

FEDERATED CHURCH



Into Our New Century in the Spirit of Christ

Thursday, August 8, and Sunday, August 11, 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 week are Rick Porter (Thurs.), Don Anderson and John Novotny.

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.

Rev. Edward will be on family vacation this week, August 5 - 11.

Pastor Linda Mohr will be on - call during that time. Her phone number is **402-910-4009**

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JOYS & CONCERNS

- ♦ If you have any joys or concerns, please share with the congregation by informing the office staff or pastor.
- ♦ Please hold Lori & Clark Smith in your prayers. Berle Higgins, Lori's father, passed away on July 26. Funeral service was held at the United Church of Christ in Pierce, NE on Wednesday, July 31.
- ♦ Please hold John & Julie McClure in your prayers. Beverly Lightner, Julie's mother, passed away on August 2nd. A memorial service will be held at the First Presbyterian Church in Lincoln, NE on Saturday, August 10.
- ♦ Please continue to pray for Marcene Wurdeman as she recovers from surgery. She is currently rehabbing at Emerald Care.
- ♦ Pastor Edward thanks all for their prayers for his mother, Young Soon Yang, who has been cancer-free for several months. Edward's mother and brother will be visiting Columbus next week for family vacation.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, August 11

10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship, Sanctuary

Monday, August 12

4:30pm Personnel Committee Meeting, EC7
6:45pm Membership & Growth Meeting, EC7

Tuesday, August 13

11:00am Open Prayer Time, Sanctuary
1:00pm Summer Afternoon Bible Study, EC8
6:30pm Christian Ed/Youth Ministry Meeting, EC8

Wednesday, August 14

11:30am All-Staff Luncheon/Meeting, AD1
5:30pm Summer Evening Bible Study, EC8

Thursday, August 15

6:30pm Thursday Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, August 16

5-8:00pm Diaper Changing Station @ Columbus Days
6:00pm Latino Prayer Service, EC 6

Saturday, August 17

8am-8pm Diaper Changing Station @ Columbus Days

Sunday, August 18

10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
12-3:00pm Diaper Changing Station @ Columbus Days
3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship, Sanctuary

Summer is coming to an end. The **Chancel Choir** is getting ready to resume singing. Please consider joining the choir. They meet Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00 and provide special music for Sunday morning services. The third Sunday of each month is reserved for the Bell Choir. The first rehearsal is scheduled for Wednesday, September 4. Come and see what it is all about. The only requirement is a sincere desire to share God's word in song.

Thank you to Charlotte Lambert and the crew of volunteers who delivered "Meals" June 3 - 7. Federated will deliver again the weeks of August 12, October 21 and December 23 (no delivery on December 24 & 25). With 10 churches rotating 52 weeks, this is our year to have six weeks of service. Jean Royer (402-564-8012 or 402-910-6688) will coordinate the week of August 12 - 16.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Families with Young Children: During the summer (May 26 - Sept. 1), children are welcome to go to the nursery right after the Children's Sermon. Parent/guardian(s) are also welcome to sit in the library during the service. Of course, families with young children are welcome to stay in the sanctuary throughout the service. There is a saying: "If there is no crying, the church is dying." We welcome the cries of young children.

New book for the Christian Book Discussion Group

The book, "The Triumph of Christianity, how a forbidden religion swept the world" by Bart Ehrman, will be the next book to be reviewed at the Tuesday morning Christian Book Discussion. The author examines how a tiny band of mostly illiterate outsiders converted the proud Roman Empire in just three centuries. Copies of this book are available at Amazon.com. Mark your calendars to meet with us at 7:00 AM on Tuesday, September 3rd for a light breakfast and a stimulating discussion in Fellowship Hall. In preparation, read the introduction and first chapter of the book.

GREETERS WANTED! Please sign-up on the sheet in the Narthex provided by the Membership & Growth Committee! Thank you!

UPCOMING MEMORIAL SERVICES AT FEDERATED

- John Ellefson Memorial Service - August 31st

NEEDED: Story Tellers for Children's Sermon

The Christian Education Committee is asking for volunteers for the Children's Sermons to help Pastor Edward with the church service when he is preaching on Sundays. The Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex!

On the 2nd Tuesday of each month, a time of prayer that is open to all, is held in our **sanctuary** from **11:30AM - 12:30PM**. In July, we completed our goal of praying for every person in our church family. Within the last 6 months we have spoken your name in prayer and asked for God's blessing in your life. This time of gathering before God in prayer, reminds us that we are not alone in facing the challenges of life. Whether you are new to prayer or have practiced for years, you are welcome here. If you have questions or prayer requests please contact:

Church office – 402-564-2812

Email - fcstaff@federatedcolumbus.org or

Barb Sanderson – 402-910-3586

Email - bjs.sanderson@gmail.com

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, AND SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 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

The Heavens Declare God's Glory

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Lee Augustin, Organ & Piano

MARCELLO

MILLER/JACKSON

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

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come now is the time to worship,

All: Come, now is the time to give your hearts

One: Come just as you are to Worship.

