



FEDERATED CHURCH

INTO OUR NEW CENTURY IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST



Thursday, May 25 and Sunday, May 28, 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: Rick Porter (Thurs.);

Jeanne Johnson, Rodger Grisham, Tim Warren, Dennis Vollbracht (Sun.).

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 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 case of an emergency, the pastor’s cell phone number is:

Edward: (402) 302-2812

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Paul Sanderson				

PREPARING FOR GOD'S WORD

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

PRELUDE

*On Higher Ground
Amazing Grace
Lee Augustin, Organ & Piano*

ARR. LABENSKE
ARR. HIELSCHER

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Please sign and pass Friendship Folders to your neighbors.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: What a beautiful morning! As we begin our worship, we praise God remembering the Sabbath, keeping our time together holy.

All: We welcome the Lord's Day and share our commitment with one another to keep it holy as our way of thanking and praising God.

One: Honor God's holy name with a joyful heart, a friendly smile, and loving words.

All: We are ready to make it happen! Blessing and honor and glory and power be unto Him! Forever we pray!

*OPENING HYMN NO. 464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

God of our world and our universe, as You ascend before us in glory and power, we make our confession, knowing You already forgive us and offer us Your grace. Voices of denial and negativity seek our attention. We long for Your voice of peace, assurance, gratitude and love. Forgive us when we throw in the towel and follow the luring whispers of fear and failure. Call us back from death to life and raise us with You, we pray! Inspire us to ascend to a high level of believing, serving and sharing our faith! In Your holy name we pray, and we act! AMEN.

DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

ROMANS 8 & 2 CORINTHIANS 5

One: Amen. Friends, hear the good news: there is no place where the love of God cannot dwell.

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

* HYMN NO. 306

Fairest Lord Jesus

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC (SUN.)

In the Garden
Kathy Orr, Soloist

C. AUSTIN MILES

* 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.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON (SUN.)

All children are invited forward for a special message.
Edward Yang, Associate Pastor

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

READING OF SCRIPTURE

1 Peter 4: 12 - 14; 5: 6 - 11
The Acts of the Apostles 1: 6 - 14
John 17: 1 - 11

PEW BIBLE NEW TESTAMENT, PAGE 235
PEW BIBLE NEW TESTAMENT, PAGE 118
PEW BIBLE NEW TESTAMENT, PAGE 111

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

SERMON (THURS.)

Pastor Adam Lassen

(SUN.)

THE SPIRIT OF GOD IS RESTING UPON YOU!

Rev. Jim Splitt

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION

*** RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 142**

All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Steal Away

ARR. KALUZA

*** DOXOLOGY †**

***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**

All: We give you thanks, Holy God, that you have known us like a loving mother, that you have sought to unlock our prisons of worry, that you have made this earth to be our haven, filled with creatures and plants you clothe and cradle just as you care for us. May our lives and our offerings become nurture for this world, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

*** CLOSING HYMN NO. 526**

For All the Saints

*** BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH**

POSTLUDE

Benediction

KARG/ELERT

After praising God with the Postlude, all are warmly welcome to Sunday Fellowship time in the Narthex.

Our guest pastor Thursday, is Adam Lassen from St. Luke’s UCC. Adam was authorized by the Living Waters Association (Nebraska Conference, United Church of Christ) and duly installed as a Pastor at St. Luke’s on December 8, 2013. For over 10 years Adam has served St. Luke’s as Organist and Choir Director. As the newest Pastor at St. Luke’s, Adam continues to provide for the musical aspects of worship, and now also brings his medical training to bear as Pastor for Congregational Health. When he isn’t tickling the ivories at St. Luke’s, Adam works as a nurse and as director of the memory care unit at Columbus Care Center.

Our guest pastor Sunday, is Rev. Jim Splitt from Wahoo. He is married to Kathleen, who serves as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Wahoo. Kathleen is from York, NE. Jim grew up in Virginia close to Washington D.C. He retired in February 2013 from First Presbyterian Church, Adrian MI. He presently serves our presbytery as pulpit supply and member of the Committee on Ministry. Jim is the Chaplain for Saunders County Hospice in Wahoo. He is President of the Board of Directors for the Presbytery Pastoral Care Network, a national Presbyterian organization that supports the care of pastors throughout our denomination. He is a graduate of Concordia College in Moorhead MN, Hamma School of Theology, The Westchester Institute for Counseling and Psychotherapy and Siena Heights University. Jim enjoys biking, sailing, cooking, photography, hiking, playing guitar and hammered dulcimer. Jim & Kathleen have a blended family and are parents of 6 boys, all grown and living in Minneapolis, MN Louisville KY, Cincinnati OH, and Omaha. Jim and Kathleen have a dog & cat, Frodo and Mariah.

