



FEDERATED CHURCH

INTO OUR NEW CENTURY IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST



**Thursday,
September 7,
2017**



**Sunday,
September 10,
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! Hearing assistance devices and large print hymnals are available.

Head Usher is Dennis Vollbracht. Ushers this week: Rick Porter (Thurs.),
Jesse Abrego, Doris Augspurger, Roland Augspurger and Larry Mares.

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 the event of a pastoral emergency, please contact Rev. Annika by cell phone (402) 942-1636.

Governing Council 2017 - Federated Church Elders

Rick Porter, *President* • Dave Melick, *Vice President*
Louise Moran, *Secretary* • Terry Norris, *Treasurer*

Class of 2017

Chris Dixon
Heidi Klevemann
Nila Novotny
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Class of 2018

Jeannie Kiser-Jensen
Sharon Kuncel
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Class of 2019

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Bell Choir Director

Lay Pastor Antonio Garcia
El Buen Pastor Fellowship

JOYS & CONCERNS

◆ To share of your resources to help those affected by hurricanes and wild fires, visit the websites of both of Federated's denominational disaster assistance programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is www.pda.pcusa.org and United Church of Christ is www.ucc.org/disaster

◆ Please pray for Gene and Nancy Depue as they make the move from Columbus to Omaha.

◆ Please pray for Virginia and Dwayne Smith as they make decisions related to Virginia's loss of hearing and weakened eyesight.

◆ Please pray for Terry and Chad Stuart, members of the Catholic church, as Terry is receiving treatment for lung cancer. Chad is a leader for Scout Troop 212. The Stuart family are neighbors with the Yang family.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, September 10

9:30am Worship Service, Sanctuary

10:30am Sunday School, Education Center

10:45am Adult Bible Education, Sanctuary

3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, September 11

10:00am Bible Study Group, Library

5:15pm Order of St. Andrew, Library

7:00pm Membership & Growth Meeting, EC 8

7:00pm CM Teachers Meeting, EC 7

7:00pm Boy Scouts Troop 212, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, September 12

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

9:00am Staff Meeting, AD 1

12:00pm All Staff Meeting, EC 7

5:30pm YM Teachers Meeting, AD 1

6:30pm Nominating Committee, AD 1

7:30pm Christian Education, Library

Wednesday, September 13

9:00am WF Kitchen Cleanup, Kitchen

1:00pm Needlecraft Ministry, Fellowship Hall

3:00pm Wed. After School, Gym, Upper Room

5:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

7:30pm Youth Club, Upper Room

Thursday, September 14

6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, September 15

5:30pm Wedding Rehearsal, Sanctuary

8:30am MOPS Meeting, EC, Fellowship Hall, Gym

6:00pm Latino Prayer Service, EC 6

Saturday, September 16

3:30pm Dewald-Godwin Wedding, Sanctuary

Sunday, September 17

9:30am Worship Service, Sanctuary

10:30am Sunday School, Education Center

10:45am Adult Bible Education, Sanctuary

11:30am Youth Ministry Committee, AD 1

3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship Service, Sanctuary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

SUNDAYS AT FEDERATED THIS FALL

TODAY - Commissioning of Teachers and Students

After worship - Education Hour for all ages resumes!

Pre-K through high school are welcome to Christian formation and fellowship!

All adults are welcome to the Sanctuary at 10:45 a.m. to hear from Rev. Annika about summer Study Leave. Bring your questions!

After Education Hour

BBQ hosted by Youth Ministry Committee.

We are asking the congregation to provide side dishes, salads, and desserts.

All are welcome!

NEXT Sunday, September 17 - Youth Ushers and Youth Acolytes Commissioned

Adult Education welcomes back Dr. Marjie Heier to share with us about her medical mission work in Zambia. 10:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

Sunday, September 24 3-year olds & 3rd Grade students receive Bibles.

Sunday, October 1 - World Communion Sunday

Celebrate the sacrament of communion on the same day as congregations all around the world.

Mission and Outreach

The Social Concerns and Mission Committee will have a box out by the office area for donations to the Place at the Table/Backpack project starting Sunday, August 20th. Items may be brought thru the end of September. Needed are: 18 oz. size of peanut butter (in plastic containers, not glass), 32 oz. COMPLETE Pancake Mix and 15 oz. LITE sliced peaches. Thank you for supporting this Mission Community Project.

