

# FEDERATED CHURCH



**Mission Statement:**  
*We are called to nurture a growing relationship with God  
 by following the example of Jesus Christ.*



**Thursday, October 8 and Sunday, October 11, 2020**

## **Welcome to Worship at Federated!**

**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 with the Church Office (402) 564-2812 to initiate a Prayer Chain with the Order of St. Andrew. The Prayer Chain is strictly confidential.

**If you missed worship last week**, visit [www.federatedcolumbus.org](http://www.federatedcolumbus.org) for videos of worship and bulletins, and on TV: Spectrum Channel 1304 (HD)  
 Mondays 11:55am, Saturdays 11:55am and Sundays 7:55pm.

**In case of an emergency, Pastor Edwards cell phone is (402) 302-2812.**

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## JOYS & CONCERNS

- ◆ If you have any joys or concerns, please share with the congregation by informing the office.
- ◆ Pray for Carol Sand, mother of Mike & Brenda Sand, who has begun hospice care.
- ◆ Pray for Elda Juhnke, mother of Kathy & Kenn Leischner, who has begun hospice care
- ◆ Pray for Sondra Burnett who is on chemotherapy for ovarian cancer.
- ◆ Pray for others battling cancer.
- ◆ Pray for individuals and families affected by COVID-19.
- ◆ Pray for Paula Lange, who fractured her ankle and is recovering at home.
- ◆ Pray for Jane Ellefson, who is recovering at home after injuring her hip in a fall.
- ◆ Pray for people affected by wildfires in the west and storms/hurricanes in the south.
- ◆ From Homestead Presbytery:

### **Falls City**

Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Falls City congregation. May they continue to grow as a caring and nurturing Christian community, as well as individuals, focusing on prayer, Bible study and worship.

## THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

### **Sunday, October 11**

9:00am Education Hour, Ed Center & Upper Room

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

### **Monday, October 12**

6:30pm Membership/Growth Meeting, Zoom Mtg.

### **Tuesday, October 13**

1:00pm PEO, Fellowship Hall

6:30pm Christian Education Meeting, EC 7

6:30pm Cub Scouts Pack 279 Den Meeting, Fellowship Hall

### **Wednesday, October 14**

11:00am Worship Planning Meeting, EC 7

### **Thursday, October 15**

6:30pm Thursday Worship Service, Sanctuary

**Friday, October 16** No Events

**Saturday, October 17** No Events

### **Sunday, October 18**

9:00am Education Hour, Ed Center & Upper Room

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

### **October 18th: Lunch for Learning:**



#### **Grab N Go Sack Lunch**



**Free Will Offering for  
Operation Education Nairobi**

**Funds raised will help provide education  
scholarships for up to 40 children in  
Nairobi, Kenya who cannot afford  
to otherwise attend school.**

A TIME OF REMEMBRANCE TO

# HONOR. HOPE. HEAL.

OCTOBER 10TH AT 10A.M.  
FEDERATED CHURCH'S BELLS WILL TOLL

JOIN TOGETHER IN PRAYER AND REFLECTION  
FOR 10 MINUTES TO REMEMBER  
MORE THAN 210,000 PEOPLE WHO HAVE  
LOST THEIR LIVES TO COVID-19.

SHARE THIS MESSAGE.  
SPREAD COMPASSION!

# WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8 AND SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2020

Hymns, Songs, Prayers, and liturgies in **Bold** are for the participation of the **Congregation**

## PRELUDE

*All Day Long My Heart Keeps Singing*  
*The Lord Is My Shepherd*  
*Prelude in F Major*  
Lee Augustin, Organ and Piano

DUNLOP  
ARR. WOOD  
GUILMANT

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Elizabeth Grisham, Stewardship Committee

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgy provided by Jill Duffield of Presbyterian Outlook

One: Praise the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;

**All: for the Lord's steadfast love endures forever.**

One: Who can utter the mighty doings of the Lord, or declare all God's praise?

**All: Blessed are those who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times.**

## OPENING SONG

*This Is My Song*  
Presbyterian Peacemaking Program

## UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord, you see how stubborn we are, how quickly we turn from you toward idols of our own making, how impatient we are when we do not get what we think we deserve. We forget your providential care for us, the countless ways you provide, your gracious response to our cries for help. We do not think on things like justice and goodness. We are not known for our gentleness. We give in to the loud voices that tell us to tend to our own needs only and neglect the very ones you command us to feed. We cannot justify our behavior, we can only confess it, repent and ask again for your mercy. Forgive us, Lord, so that we can bear witness to your character of loving kindness.**

## MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The Lord's wrath relents, and God instead pours out mercy and grace.

**All: Our God refuses to give up on us and instead forgives and frees us.**

One: Friends, believe the exceedingly good news, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

## PASSING THE PEACE

One: With forgiveness, we have peace with God and one another. May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

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

## LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON (Sun.)

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Alison Wagner, Liturgist (Sun.)

## SCRIPTURE READING

Letter of Paul to the Philippians 4 : 1 – 9

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – “LORD OF ALL HOPEFULNESS” BY JAN STRUTHER**

Lord of all hopefulness,

**Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy:**

Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,

**Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.**

Lord of all eagerness,

**Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:**

Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,

**Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.**

Lord of all kindness,

**Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace:**

Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,

**Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.**

Lord of all gentleness,

**Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:**

Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,

**Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day. Amen.**

**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

**INSTRUMENTAL DOXOLOGY****UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Almighty God, you invite us to the banquet, welcome us to your table, send your prophets with your instructions and your Son to save us from our sin. The depth and breadth of your compassion cannot ever be earned or repaid, hence we call it grace. Accept, we pray, these gifts, given in thanksgiving and in the hope that you will bless and use them to call others to the heavenly banquet. Amen.

**CLOSING SONG**

*With Songs of Rejoicing*

Bach-Hopson

Performed by Chancel Choir on September 16, 2018

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*Choral Song*

Wesley



People of faith are hopeful because the love that sent Jesus to the cross is that same love that sustains us through our challenges, crosses, difficulties, and distress. People of faith are hopeful that they will share in the same glory that raised Jesus from a borrowed tomb.

To live from hope is to thrive knowing that what the Creator did in the past can be subject to an encore in the present and future. To live from hope is bifocal living—it is seeing near and far, here and there, then and now.

Our stewardship—what we do with what has been given to us—comes from hope. We hold our heads up high to seek power and the Holy Spirit of the one who dares to make us guardians of so much.

faithful  
hopeful  
loving



Hold  
on  
to  
your

hope.