



# FEDERATED CHURCH

INTO OUR NEW CENTURY IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST



## Thursday, August 23, and Sunday, August 26, 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.

**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:

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

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## JOYS & CONCERNS

- ◆ We give thanks to God for the life of Phyllis Elliot and hold Chuck and her family in our prayers. Phyllis died Aug. 20 at Brookestone. The funeral service was on Friday, Aug. 24 here at Federated Church.
- ◆ We give thanks to God for the life of Marian Hanner and hold her son Whitney and family in our prayers. Marian died Aug. 19 at home. All are welcome to a graveside Memorial Service at Columbus Cemetery at 11 a.m. on August 31.
- ◆ We give thanks to God for the life of Debbie Church and hold her family in our prayers. Debbie died Aug. 20 in Genoa. A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 29 at McKown Funeral Home. Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 28 at McKown Funeral Home. Interment will be at the Columbus Cemetery.
- ◆ Our condolences to Margaret Nyffler, whose daughter Jody Czaplá died unexpectedly in Missouri on Aug. 21. Services will be held in Missouri.
- ◆ Congratulations to Jessica Leischner and Matthew McCulley on their August 3 wedding in Alexandria, VA. Jessica is the daughter of Kathy and Kenn Leischner.
- ◆ At Columbus Hospital: Sherry Miller
- ◆ At Brookestone Acres: Irene Dare, Carol Vollbracht.

### THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

#### Sunday, August 26

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

#### Monday, August 27

- 7:00pm CM Teachers Meeting, EC8
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts Troop 212, Fellowship Hall

#### Tuesday, August 28

- 6:00pm Consonaires rehearsal, Choir Room
- 7:00pm Governing Council Meeting, EC 8
- 7:00pm Cub Scouts Pack 279, Fellowship Hall

#### Wednesday, August 29

No events scheduled

#### Thursday, August 30

- 6:30pm Thursday Worship Service, Sanctuary

#### Friday, August 31

- 6:00pm Latino Prayer Service, EC 6

#### Saturday, September 1

#### Sunday, September 2

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

#### Monday, September 3 Labor Day

Church Office Closed

**Young Children in Summer Sunday Worship:** The Library adjacent to the Sanctuary is available with children-friendly activities. Parents/guardians need to stay with children in the Library. If there are any needs, please inform a pastor. Thank you for understanding!

**Church Nursery Attendant Needed** to care for children ages 0-3 on Sunday mornings. Please contact Rev. Edward [edward@federatedcolumbus.org](mailto:edward@federatedcolumbus.org) (402) 564-2812 with questions and send resumes Attn: Rev. Edward to Federated's P.O. Box 564, Columbus, NE 68602 More information on the church webpage: <http://federatedcolumbus.org/wp-content/uploads/Federated-Church-Nursery-Attendant-Job-Posting.pdf>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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



Mark your calendar!  
New Times for  
Sunday  
Education Hour &  
Worship begin  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9**

Education Hour at 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.

At 9:00 a.m.

Children pre-K to 4th grade learn from the "Holy Moly" curriculum, 5th and 6th graders look forward to "Connect," and 7th Graders start a two year confirmation program alongside 8th graders! Senior Highs dive into scripturally based lessons relevant for teens.

ALL ADULTS are invited to kick-off a great year of Adult Education with a report from Dr. Nilá and John Novotny about the Columbus Medical Mission Trip to Zambia!

**Chancel Choir begins a new year and we would love to have more singers!** We rehearse 7:30 to 8:30 pm Wednesdays (beginning Sept. 5) and sing most Sunday mornings through May (typically off the 3rd Sunday of the month when Bell Choir plays). If you love to sing, laugh, and touch others' lives, we have a place for you! Questions? Contact Bob Arp 402-750-6115 or any choir members.

### Mission & Outreach

**Meals on Wheels - Federated Church** will deliver meals August 27 - 31. Coordinator is Cec Bartholomew (402-564-0264). Please accept thank-yous from the coordinators as well as the meal recipients.

