

FEDERATED CHURCH



INTO OUR NEW CENTURY IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST



Baptism of the Lord

Thursday, January 10, and Sunday, January 13, 2019



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 this month are **Ushers are here to help you and** Hearing assistance devices and large print hymnals are also available. Ushering this month are Rick Porter (Thurs.), Tim Warren, Marv Zoucha and, Hunter Yang, 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.

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, and on TV at Noon on Spectrum Channel 1304 (HD) Mondays & Saturdays and Sunday at 8pm.

In case of an emergency, the pastors’ cell phone numbers are: Annika: (402) 942-1636 and Edward: (402) 302-2812.

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JOYS & CONCERNS

- ◆ Please hold Marcia Veach in your prayers while she is at Columbus Community Hospital.
- ◆ Please pray for Mary Parsons, Kristi Wolfe's mother, as she deals with congestive heart failure and other complications at an Omaha hospital.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, January 13

- 9:00am Adult Bible Education, EC 4/5
- 9:00am Sunday School, Ed. Center, Upper Room
- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, January 14

- 4:30pm Personnel Committee Meeting, EC 7
- 5:15pm Special Olympics Basketball, Gym
- 6:45pm Membership & Growth Meeting, EC 8
- 7:00pm Scouts Troop 212, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, January 15

- 4:00pm Tuesday After School Tutoring at Emerson
- 6:30pm Property & Finance Committee, EC 8
- 7:00pm PEO -Chapter FJ Meeting, Fellowship Hall
- 7:00pm Cub Scouts Pack 279, EC 7

Wednesday, January 16

- 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 7:30pm Youth Club, Upper Room, Gym

Thursday, January 17

- 5:00pm Special Olympics 5 on 5, Gym
- 6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, January 18

- 6:00pm Latino Prayer Service, EC 6

Saturday, January 19 - No events scheduled

Sunday, January 20

- 9:00am Adult Bible Education, EC 4/5
- 9:00am Sunday School, Ed. Center, Upper Room
- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship Service, Sanctuary

Mission and Outreach

Thank you to all who have signed up to serve a meal at the Rescue Mission in 2019! Only a few more dates need to be filled: **Aug. 9, Sept. 13, Oct. 11, and Dec. 13.** A sign up sheet is in the Narthex.

Meals on Wheels Thank you to the volunteers who delivered October 29 - November 2. **Federated's next week of service is January 14 - 18, 2019.** Coordinator will be Renee Bellum 402-563-2441.

Stewardship 2019

Thank you to all who have made a 2019 pledge! **108 households** have pledged! **56%** have increased their pledge to support for Federated Church's mission and outreach to the community and beyond.

- The Stewardship Committee



ANNOUNCEMENTS

9:00 a.m. Sunday All Ages Education Hour resumes January 6th!

Childrens' classrooms are in the Education Center and Youth are on the Second Floor

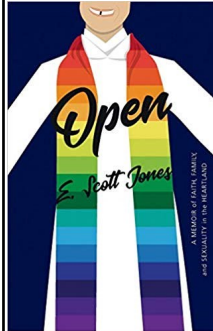
January Adult Education - Ed Room 4

The coffee is on! **Happy New Year!**

NEXT Sunday, January 20, we welcome the Rev. Dr. Scott Jones, Senior Pastor of First Central UCC Church in Omaha. Scott published

his memoir this past fall, which shares his journey of growing up in Oklahoma in a Baptist family.

When Scott discerned a call to ministry, and also embraced his identity as a gay man, his journey took unexpected turns. Scott will have copies of his book, titled "Open: A Memoir of Faith, Family, and Sexuality in the Heartland" available.



Sunday, January 27, Adult Education continues a new year series reflecting on how God is understood in the Bible, through history, and around the world.

Fellowship Opportunities

Walk to Jerusalem Do you keep track of your steps each day? Do you attend an exercise class? Great! All of these activities count to *Walk to Jerusalem* in 2019! Please see the attached flyer to learn how to be a part of this initiative in partnership with Columbus Community Hospital. Questions? Contact Rev. Annika annika@federatedcolumbus.org or (402) 564-2812.

