

FEDERATED CHURCH



Into Our New Century in the Spirit of Christ
Thursday, October 24, and Sunday, October 27, 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 Rod Wachter (Thurs.), Riley Gausman, Clark Grant, Mark Hegi, and Peg Rupprecht.

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, President (402-564-8012) Marcia Grant, Vice President Louise Moran, Secretary			Rev. Edward Yang, Ph.D. Acting Head of Staff & Associate Pastor for CYF edward@federatedcolumbus.org	Jim Rains Office Manager jrains@federatedcolumbus.org
<i>Class of 2019</i>	<i>Class of 2020</i>	<i>Class of 2021</i>	Brenda Sand Temp. Christian Education Director brenda@federatedcolumbus.org	Chrissy Ford Bookkeeper & Publications Coord. cford@federatedcolumbus.org
Julie Graham	Linda Wheatley	Gene Hahn	Lee Augustin, Organist	Bob Arp, Chancel Choir Director
Kathy Leischner	Doug Williams	Judy Temme		
Gail Wurdeman	Steve McClure	Marv Zoucha		
<i>Financial</i>	Donna Augspurger	Robin Lehr	Stuart Gausman Bell Choir Director	Lay Pastor Antonio Garcia El Buen Pastor Fellowship
<i>Administrators:</i>	Terry Millard	Terry Norris		

JOYS & CONCERNS

- ♦ If you have any joys or concerns, please share with the congregation by informing the office staff or pastor.
- ♦ Please pray for the family of Rosemary Geisert, Lloyd Castner's sister, who passed away on Oct. 23 in Lincoln. Funeral service will be on Oct. 28.
- ♦ Please pray for the family of Peg Hahn, of Kearney, who passed away on Oct. 22. Peg is the aunt of John Hahn.
- ♦ We celebrate the joy of marriage of Jodi Wacker to Dave Krymuza in Bennington, NE on Oct. 26. Jodi is the daughter of Bill & Jean Royer.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, October 27

- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:00am 104th Fall Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary
- 3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship, Sanctuary
- 4:00pm Trunk or Treat

Monday, October 28

- 6:30pm W&M Subcommittee, Sanctuary
- 6:30pm CM Teachers Meeting, AD 2
- 7:00pm Scouts Troop 212 Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, October 29

- 7:00am Tues. Morning Book Group, Fellowship Hall
- 1:00pm Lectionary Afternoon Bible Study, AD 2
- 6:00pm Consonaires Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 6:30pm Finance & Property Meeting, EC 8
- 6:30pm Cub Scouts Pack 279, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, October 30

- 4:30pm Lectionary Evening Bible Study, AD 2
- 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 6:30pm Youth Club, Upper Room, Gym
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, October 31

- 10:00am Staff Meeting, AD 2
- 6:30pm Thursday Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, November 1

- 9:00am MOPS Meeting, EC/Gym/FH
- 6:00pm Scouts Lock-in, Fellowship Hall, Gym
- 6:00pm Latino Prayer Service, EC 6

Saturday, November 2

- 3:00pm Baby Shower, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, November 3 - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS

- 9:00am Education Hour, EC, Upper Room
- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary

GREAT NEWS! OPERATION EDUCATION NAIROBI is now a non-profit organization. Please make donations out to "Operation Education Nairobi". Your contribution is tax-deductible. THANK YOU!

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Reminder — Sunday Education Hour

At 9:00 a.m.

Children go directly to their Education Center rooms

Youth to the Upstairs Rooms

Adult Education in Education Center Room 4/5

LET GOD LEAD "IN SERVICE" is this weeks Stewardship message in our bulletins. Our congregation responds to this aspect whole heartedly not only for our church, but also for the community and beyond. A couple of weeks ago our elementary students were commissioned as acolytes and ushers to serve our church. Our youth experience what it is like to serve others as they embark on mission trips. It does not stop there as several adults have listened to God's lead in serving others further away. ~ Stewardship Committee

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**. 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

Share Your Talents

"COOKIES 'N MORE": Project preparation meetings will be held on **October 24th**, and **November 7th** and **14th** at **5:15 P.M.** in the **Fellowship Hall**. If you are interested in helping with this project or if you have already agreed to help, please attend a couple of these meetings. It is never too late to join in the fun. Questions can be addressed to Paula Lange or Alison Wagner. See you on these meeting dates!

