One: God loves you, Christ will lift you from the waves of doubt and the Holy Spirit will rescue you from currents of insecurity and alienation. In these moments of quiet reflection confess to God all that separates you from God and one another. *(Time for personal reflection and confession.)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Take heart, do not be afraid. Every one who calls upon God's name will be saved. We are forgiven.

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD!

* 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.

CHILDREN'S SERMON (SUN.) *All children are invited to come forward for a special message.*

After the Children's Sermon, children will be led to the Education Center for an optional time of music and crafts for the remainder of worship.

Children should be picked up from Room EC8 at the completion of Sunday worship.

Families can choose to have their children stay with them in the sanctuary.

SPECIAL MUSIC (SUN.)

*Vine a Alabar a Dios
Mark and Antonio Garcia, Anjel Garcia, piano*

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

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

(Sun.) Sue McClure, Liturgist

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 37:1-4; 12-28

(Pew Bible Old Testament, page 34)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 14:22-33

(Pew Bible New Testament, page 16)

HYMN FOR PREPARATION NO. 399

We Walk By Faith

SERMON

No Doubt

Rev. Kenn Leischner

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION

HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 394

There is a Balm in Gilead (Chorus only)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Impromptu

TAYLOR

*** 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 OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Loving God, we believe that you have brought us into your realm to have a purpose for good. We offer to you our whole lives as a living sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Use us; multiply us and these gifts we have placed at your altar, to extend the invitation of life, community, and purpose in this place and around the world. Amen.

***HYMN OF SERVICE NO. 363**

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

*** BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH**

POSTLUDE

March in D Major

BOYCE

After praising God with the Postlude, all are warmly welcome to Sunday Fellowship time with refreshments, hosted this week by Sue Mares and Barb Olson.

Our guest preacher this week is Rev. Kenn Leischner. Kenn is retired after more than 20 years of interim ministry across the country as a local church pastor and judicatory executive. His recently published book about the people and experiences he knew is entitled, "Stories I've Heard and Told: Memories and Meditations of a Wanderer".

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JOYS & CONCERNS

- ◆ A graveside service for John Neater, who passed away on Nov. 14, 2016, will be held at 10:30am Saturday, August 19, at Columbus Cemetery. John grew up in the Federated Church and was confirmed here. His sister is Joan Specht.
- ◆ Please pray for Linda and John McPhail as Linda begins her battle against lung cancer.
- ◆ Please pray for Duane Munson who was hospitalized and is now recovering from pneumonia at Columbus Care.
- ◆ Please pray for Terry and Chad Stuart, members of the Catholic church, as Terry is receiving radiation treatment for brain tumors. Chad is a leader for Scout Troop 212. The Stuart family are neighbors with the Yang family.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, August 13

- 9:30am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:30am YMAC Committee Meeting, AD 1
- 3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, August 14

- 10:00am Bible Study Group, Library
- 6:30pm Nominating Committee, AD 1
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts Troop 212, Fellowship Hall
- 7:00pm CM Teachers Meeting, EC8

Tuesday, August 15

- 9:00am Staff Meeting, AD 1
- 6:30pm Property & Finance Meeting, EC 8

Wednesday, August 16

- 6:30pm Worship & Music Meeting, Library
- 7:30pm Circle 4 Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Thursday, August 17

- 6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, August 18

- 6:00pm Latino Prayer Service, EC 6

Saturday, August 19

No events scheduled

Sunday, August 20

- 9:30am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship Service, Sanctuary

Carrie (Hicks) Calverley to Sing

Carrie Calverley, former Federated member and daughter of former Pastor Lee Hicks will be presenting the special music at the August 20 Sunday morning service. Carrie would love to meet and greet members of the congregation, but will need to do so prior to the service. She will be heading to Lincoln immediately following the service to assist her oldest daughter in preparing to start her college experience at Nebraska Wesleyan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For more details, visit www.federatedcolumbus.org, or contact the church office (402)564-2812.

This Week at Federated

Caring & Fellowship

Last Fling before that School Thing at Calvin Crest Camp will be August 11 - 12th (Fri afternoon—Sat afternoon) for youth entering 7th - 12th grade. Join for games, worship, swimming, hiking, campfire and more. Subsidized cost is only \$15.

Mission & Outreach

Searching for Volunteers - Volunteers needed for all time slots at the Quilt Raffle & Changing Station Booths, Sat. Aug. 19th. Please contact Marcia Dewald (402) 270-0188 or Cec Bartholomew (402) 564-0264

Big Kamp Kaleo Rummage Sale will be held at First Christian Church, Lincoln (16th & 'K' Street) on August 10 (Thurs 5-7pm), 11 (Fri 9am-4pm), 12 (Sat 9am-1pm) and 13 (Sun noon-3pm). Donations are accepted Aug 5&6, volunteers for sorting and pricing are needed Aug 7-10. For more info, contact Gwen (402) 430-8399.

Saturday, August 26, Camp Calvin Crest Fundraiser will be their 20th and final Annual BBQ (11a.m.-1p.m.) **and Quilt Auction.** Quilts on display for silent auction (10 a.m.-2 p.m.) and Live quilt auction at 1p.m. at Camp Calvin Crest (2870 County Road 13, Fremont.) On-line bidding at www.proxibid.com/calvincrest

The Social Concerns and Mission Committee will have a box out by the office area for donations to the Place at the Table/Backpack project starting Sunday, August 20th. Items may be brought thru the end of September. Needed are: 18 oz size of peanut butter (in plastic containers, not glass), 32 oz COMPLETE Pancake Mix and 15 oz LITE sliced peaches. Thank you for supporting this Mission Community Project.

Thank you to Charlotte Lambert and the many volunteer drivers and deliverers for their service the week of July 3. Federated's next week of delivery will be Sept. 11-15. Coordinator will be Cec Bartholomew - 402-564-0264.

Upcoming Preachers & Pastoral On-call

Rev. Edward and Pulpit Supply preachers will lead worship while Rev. Annika is on Study Leave.
Thurs., August 10 & Sun., Aug. 13: Rev. Kenn Leischner
Thurs., August 17 & Sun., Aug. 20: Rev. Edward
Thursday, August 24: Rev. Kenn Leischner
Sunday, August 27: Rev. Gary Eller

Please contact Rev. Edward for pastoral care during the summer.