Vacation Bible School is June 5 - 9

at First United Methodist Church. Federated, First Methodist, and St. Luke’s churches collaborate for this fun week of learning and serving! Children from age 3 through 4th grade are welcome Registration forms are in the Narthex. Invite friends, neighbors, extended family! Requesting ADULT VOLUNTEERS AND TEENAGE HELPERS! Please contact Pastor Edward if you can help.



***As you are able in body or in spirit, please rise. † tune on page 592 of hymnal**

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JOYS & CONCERNS

- ◆ Share your prayers for safe travel, learning, and serving with the Alumni Mission Trip to Cuba from May 27 through June 2.
- ◆ Please hold Kenn & Kathy Leischner in your prayers. Kenn is back at home.
- ◆ Please hold Carolyn, Cynthia, and Bill Irby in your prayers. Carolyn is residing at Brookestone. Cynthia continues to have cancer treatments.
- ◆ Please pray for Phyllis Elliott who asked for “better health to get out and be around people.”

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, May 28

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

Monday, May 29

Memorial Day - Church Office Closed

Tuesday, May 30

- 9:00am Staff Meeting, AD 1
- 6:00pm Consonaires Rehearsal, Choir Room

Wednesday, May 31

- 6:00pm W&M - Personnel Committees Mtg., EC 8
- 7:00pm Youth Club, Gym, Upper Room

Thursday, June 1

- 6:30 pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, June 2

- 6:00pm Latino Prayer Service, EC 6

Saturday, June 3

- 12:00pm Bridal Shower, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, June 4

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

Congratulations, Post-High School Grads!

Skylar Dreesen, daughter of Terry and Renee Norris, graduated magna cum laude from UNO on May 5th. She completed her bachelors in public health. Her future plans are to complete a internship with Nebraska Medicine and is employed at Metro Credit Union as a assistant manager.

Jeremy West received a B.S. in Education and the mathematics department merit award from Chadron State College. He is Shelby-Rising City's new STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) Teacher and Integration Specialist. Jeremy and Rev. Annika thank Federated for prayers and encouragement during Jeremy's transition from engineering to teaching.

The KOLN-KGIN 10-11 Can Caravan will be in Columbus on Tuesday, June 6 this year. Please bring Vacation Bible School canned food donations to the church before that date .

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

This Week at Federated

Summer Special Music Needed! If you or someone you know can share special music this summer, please sign up on the bulletin board in the choir room. What a great way to share your God given gift with others!

Mission & Outreach

5th and 6th Grade Day Camp is Thursday, June 1 from 9am to 4pm at Camp Luther with Pastor Edward and leaders from First Methodist. Cost is \$5. Friends of Federated and First Methodist students are welcome! What to expect: swimming, canoeing, bonfire lunch, Bible lesson, and loads of FUN! RSVP to (402) 564-8463 or sarah.borgman@columbusfumc.com.

CUBA! On June 4th the alumni returning from Cuba will share a brief report about their experience immediately after worship, in the sanctuary. PLEASE STAY ---it will be such fun to hear the kids tell about worship and work in a country where the culture is so different. Many, many thanks to the congregation for the generous support that made this trip possible.

Mark your calendar for Federated's **Habitat for Humanity** build day on **Saturday, June 10.** Volunteers are needed for working and to make lunch and snacks. If you can help in any way, please contact Steve Heinisch (402) 564-9614.



Caring & Fellowship

Soon in June! The **Annual Kitchen Clean-Up will be June 20** at 9 a.m. Come for all, or whatever part of the day works for you. Both cleaning and inventory are done, and yes, we have fun!

Looking Ahead: Annual Garage & Bake Sale July 15

Preachers in June

Rev. Edward and Pulpit Supply preachers will lead worship while Rev. Annika is on Study Leave.
Thursday, June 1 - Rev. Cindi Stewart of First Methodist
Sunday, June 4 - Pastor Linda Newman, Fremont UCC
Alumni Cuba Mission Trip report after worship
June 6 & 7 - Rev. Jane Ellefson on-call
Thursday, June 8 & Sunday, June 11 - Rev. Edward
Thursday, June 15 & Sunday, June 18 - Rev. Edward

Phil Wilson Scholarship Renewals

Federated Church Foundation Scholarship Renewal Applications have been mailed out. Please contact **Jim in the church office** if you do not receive yours. Applications are **due back** to the church office **with an official transcript** (or copy) **no later than June 23.** Late applications are subject to a reduction penalty.