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. Please talk with Brenda Sand.

New book for the Christian Book Discussion Group

The book, "The Zealot: the life and times of Jesus of Nazareth" by Reza Aslan, will be the next book to be reviewed at the Tuesday morning Christian Book Discussion. Copies of this book are available at Amazon.com. Mark your calendars to meet with us at 7:00 AM on Tuesday, November 12th for a light breakfast and a stimulating discussion in Fellowship Hall. In preparation, read the introduction and first chapter of the book.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24 AND SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 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

God Is Here!

HYMN #461

Lee Augustin, Organ and Piano

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

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP - LABORS

Roland Augspurger, Stewardship Member

*CALL TO WORSHIP

FEASTING ON THE WORD

One: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

All: Our soul longs for the courts of the Lord. Our flesh sings for joy to the living God.

One: Happy are those who dwell in the house of the Lord, ever singing your praise, O God.

All: Happy are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

One: Come, let us worship God.

*OPENING HYMN NO. 339

Be Thou My Vision

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, hope of your people in every age, we confess that we have sinned against you. We have wandered from your pathways, turned toward idols, lived without compassion, and disregarded the well-being of your creation. Do not turn away from us, O Lord, but renew your covenant, for only in you will our lives be healed. Guide us and lead us in your ways.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

One: In the name of the One who yearns to crown all people with righteousness

All: and whose mercy exalts the humble, our sins are forgiven.

One: May we be strengthened to live in the freedom of God's holy and eternal generosity.

All: Alleluia, amen.

CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM (SUN.)

Built on the Rock
Bob Arp, Director

WARE

*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.

*** SING THE FAITH SONGBOOK #2164 (SUN.)** *Sanctuary (sung twice)*

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON (Sun.)

All children are invited to come forward for a special message.
Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Marv Zoucha, Liturgist (Sun.)

Gospel According to Luke 18 : 9 - 14 (pew Bible New Testament page 81)

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

All: Thanks be to God!

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

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — BASED ON PSALM 51 (Common English Bible)**

Have mercy on me, God, according to your faithful love!

Wipe away my wrongdoings according to your great compassion!

Wash me completely clean of my guilt; purify me from my sin!

Because I know my wrongdoings, my sin is always right in front of me.

I’ve sinned against you—you alone. I’ve committed evil in your sight.

That’s why you are justified when you render your verdict.

Purify me with hyssop and I will be clean; wash me and I will be whiter than snow.

Hide your face from my sins; wipe away all my guilty deeds!

Create a clean heart for me, God; put a new, faithful spirit deep inside me!

Return the joy of your salvation to me and sustain me with a willing spirit.

*** RESPONSIVE HYMN (ATTACHED MUSIC)**

Have Mercy, God, upon My Life

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

Ye Servants of God

ARR. RITTER

*** DOXOLOGY ‡**

ROGER C. LYNN

*Praise God whose breath fills all the earth; Whose love reveals our sacred worth;
Whose Spirit forms one family; Whose grace brings peace and harmony. Amen.*

*** UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Holy and merciful God, you know the joy that is in us when we offer ourselves, our time, and our possessions for the work you set before us. Use these gifts to heal and teach, comfort and challenge, that all the world might give you praise. Amen.

*** CLOSING HYMN NO. 298**

There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy

*** BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Merifield

CORRELL



Fall Congregational Meeting – Today!