Thank you to Charlotte Lambert and the many volunteer drivers and deliverers for their service the week of July 3. Federated's next week of delivery will be Sept. 11-15. Coordinator will be Cec Bartholomew - 402-564-0264.

Women's Fellowship

Wednesday, September 13, 2017: Women's Fellowship Annual Kitchen Cleanup. Starts at 9 am!

Saturday, September 30: Fall Gathering of Presbyterian Women in Fremont

Church Keys: Please contact Rick Porter (402) 910-5365 or Bill Royer (402) 910-0100 if you need to access the Church after office hours or during weekends.

PREPARING FOR GOD'S WORD

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

PRELUDE

Jesus Loves Me!
Finale from Concerto No. 5
Lee Augustin, Organ & Piano

ARR. WOOD
HANDEL

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

FROM PSALM 119 & EZEKIEL 33

One: Listen! The Lord calls out to us, offering life!
All: Teach, lead, turn us to your ways, O God.
One: Walk in the paths of God's commandments with delight!
All: Teach, lead, turn us to your ways, O God.
One: With our whole heart, we will turn to you and live!
All: Let us worship God!

*OPENING HYMN NO. 455

All Creatures of Our God and King (verses 1-3)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RECONCILIATION

One: From selfishness and vain desires,
All: Merciful God, deliver us.
One: Turn us away from the death that sin inflicts.
All: Merciful God, deliver us.
One: Help us to listen with understanding when perspectives are far apart.
All: Merciful God, deliver us.
One: All are invited to offer silent prayers of confession.

DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

One: Amen. Friends in Christ, receive this good news:
All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

CHORAL ANTHEM

Laudate Dominum
Bob Arp, Director

G. YOUNG

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Edward Yang, Associate Pastor

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.

*RESPONSIVE HYMN No. 324

Open My Eyes That I May See

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION AND READING OF SCRIPTURE

Jeremy West, Liturgist

The Gospel according to Matthew 18: 15 - 20

PEW BIBLE NEW TESTAMENT, PAGE 20

SERMON

Annika Lister Stroope, Senior Pastor

MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION

* HYMN NO. 455

All Creatures of Our God and King (verses 4-5)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

I Love to Tell the Story

ARR. HOSTED

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

*** 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.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)**

All: Eternal God, we have such a rich legacy of faith. Our bounty is evident in all creation. We dedicate our offerings to participate in the care and stewardship of your creation. Amen.

*** THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: God has welcomed us. God has received us and our offerings. God gives grace freely, and God's grace is our path to peace. Let us share God's peace with one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

***AFFIRMATION HYMN NO. 304 (SUN.)**

Jesus Loves Me!

CHILDREN'S SERMON (SUN.) Commissioning of Sunday School Teachers and Students

Following Commissioning on Sunday, Teachers will proceed to the Narthex.

Parents of pre-K through 6th grade students are invited to the Narthex on Sunday and to join students & teachers to proceed to Sunday School rooms in the Education Center.

Confirmands are invited to the upstairs Confirmation Room & High Schoolers to the Upper Room

*** CLOSING HYMN NO. 455**

All Creatures of Our God and King (verse 6)

*** BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH**

***RESPONSIVE SONG**

Amen (congregation sings twice)

The image shows two systems of musical notation for the responsive song 'Amen'. Each system consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The first system has the lyrics 'A - men, a - men.' written below the notes. The second system has the lyrics 'A - men, a - men, a - men.' written below the notes. The music is in a 3/4 time signature and a key signature of one flat (B-flat).

POSTLUDE

Children's Day March

LARSON

After praising God with the Postlude, all are welcome Sunday fellowship, hosted by Sue & Steve McClure.

Education Hour Resumes Today!

Children are welcome to the Education Center at 10:30 a.m.

All adults are welcome to a presentation in the Sanctuary at 10:45 a.m.

by Rev. Annika. Come see photos from the Study Leave and bring your questions!

Following Education Hour, All Are Invited for BBQ Lunch