



# FEDERATED CHURCH



Share the Gift  
of God

**Thursday,  
November 15,  
2018**

**Sunday  
November 18,  
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.

**Ushers are here to help you and** Hearing assistance devices and large print hymnals are also available. Ushering this month are Rick Porter (Thurs.), Donna Augspurger,

Georgia & Rod Behlen, and Celina Perrin, 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 .

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, or on Channel 99 (HD) Mondays & Saturdays at Noon and Sunday evenings at 8pm.

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

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	Donna Augspurger	Robin Lehr		

## JOYS & CONCERNS

♦ **Thank you!** These words don't seem adequate enough to convey my appreciation for all the kind words, thoughts and prayers I've received from this wonderful congregation during and after my recent inner ear surgery! There is definitely improvement with each passing day. Praise the Lord!

~Jim Rains, Office Manager

♦ We celebrate with the Lambert and Luedtke families at the birth of Cooper Mark, born July 12.

### THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

#### Sunday, November 18

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

#### Monday, November 19

9:30am Bible Study with Joie Taylor, EC 8  
12:00pm BIG PALS ~ LITTLE PALS, EC 8  
7:00pm Scouts Troop 212, Fellowship Hall

#### Tuesday, November 20

7:00am Tuesday Morning Book Discussion, EC 8  
8:00am Bible Study with Rev. Annika  
4:00pm Tuesday After School Tutoring at Emerson  
6:00pm Consonaires Rehearsal, Choir Room  
6:30pm Property & Finance Meeting, EC8  
7:00pm Cub Scouts Pack 279, Fellowship Hall

#### Wednesday, November 21

7:30pm Youth Club, Upper Room, Gym

#### Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 22

*Church Office Closed*

#### Friday, November 23

*Church Office Closed*

#### Saturday, Nov. 24

No Events Scheduled

#### Sunday, November 25

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

**Blue Christmas Service Dec. 6** Invite family, friends, and neighbors to this service, which acknowledges that the holiday season is a season of joy and of grief. Rev. Annika will preach and will be joined by the clergy of First United Methodist, Grace Episcopal, and St. Lukes' UCC for this special service. See attached flyer for details.

### Learning Opportunities

**Bible Study on Matthew** with Joie Taylor meets every other Monday from **9:30a.m. to 10:30a.m. in Room EC 8** to study chapter 4 & 5. Next Bible Study is **November 19**.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 9:00 a.m. Sunday Education Hour For All Ages

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

#### **November Adult Education - Ed Room 4**

*The coffee is on — all are welcome!*

#### **NEXT Week - November 25**

*Donna Epley is the new Director of the Platte County Food Pantry. Amid the holiday season, come hear from Donna about the Food Pantry's current needs.*

#### **December 2**

*Advent Bible Study Begins!*

### Mission and Outreach

**Rescue Mission Meal Sign Up** A signup sheet is in the Narthex for anyone wishing to provide the monthly meal for the Columbus Rescue Mission. Our church provides a meal on the second Friday of each month and the dates are indicated on the list. Thank you!

**Poinsettia Orders and Delivery** Poinsettias will once again bring color and joy to the Sanctuary in the upcoming season of Advent. *Please order poinsettias using the green insert form —forms can be placed in offering plates and/or in the white mailbox next to the church office door.* The deadline to order is Monday, **November 26**. Plants purchased elsewhere are welcome in sanctuary. **Please label your plant with your name if you wish to collect it after the Christmas Eve services.** *Please note:* plants remaining in the Sanctuary after the Christmas Eve services will be placed in Fellowship Hall for anyone who attends the Christmas Day Dinner to take one to brighten their home or to deliver to others. Labels will not be placed on plants by the church staff. Thank you in advance for plant donations that brighten the Sanctuary!

~ Order of St. Andrew

### Communicate & Connect

**Attention Committee Chairs and Group Leaders:** Friday, **December 7th** is the Deadline for Reports for the **Annual Report** unless your report is financial or you have made arrangements with the church office. Call **402-564-2812** if you have any questions.

**Miss a Worship Service?** Did you know that **all** of Federated's worship services are on video on the church website? Visit [www.federatedcolumbus.org](http://www.federatedcolumbus.org) to view past sermons, choral & bell anthems, special music, and children's sermons - and share with friends!