Meeting begins immediately following

Sunday Worship Service

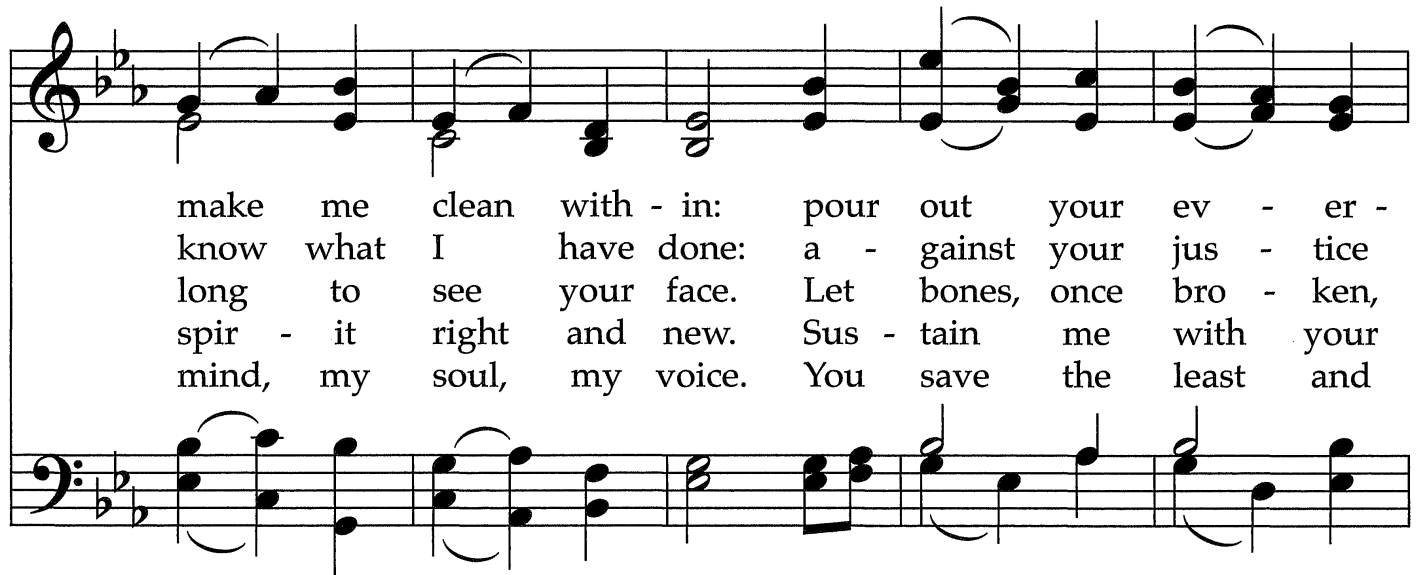
Election of Church Officers and Committee Members

Have Mercy, God, upon My Life 421

(Psalm 51)



1 Have mer - cy, God, up - on my life, and
2 My guilt is heav - y on my mind; I
3 Now teach me wis - dom in my soul; I
4 Cre - ate in me a faith - ful heart, a
5 Then I will praise you with my heart, my



make me clean with - in: pour out your ev - er -
know what I have done: a - gainst your jus - tice
long to see your face. Let bones, once bro - ken,
spir - it right and new. Sus - tain me with your
mind, my soul, my voice. You save the least and



faith - ful love and wash a - way my sin.
I have sinned, a - gainst you, God, a - lone.
sing with joy, and heal me by your grace.
sav - ing love and keep me close to you.
seek the lost; let all the world re - joice!

COOKIES 'N MORE

NOVEMBER 21st INFORMATION

Yard Signs – November 15, 2019

If you have kindly agreed to put out a yard sign, they may be picked up at church on Sunday, November 10, before and after church. You will need to wait until Friday, November 15, to put out the sign. The yard signs will be picked up one or two days after the event.

