



# FEDERATED CHURCH

INTO OUR NEW CENTURY IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST



**Third  
Sunday  
of  
Lent**



**Thursday,  
March 21 and  
Sunday  
March 24,  
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 (Thursday), Randy Kaspar, John and Marilyn Petersen, Clark Smith, and Meg Weeder, Youth Usher (Sunday).

**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](http://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 pastor’s cell phone number is:** Edward: (402) 302-2812.

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## JOYS & CONCERNS

- ◆ Please lift up Jane Ellefson in your prayers as she travels to Albuquerque, NM to be with her brother who is now in hospice care.
- ◆ Please hold Ellie Doughty in your prayers. Cards of encouragement may be sent to her at her **new** address: Mid-Nebraska Lutheran home, 109 N. 2nd St, Room # 301, Newman Grove, NE 68758
- ◆ Please pray for Amanda Winig who is facing long-term health challenges to her mobility.

## THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

### Sunday, March 24

- 9:00am Sunday School, Ed. Center, Upper Room
- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:15am Youth Summer Mission Prep Meeting, EC8
- 3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship, Sanctuary

### Monday, March 25

- 7:00pm Boy Scouts Troop 212, Fellowship Hall

### Tuesday, March 26

- 7:00am Tuesday Book Group, Fellowship Hall
- 10:00am Staff Meeting, AD 1
- 4:00pm Tuesday After School Tutoring at Emerson
- 6:00pm Consonaires Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 7:00pm Governing Council Meeting, EC 8
- 7:00pm Cub Scouts, EC 7/8

### Wednesday, March 27

- 12:05pm Lenten Luncheon @ 1st United Methodist Church
- 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 6:30pm H.I.S. Puppet Practice, EC 3/Fellowship Hall
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 7:30pm Youth Club, Upper Rooms & Gym

### Thursday, March 28

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

### Friday, March 29

- 9:00am MOPS Leadership Meeting, B 23, Gym
- 6:00pm Latino Prayer Service, Ed Center Room 6

### Saturday, March 30

- 9:00am Prep for Taste of Federated, Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, March 31

- 9:00am Sunday School, Ed. Center, Upper Room
- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:00am Taste of Federated, Fellowship Hall
- 3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship, Sanctuary

### New book for the Christian Book Discussion Group

The book, "A Glad Obedience, Why and What we Sing" by Walter Brueggemann, will be the next book to be reviewed at the Tuesday morning Christian Book Discussion. The author examines 15 popular hymns and explores the reasons they recast the world in which we live. Copies of this book are available at Amazon.com. Mark your calendars to meet with us at 7:00 AM on Tuesday, March 26th for breakfast and a stimulating discussion in Fellowship Hall. In preparation, read the introduction and first chapter of the book.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 9:00 a.m. Sunday Education Hour

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



12:05 PM / Worship  
Soup Lunch \$5.00  
March 13 to April 10

First UMC  
2710 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
Fellowship Hall

Federated · First UMC · Grace Episcopal · St. Luke's UCC

### REMINDER!

**High School Senior Scholarship Applications are due in the church office by 4:30 PM (or postmarked) on Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>! Late applications may be subject to a reduction penalty!** If you have any questions, please call the church office (402) 564-2812 and speak with Jim Rains. Thank you!

### Please Help!

While we explore various options for recycling, the Church Office needs your help! If you recycle at home and would be willing to take some of the church's paper and/or cardboard to include with your curbside recycling, please stop by the church office. If you are aware of a community resource for cardboard and/or paper recycling, please call the church office (402) 564-2812 and speak with Jim Rains. Thank you!



### Walk to Jerusalem

Great job, everybody!

Please keep sending in your steps/ miles/minutes for the Walk to Jerusalem! Spring is near!

- 2000 steps = 1 mile
- 20 minutes of any kind of exercise = 1 mile
- Walk the Church Gym weekdays 8a.m. to 4:30p.m.
- Columbus Middle School is open 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. for walking when the weather is cold
- Report your miles:
  - > Visit [www.federatedcolumbus.org](http://www.federatedcolumbus.org)
  - Click on the footprints, an email to the church pops up, enter your miles, and send!
  - > Email [fcstaff@federatedcolumbus.org](mailto:fcstaff@federatedcolumbus.org)

# WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, MARCH 21, AND SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 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

*Where'er You Walk*  
*Amazing Grace*  
Lee Augustin, Piano & Organ

HANDEL  
ARR. HIELSCHER

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

MOMENT FOR MISSION (SUN.)

Taste of Federated

## \* CALL TO WORSHIP

FEASTING ON THE WORD

One: Everyone who thirst:

**All: Come to the waters, seek the Lord, repent and return so that you may live.**

One: All who are hungry for righteousness:

**All: Come to the waters, seek the Lord, repent and return so that you may live.**

One: All who need the help of God:

**All: Come to the waters, seek the Lord, repent and return so that you may live.**

One: Let us worship God!

