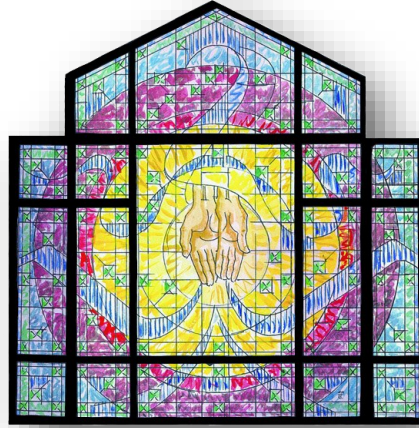


FEDERATED CHURCH



Into Our New Century in the Spirit of Christ
 Thursday, January 2, and Sunday, January 5, 2020



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 Church.

The **Library & “Cry Room”** at the back of the Sanctuary is child friendly and include Sanctuary sound.

Children’s Activity Bags are at the Sanctuary entrance.

There is no child care available in the nursery today.

Ushers are here to help you — please ask them if you need hearing assistance devices and large print hymnals — ushering this week are John & Linda McPhail and Tim & Chris Warren.

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

Governing Council 2019 - Federated Church Elders			Federated Church Clergy and Staff	
Bill Royer, <i>President</i> (402-564-8012) Marcia Grant, <i>Vice President</i> Louise Moran, <i>Secretary</i>			Rev. Edward Yang, Ph.D. <i>Acting Head of Staff & Associate Pastor for CYF</i> edward@federatedcolumbus.org	
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	Terry Millard	Terry Norris	Stuart Gausman <i>Bell Choir Director</i>	
			Lay Pastor Antonio Garcia <i>El Buen Pastor Fellowship</i>	

JOYS & CONCERNS

◆ If you have any joys or concerns, please share with the congregation by informing the office staff/pastor.

◆ Please pray for the family of Zell Millard, father of Terry Millard, who passed away on December 19th.

Volunteer & Engagement Opportunities
(if you would like more information, contact the person mentioned in the ad)

NEEDED: Story Tellers for Children's Sermon - please talk to Brenda Sand

Open Prayer Times - second Tuesday of every month at 11:30am - please contact the Church Office or Barb Sanderson

Tuesday Morning Book Discussion - Tuesdays at 7am with coffee and a light breakfast - will resume January 7th; contact Bob Trautwein

Lectionary Bible Studies - Tues. @1:00pm and Weds. @4:30pm - please contact Pastor Edward (NO Bible Studies on Christmas & New Year's weeks; restart Jan. 7th & 8th)

"Sunday Lunch Bunches"

Runza Funza - Meets each Sunday at Runza, contact Tim & Val Rathje or Max & Ashli Porter
Batter Up - Meet at Super Buffet on January 12th, contact Bill & Jean Royer or Ben & Marilyn Vrana
ABC - All 'Bout Conversation - Meets January 5th at El Mezcal, contact Barb Olson or John & Nila Novotny
**For more information, coordinators are listed. If you have a Small Group event coming up, make sure to contact the church office so we can add it here!

No Education Hour on Jan. 5th.
9:00 AM Education Hour for children, confirmants, youth and adults will resume on Jan. 12, 2020.

Federated Church is still having issues with emails that end with @neb.rr.com .

If you have another email address that you use, please contact the office to update your account. Thank you!

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, January 5

10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, January 6

5:15pm OSA Meeting, Library

5:00pm Special Olympics Practice, Gym

7:00pm Scouts Troop 212 Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, January 7

7:00am Tues. Morning Book Discussion, Fellowship Hall

1:00pm Lectionary Afternoon Bible Study, EC8

6:00pm Consonaires Rehearsal, Choir Room

7:00pm Worship & Music Committee Meeting, EC8

7:00pm Cub Scouts Pack 279, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, January 8