All: Come just as you are before your God.

*OPENING HYMN NO. 440

In Christ There is No East or West

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: O God of peace, you know us from before we were formed in our mother's womb.

Forgive us when we only have good intentions and do not commit ourselves to concrete action for peace and justice.

All: Grant that our actions and our words may always promote peace.

One: O God of justice, you judge our human race with mercy.

Forgive us when we allow your image in us to be marred as we remain passive in face of so much violence and exclusion.

All: Grant that our actions and our words may always promote peace.

One: O God of love, you have created humankind to be one great family.

Forgive our inability to be reconciled with others, both our dear ones and our enemies.

All: Grant that our actions and our words may always promote peace.

One: O God of grace, you have given us the gift of speech to be an instrument for change.

Forgive us for the times when we have spoken too hastily without thinking of the consequences, or have remained silent out of fear or indifference.

All: Grant that our actions and our words may always promote peace.

One: O God of life, you have placed us on this earth to tend and watch over it.

Forgive us when we have failed to care for your world, to protect nature, the home you have given us, the home of our ancestors and of our descendants. Help us to promote life and seek peace.

All: Grant that our actions and our words may always promote peace.

One: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace we have been saved and our sins forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen us with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in our hearts through faith.

All: Amen.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

SUMMER SPECIAL MUSIC (SUN.)

An Old Fashion Hymn Sing

SING ALONG LEAD BY BOB ARP AND LEE AUGUSTIN

* PASSING THE PEACE

One: Let us celebrate God's grace by sharing a sign of peace. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

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

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON (SUN.)

JULIE GRAHAM

All children are invited to come forward for a special message.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Judy Trautwein, Liturgist (Sun.)

SCRIPTURE READING

GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW 14:25-33

PEW BIBLE NEW TESTAMENT PAGE 16

SERMON

Out of the Boat

Elder Linda Steele

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* RESPONSIVE HYMN SING THE FAITH SONG#2152

Change My Heart, O God

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

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

HAYDN

* 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

Righteous God, you cast out fear and open the doors to your dominion. We come bearing alms, as Christ would have us do. All that we own you have given to us. We set it apart to your glory and honor. Who we are is due to your graciousness; we commit our efforts to your service. Possess us and guide us through your Holy Spirit and we shall live out our days praising your name.

* CLOSING HYMN SING THE FAITH SONG#2173

Shine, Jesus, Shine

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Choral Song

WESLEY

*All are welcome to Sunday fellowship, at Café LaFed,
hosted this week by Mike & Sharyn Beard.*



COLUMBUS FEDERATED
MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS

MOPS, Mothers of Preschoolers is a Christian ministry seeking to connect moms from all around the world to a community of women in their neighborhood; we meet together to embrace the journey of motherhood. MOPS offer emotional support, friendship, mentoring, education and creative activities. We accept mothers with children from childbirth to graduating kindergarten. Childcare is provided by loving and trained volunteers. MOPS meeting is held at the Federated Church usually on the second Friday of the month from 8:30 am to 11am, during the school year. If you are interested in joining please check out our Facebook page Columbus Federated MOPS and also feel free to take a look at the MOPS site <https://www.mops.org> or pick up a registration form at the Federated Church office. Please register by August 15th 2019 for a guaranteed spot. If you have any questions please contact Julie Wilke at 402-276-1232 or julie_wilke@yahoo.com, We would love to have you join this amazing sisterhood!

We are currently seeking volunteers for our MOPS KIDS childcare program at Federated Church! MOPS KIDS volunteers provide a loving, safe, and appropriate care for the children while their moms are attending the meetings. Children are from birth to kindergarten age and the meetings are held every 2nd Friday of the month September thru May from 8:30 am till 11:15am. First meeting is Sept 13. Some of the many activities you will be doing is bible story, craft, snack, gym time and music all provided by the MOPS KIDS Coordinator. MOPS KIDS Volunteers are greatly appreciated and are a vital part of the MOPS Program! Volunteers are utilized as their schedule allows. If you love children and are available to help at any of our MOPS meetings please contact Julie Wilke at 402-276-1232 or julie_wilke@yahoo.com or Melissa Kroenke at 402-651-9888.

We would love to have you this 2019-2020 MOPS season!!!

Membership and Growth is organizing small groups for Federated Church members and their friends.

Check any you would be interested in:

Family Fun Group – families

Sunday Lunch Bunch – after church

Electronic Learning Small Group

Book Readers Small group

Hiking Small Group – day hikes 3-4 times a year

Music/Art/Museum Small Group – day trips

Dinner and a movie Small Group

Other ideas ????

Name _____