**Do you use Facebook?** "Like" the Federated Church page to receive sermon snippets and event notices!

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15 AND SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 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

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*  
*Now Let Us All Praise the Lord*  
Lee Augustin, Organ & Piano

ARR. HOBBY  
PACHELBEL

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

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Roland Augspurger

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

One: May thanksgiving be more than a special day,

**All: may it be, for us, a way of life.**

One: We have been enriched in every way for great generosity.

**All: Thanksgiving be to God!**

One: Let us worship God.

### \* OPENING HYMN NO. 551

***Come Ye Thankful People Come*** (verses 1 & 2)

Brielle Wolfe, Acolyte

### UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RECONCILIATION

**All: O God, we know that we forget to love you, to help our neighbors, and to thank you. Grant us clear minds to know you, new hearts to love you, courage to serve you. May our whole lives be thanksgiving to you.**

One: Let us offer silent prayers of confession.

### DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

One: Amen. When we face God with the awareness of our needs,

**All: God gives us grace to grow and courage to continue the journey.  
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. 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.

### \* RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 551

***Come Ye Thankful People Come*** (verses 3 & 4)

*All children are invited forward during verse 4 for a special message in the Children's Sermon.*

### CHILDREN'S SERMON

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

BELLS OF JOY

*Praise to the Lord*  
Stuart Gausman, Director

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### PASTORAL PRAYER 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

### \* SONG OF PRAISE

***Bringing in the Sheaves*** (verse 1) (please see insert/screen)

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

**LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

First Samuel 1: 21 - 2: 1a

Pew Bible Old Testament page 245

SERMON

*"for the Lord"* (1 Samuel 1: 28b)

Annika Lister Stroope, Senior Pastor

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

**MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION**

**\* SONG OF PRAISE**

*Bringing in the Sheaves* (verses 2 & 3) (please see insert/screen)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*A Simple Song of Joy*  
Dana Brandt, flute

KELLER

**\* DOXOLOGY** (TUNE WITH HYMN NO. 591)

ROGER C. LYNN

*Praise God whose breath fills all the earth; Whose love reveals our sacred worth;  
Whose Spirit forms one family; Whose grace brings peace and harmony. Amen.*

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)**

FEASTING ON THE WORD

**All:** Gracious God, source of our daily bread and Sabbath trust, you feed us with your love and equip us to share in your purpose. Receive the offerings of our wounded spirits, our guarded purses, our meager strength, and continue to expand our hearts. We pray this in the name of your son, Jesus, and by the power of your Spirit. Amen.

**\* CLOSING HYMN No. 554**

*Let All Things Now Living* (verse 1)

**\* BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH**

**\* CLOSING HYMN No. 554**

*Let All Things Now Living* (verse 2)

POSTLUDE

*Give Thanks!*

SMITH

*After praising God with the Postlude, all are warmly welcome to Sunday fellowship time with refreshments, hosted this week by the Personnel Committee.*



***Federated Church hosts the 2018  
ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING  
WORSHIP SERVICE***

***TODAY - Sunday, November 18***

***4 o' clock p.m.***

***Invite family, friends, and neighbors!***

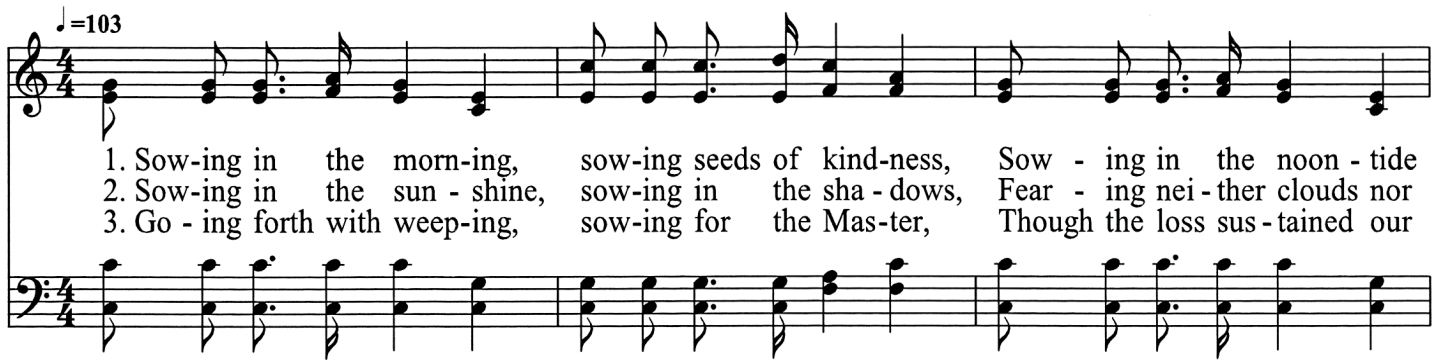
***Participating Congregations: Federated, First United  
Methodist, Grace Episcopal, St. Luke's UCC***