2019 2 x 4 Dinners The Bible tells us how Jesus was invited into homes to share meals. At Federated we have been practicing this church-family-building concept for many years through our "2x4s Dinners Together" program. "2x4s" are simple affairs: participating households share three meals between March-April, May-July, and August-October. The host contacts the 3 other households to arrange a date. The host provides the main dish and the other guests bring either a salad, a side dish or a desert. Contact Bob Trautwein rjtraut@yahoo.com or 402 910 4341 if you would like to participate.

Mark your calendar for the
Annual Meeting of the Congregation
Sunday, February 26th

(immediately following 10:00 a.m. Worship Service)

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY JANUARY 10, AND SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019

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

*Prelude and Fugue in C Major
Shall We Gather at the River?
Lee Augustin, Organ & Piano*

BACH
ARR. WOOD

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

READING OF SCRIPTURE The Gospel according to Matthew 3: 13 - 17

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Friends, today we recall: Jesus came to the waters of baptism.

All: In baptism, our Creator claims and frees us.

One: In baptism, we are joined to Christ and we are joined together.

All: Let us remember, let us celebrate!

One: Let us worship God.

* OPENING HYMN NO. 57

The Snow Lay on the Ground (verses 1 & 2)

The hymn refrain "Venite adoremus Dominum" means "Come let us adore God"

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION & RECONCILIATION

All: Gracious God, help us understand the ways of your commandments and we will meditate on your wondrous works. Strengthen us according to your word. May we turn from false ways and have understanding of your ways.

One: All are invited to offer silent prayers.

DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

ROMANS & 2 CORINTHIANS 5

One: Amen. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone, a new life has begun.
Friends, hear the good news:

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

* THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: As sisters and brothers in Christ, we are no longer strangers but friends.

Let us celebrate God's mercy 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.

* RESPONSIVE SONG

Raise a Song of Gladness (sing twice)

Children are invited to come forward during the second time singing



Raise a song of glad-ness, peo-ples of the earth.



Christ has come, bring-ing peace, joy to ev - ery heart.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, joy to ev - ery heart!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, joy to ev - ery heart!

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

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

Edward Yang, Associate Pastor for Children, Youth, and Families

CHORAL ANTHEM (Sun.)

The Wonder of His Love
Bob Arp, Director

C. LEE & D. WAGNER

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.

* **RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 57**

The Snow Lay on the Ground (verses 3 & 4)

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Judy Trautwein, Liturgist (Sun.)

READING OF SCRIPTURE

The Gospels according to Mark 1: 1 - 11 and John 1: 29 - 34

Pew Bible New Testament pages 34-35, 92

SERMON

You're All Wet

Annika Lister Stroope, Senior Pastor

MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* **RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 494**

Out of Deep, Unordered Water

* **RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS**

One: Almighty God, we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith,

All: with all who have been baptized in your name. Keep us faithful to our baptism,

One: that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith,

All: that we may be rooted and grounded in love, and reflect the fruits of the Spirit.

* **AFFIRMATION OF COMMITMENT** *During the following hymns, all are welcome to remember your baptisms by coming forward to the baptismal font for prayer and a baptismal remembrance.*

RESPONSIVE HYMNS:

NO. 492

Baptized in Water

NO. 499

Wonder of Wonders

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

It Is Well with My Soul

ARR. DECO

* **DOXOLOGY†** *O Glorious God, to you we bring: Praise, treasure, time as offering;*

Come, Holy Spirit, with us dwell; Born is the Christ, Emmanuel! Amen.

P.M. TESTERMAN

* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

All: Holy God, give us such awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show you praise, not only with our lips but in our lives, by giving of ourselves and our resources to your service. We pray this in Christ's name. Amen.

* **CLOSING HYMN NO. 495**

We Know That Christ Is Raised (verses 1 - 3)

* **BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH:** The Gospel according to Luke 3: 21 - 22

* **CLOSING HYMN NO. 495**

We Know That Christ Is Raised (verse 4)

POSTLUDE

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

ARR. CALLAHAN

After praising God with the Postlude, all are warmly welcome to Sunday fellowship time with refreshments at Caf   La Fed, hosted this week by the Bells of Joy Choir.

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

† tune on page 592 of hymnal

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