Delivering Your Cookies, Candy, etc. to the Church

Wednesday, November 20th – 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 21st – 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

We will be receiving cookies, bars, and candy in the Fellowship Hall. A receiving table will be set up, so please do not place boxes in the kitchen. Please have your cookies boxes and trays covered with foil and labeled with your name and the name of the cookies on top. Bars and candy should not be cut, but labeled with your name and the name of the bar or candy. If you want your container back, you will find it on the northeast kitchen counter after the event.

Purchasing Cookies, Bars, and Candy

Federated will be hosting the Cookies 'N More project for the community on November 21, 2019, from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Cookies, bars, and candies will be for sale at the time for the community, Federated workers, and Federated congregation. Please support this project by encouraging your friends and neighbors to attend this sweet event and purchase delicious baked cookies and candies.

If you would like to show your support with a monetary donation, please submit your cash or check to Women's Fellowship and include the notation Cookies 'N More on the envelope or check. This can be sent to the church or given to Alison Wagner or Paula Lange. Thank you for your generosity!!



November 3rd, is the end of Daylight Savings Time.
Don't forget to turn your clocks **BACK** an hour!



In Daily Labors Let God Lead

I appeal to you therefore, brother and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God - what is good and acceptable and perfect.

~Romans 12:1 - 2, NRSV

"My faith has brought me to a point in my life where I want to help others and give of myself in hands-on service. Volunteering has given me the opportunity to serve those who need it most and impact a part of society that I might never have come in contact with otherwise."

—Brethren Volunteer Service volunteer

"I had a negative experience in a church and complained that I wasn't going back to that. A wise man said, 'If you find you can do anything else, do it. But if you find you are compelled to return to the ministry, then follow God's call.' Further education, a different church, additional experiences, and a confirmation of my gifts showed me that ministry is my call."

—Pastor

"I'm an editor because a professor once gave me the chance to proofread a book he was writing. I enjoyed it so much I decided to look for a job as an editor."

—Curriculum editor

"I serve meals in a homeless shelter once a month because I need to remember how it is to work with my hands and to be in touch with the real people that eat their meals there. It keeps me grounded and grateful."

—Denominational staff member

Prayer: Lead me, God, to listen for your voice. Lead me to say yes to your call and to understand that my work is ministry in your name. Amen.

Trunk-or-Treat Sunday, October 27th 4-6 pm Federated Church South Parking Lot

Help the Membership and Growth Committee provide a safe and fun Halloween for children in our community by joining our Trunk-or-Treat! Donate candy (or other treat), decorate your trunk, maybe even wear a costume and greet families as they Trick-or-Treat in our parking lot.

The Sunday Lunch Bunch's will meet:

1. Runza around 11:30am
 2. People's Choice Group- Ask Bill Royer or Marilyn Vrana
 3. ABC Group - ask Barb Olson.
- All are invited even if you didn't sign up.

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The Runza Lunch Bunch meets every Sunday. There is no need to sign up, just show up! For information talk to Max and Ashli Porter or Tim and Val Rathje.

Church Photo Directory 2019

If you were unavailable October 22-26th, call Lifetouch at 866-756-0281 to see if there are other options available (for example, there might be times available at Highland Park Church on Nov 5th)

If you would like to submit a photo of your own, please email a .jpeg or .pdf to brendajsand@gmail.com. A horizontal image is preferred. A hard copy can also be submitted to the church office. Please include the name of each person in the photograph.

Federated's Future: Important Opportunity for Your Input!

Our church is in transition and it is important for the members of the Governing Council to hear from you. There will be four opportunities in November to meet in listening sessions with GC members after church services on **Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings (Sundays Nov 3rd and 10th, Thursdays Nov 7th and 14th)**. These listening sessions will discuss Interim pastor staffing options available and will gather thoughts on long-term pastoral leadership models.

Your input and guidance to the Governing Council is important. All of the group meetings will follow the same format and will use the same agenda to keep on topic. Group sizes will be kept to about 12 people in order to allow everyone to participate.

The strength of Federated Church has always been the fellowship of its members. Please plan to attend one of the listening session meetings.