# Bringing in the Sheaves

Knowles Shaw, 1874

George A. Minor, 1880

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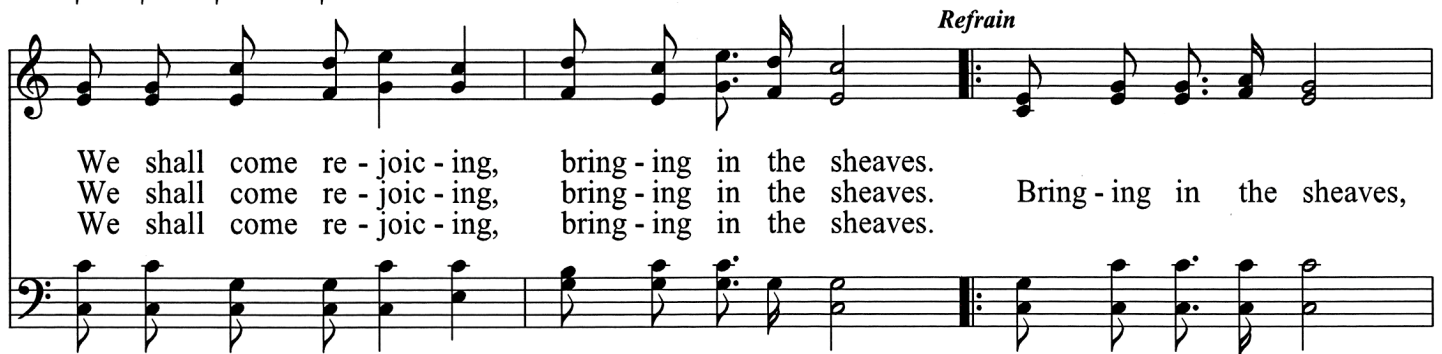


1. Sow-ing in the morn-ing, sow-ing seeds of kind-ness, Sow - ing in the noon - tide  
2. Sow-ing in the sun - shine, sow-ing in the sha - dows, Fear - ing nei - ther clouds nor  
3. Go - ing forth with weep-ing, sow-ing for the Mas-ter, Though the loss sus - tained our



and the dew - y eve; Wait - ing for the har-vest, and the time of reap-ing,  
win-ter's chill-ing breeze; By and by the har-vest, and the la - bor end - ed,  
spir-it of - ten grieves; When our weep-ing's o - ver, He will bid us wel - come,

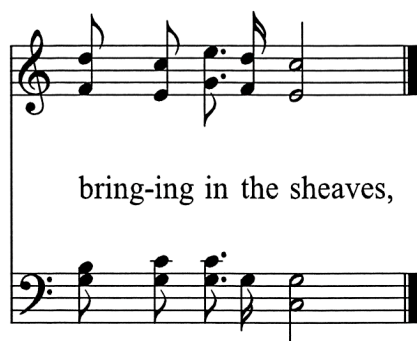
*Refrain*



We shall come re - joic - ing, bring - ing in the sheaves.  
We shall come re - joic - ing, bring - ing in the sheaves. Bring - ing in the sheaves,  
We shall come re - joic - ing, bring - ing in the sheaves.



bring-ing in the sheaves, We shall come re-joic - ing, bring-ing in the sheaves, ing,



bring-ing in the sheaves,





# Blue Christmas

## Worship Service

Thursday, December 6, 2018  
6:30 PM at Federated Church  
2704 15th Street, Columbus

Jointly Sponsored by  
Grace Episcopal Church,  
First United Methodist Church,  
St. Luke's United  
Church of Christ,  
and the Federated Church,  
with cooperation from  
Hospice of Columbus  
Community Hospital

Christmas isn't always joyful.  
You are not alone.  
Come; bring your sorrow to the manger.