10:00am Staff Meeting, AD2

4:30pm Lectionary Evening Bible Study, AD2

6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

6:30pm Youth Club, Upper Rooms

7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, January 9

5:00pm Special Olympics 5 on 5, Gym

6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

7:00pm Cub Scouts Pack 279, EC 7

Friday, January 10

8:30am MOPS Meeting, EC rooms, FH, Gym

6:00pm Latino Prayer Service, EC6

Saturday, January 11 No events scheduled

Sunday, January 12

9:00am Education Hour, EC Rooms, Upper Rooms

10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary

11:00am Christian Ed/Youth Ministry Meeting, EC8

3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship, Sanctuary

TUESDAY MORNING BOOK DISCUSSION

- The group is adding another book to their reading list! "Sapiens, A Brief History of Humankind" by Yuval Noah Harari is the next book to be reviewed. For more information, please refer to the January newsletter.

2X4S DINNERS TOGETHER

Contact Nila Novotny at 402-910-4091 or at nilanovotny@neb.rr.com if you would like to participate in the upcoming 2020 "2x4s" Dinners Together. Please refer to the January newsletter for more details.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, AND SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2020

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

Mary Had a Baby
What Star Is This with Beams So Bright
Lee Augustin, Organ and Piano

DAWSON
ARR. SMITH

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

* CALL TO WORSHIP

JOHN 1

One: In the beginning, there was the Word;

All: the Word was in God's presence, and the Word was God.

One: The Word was present to God from the beginning. Through the Word all things came into being...

All: In the Word was life, and that life was humanity's light -

One: And the Word became flesh and stayed for a little while among us;

All: we saw the Word's glory—

One: the favor and position a parent gives an only child—

All: filled with grace, filled with truth.

One: Let us rejoice in the Word!

* OPENING HYMN NO. 63

As with Gladness Men of Old

INVOCATION

O Word made Flesh, You have come into our midst as light and wisdom, desiring to be known to us in our lives and to be found in the world around us. Open our eyes and our ears and our hearts to recognize you where you dwell—in our midst— Challenging, heartening, lighting the way to truth, peace, justice.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

One: Hear the good news. Jesus has indeed come into the world to save us from our sins.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

* PASSING THE PEACE

One: Forgiven and renewed, we extend God's peace to one another.
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 to come forward for a special message.*

SPECIAL MUSIC (SUN.)

Oceans
Reagan Gausman

HILLSONG UNITED

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

John 1: 1 - 5

PEW BIBLE NEW TESTAMENT PAGE 91

One: This is the Word of God for the People of God

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Christianity 101"

Kenn Leischner

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

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 66

We Three Kings

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING 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.

COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Congregants are served communion in the pews. Please hold the bread and cup to partake together. Federated celebrates an open table, meaning all who trust in Christ are welcome to receive communion. Grape juice (and fructose-free alternative) is served, though the service sometimes refers to "wine." Gluten-free wafers are at the center of bread trays. Children are welcome to receive communion with the permission of parents/guardians as part of the family's on-going conversations about faith. After partaking, please place cups in pew holders.

UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

The Love of God is born new in the world as often as we embody that love in the works of compassion, peace and justice. Let us offer our gifts in a spirit of generosity and hope.

OFFERTORY

It Came upon A Midnight Clear

SCHMUTZ

* DOXOLOGY (tune page 592 of the hymnal)

P.M. TESTERMAN

**O Glorious God, to you we bring; Praise, Treasure, Time as Offering;
Come, Holy Spirit, with us dwell; Born is the Christ, Emmanuel. Amen.**

* UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

With these gifts, dear God, accept the praise and thanksgiving of our hearts, which rejoice in your goodness and love. Let our gifts point to your presence in the world, and further your dream for the world through Jesus, Emmanuel, God-with-us. Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN NO. 505

Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice!

ARR. HELD

All are welcome to Sunday fellowship, at Café LaFed, hosted by the Worship & Music Committee.

**Make your plans to attend the
105th Annual Congregational Meeting
scheduled for Sun., Feb. 23rd,
immediately following the 10:00AM Service.**

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

‡ tune on page 592 of hymnal

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