## \* OPENING HYMN NO. 142

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

Toby Sand, Acolyte

## UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that we have grown complacent in our response to you. You set before us a rich feast of blessing, but we are drawn to lesser things that cannot satisfy. You call us to attend to urgent needs in the world, but we indulge our own desires. Our ways are not your ways; our thoughts do not ascend to your thoughts. Forgive us when we fall short of your claim upon our lives. Disturb our complacency and quicken our desire for a more fruitful life. Be patient, we pray, as we amend who we are, in the hope of becoming who you intend us to be. We ask this in the name of our Savior, your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

## MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

## DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

One: God's love is sure and steadfast, always providing a way out, a way through, a way back to God.

**All: Through the waters of baptism, we have died with Christ and are raised with him.**

One: With gratitude, in faith, we will walk the way of Christ.

**All: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

CHORAL ANTHEM (Sun.)

*Gentle Voice*  
Bob Arp, Director; Tara Kamrath, violin

DENGLER & DENGLER

## \* 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 SONG #2193** *Sing the Faith Songbook (SUN.)* **Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying**

## WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

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

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Annie Lange & Mark Garcia Lopez, Liturgists

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

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 55 : 1 - 9

Gospel According to Luke 13 : 1 - 9

PEW BIBLE OLD TESTAMENT PAGES 685-686

PEW BIBLE NEW TESTAMENT PAGE 76

SERMON

*When Bad Things Happen...*

Edward Yang, Associate Pastor

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - THE APOSTLES' CREED (BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, MODERN ENGLISH)**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
and he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy universal Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**\* RESPONSIVE HYMN**

**THE GIFTS OF GOD ARE FREE**

*please see music on attached sheet*

**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

OFFERTORY

*Prayer*

GUILMANT

**\* DOXOLOGY †**

*Praise God throughout these forty days. Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise  
And praise the Spirit who imparts, God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.*

**\* UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

God of wilderness and Promised Land, in days of want and in days of plenty you have been with us.  
By these gifts we now share, may others know of your providence and care. Send us – not only our offerings, but our very selves – to console and comfort, to lift up and reach out, to listen and sit beside your children everywhere at the one Table you have set; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**\* CLOSING HYMN NO. 399**

***We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight***

**\* BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

*Benediction in F*

LEFEBURE-WELY

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 Good Shepherd Worship Service Leaders.

## The Gifts of God Are Free

ST. THOMAS 6.6.8.6 ("I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord")

1. The gifts of God are free—the the  
2. O God, of we God tend are to see a  
3. And yet you and give your grace like  
4. There's joy, and joy to spare; there's

wa - ter, milk, and wine; the feast of God's com -  
world of lim - its here; we share your gifts re -  
food from heaven a - bove; your church be - comes a -  
bread that sat - is - fies; you call us now to

mu - ni - ty is set— for all to dine.  
luc - tant - ly and hoard them out of fear.  
wel - come place, a ban - quet of your love.  
seek and share your love that chan - ges lives.

Biblical Reference: Isaiah 55:1-9

Tune: *The Universal Psalmist*, 1763; adapted by Aaron Williams, 1770

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We would like to have greeters before the Sunday morning services. Please fill out the form below with your name, contact information and what month(s) you might be available. We will try to do a month at a time, but people may be able to share a month also.

*Nila Novotny, Membership and Growth Committee*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Month(s)/date(s) available \_\_\_\_\_

*This doesn't mean you'll have to do more than one month, but gives flexibility*



**EASTER FLOWERS**

Please **order flowers** by April 8th.  
Easter Flowers are given to God's glory,  
and may also be designated as a memorial  
and/or given in honor of special persons.



ANY PLANTS REMAINING IN THE SANCTUARY AFTER THE EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES, WILL BE DISTRIBUTED DURING THE NEXT WEEK. THE LILIES AND BEGONIAS WILL HELP US EXTEND THE LOVE OF CHRIST TO FOLKS RESIDING IN THE RETIREMENT CENTERS AND NURSING HOMES OF COLUMBUS. YOUR DONATION IS GREATLY APPRECIATED. **- THE ORDER OF ST. ANDREW**

	Quantity	Total
Lily - \$9.00		\$
Begonia - \$15.00		\$
Grand Total - due to church office by April 8th		\$

**Plants purchased elsewhere are welcome.**  
**Please label it with your name**  
**if you wish to collect it after the service.**

Donor Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

To God's glory and in memory of \_\_\_\_\_

To God's glory and in honor of \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this form and payment to church office**  
**in offering plates or in the white mailbox by the church office door by April 8th. Thank you!**  
Make checks payable to Federated Church. Please note 'Easter Flowers' on the memo line.