**The Social Concerns Committee requests donations to "A Place at the Table,"** also called **"The Backpack Program."** of buttermilk 24 oz. pancake mix, plastic containers of pancake syrup and 16 oz. plastic containers of peanut butter. Donations put on the table in the Narthex Aug. 19 - Sept. 30. Thank you!

*"Our prayers may be awkward. Our attempts may be feeble. But since the power of prayer is in the One who hears it and not in the one who says it, our prayers do make a difference."*

~Max Lucado

Can you take one minute to accept a text or phone call? Will you give one minute to breathe a prayer?

Add your name to the prayer chain.

Text or call 402-910-3586

email [bjs.sanderson@gmail.com](mailto:bjs.sanderson@gmail.com)

~Order of St. Andrew

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23 AND SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 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

*Moderato Maestoso*  
Lee Augustin, Organ & Piano

DUBOIS

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

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

CREDO

One: The world belongs to God, the earth and all people.

**All: How good and how lovely it is to live together in unity.**

One: Love and faith come together, joy and yearning open our hearts.

**All: We come now with all who hunger and thirst for life in its fullness.**

One: Open our lips, O God, and our mouths shall proclaim your praise!

**All: This is the day that God has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

\* OPENING HYMN NO. 417 ***Christ is Made the Sure Foundation***

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: God of all life, you are near us everywhere, in everyone we meet and all we do.

**All: Here among caring friends, we lay our lives before you, from whom nothing in us is hidden.  
We admit our faults and folly:**

**ways we wound our lives, the lives of others, and the life of all creation**

**We lament hurtful words and thoughtless deeds, selfish greed more than grace and generosity.**

**Move among us, God; in your mercy heal our hearts, renew our minds, give us life in Christ.**

### KYRIE (SING THE FAITH SONGBOOK #2277)

***Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.***

***Though red like crimson is my sin, greater yet is forgiveness found in Christ.***

### MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PEACE

One: Friends, hear the good news! God raised Jesus from the dead,  
breaking the power of sin and evil, to redeem all creation.

Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,  
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,  
God loves us faithfully still!

**All: With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from God's love in our Savior, Jesus Christ!**

One: In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, strive to serve Christ in daily tasks,  
and to live holy and joyful lives, as we work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.  
The peace of Christ be with you!

**All: And also with you!**

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

#### SPECIAL MUSIC (SUN.)

*God and Dog (lyrics below)*  
Rebecca Timperley

W.J. FRANCISCO

I look up and I see God. I look down and see my dog. Simple spelling GOD, same words backwards DOG.  
They would stay with me all day. I'm the one who walks away, but both of them just wait for me,  
and dance at my return with glee.

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

Both love me no matter what. Divine God and canine mutt.  
I take it hard each time I fail, but God forgives, dog wags his tail.

God thought up and made the dog. Dog reflects a part of God.  
I've seen love from both sides now, it's everywhere amen bow wow.

I look up and I see God. I look down and see my dog.  
And in my human frailty, I can't match their love for me.

### LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Wilma Arp, Liturgist (Sun.)

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Kings 8 : 1, 6, 10-11, 22-30, 41-43

*Pew Bible Old Testament, pages 311 - 312*

One: This is the Word of God, for the people of God

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*Where is God?*

Edward Yang, Associate Pastor

### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

**MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION**

\* HYMN NO. 343

*Called as Partners in Christ's Service*

**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

*Swing Low, Sweet Chariot*

ED. KALUZ

\* 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

Loving Christ, take us, reshape us and our world in your love. Expect much from us and empower many things through us. Lead us beyond all fear to live as one in your grace and peace, serving as inhabitants of earth and citizens of your heavenly realm. Amen.

\* CLOSING HYMN NO. 376

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

\* CHARGE & BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*A Festive Postlude*

ROFF

***After praising God with the Postlude, all are warmly welcome to Sunday Fellowship time with refreshments, hosted this week by Clark and Marcia Grant.***

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

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