# FEDERATED CHURCH



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





## Thursday, May 27, and Sunday, May 30, 2021

### 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** 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, the pastor's cell phone number is: Edward (402) 302-2812.

Governing Council 2021 - Federated Church Elders			Federated Church Clergy and Staff	
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<u>Class of 2021</u>	<u>Class of 2022</u>	<u>Class of 2023</u>	Brenda Sand	Chrissy Ford
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Terry Millard	Terry Norris	Marv Zoucha	Bell Choir Director	Él Buen Pastor Fellowship

#### **JOYS & CONCERNS**

If you have any joys or concerns, please share with the congregation by informing the office. • Congratulations to Pete & Carol Bennett who will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary June 4th! • Congratulations to Rex Hash who will be the Director of Outreach Center and Ministry at the Columbus First United Methodist Church. Blessings for Rex and Kathy on their new ministry adventure. • Please pray for Laura Porter, who is recovering from surgery on Wednesday, May 26th.

From Homestead Presbytery: First Presbyterian of Wayne has experienced new ways to worship over the last year. We returned to in person worship (following CDC guidelines) with a Zoom component in August. We are grateful to Homestead Presbytery for the Technology Grant which allowed us to purchase new technology for worship and gives us the ability to have a Zoom component. As vaccinations increase and the COVID risk declines the Session and the congregation look forward to the day, hopefully to not too far in the future when we can transition from sidewalk fellowship back to coffee fellowship following worship. Having experienced new ways of being the church we pray that the Spirit will continue to move in our midst to reveal unique ways FPC can be the hands and feet of Christ.

#### Do You (or someone you know) Have Difficulty

Hearing in Our Sanctuary? The Worship Planning Team (Lee Augustin, Bob Arp, Tim Rathje, Brenda Sand and Edward Yang) are looking for ways to address sound issues in our worship space. Please let one of us know what is or is not working for you in terms of hearing our services.

**Thank you!** - Steve and I would like to thank you for your cards and notes of support while I've been in my 100 days isolation for leukemia treatment. They indeed brought cheer and I have saved every one. We also appreciate the meals and calls to bolster our spirits.

At my last bone marrow test there were no signs of the leukemia cancer blasts so the treatment has been successful. We are fortunate to have such a caring church community support us. Rosie and Steve Heinisch

#### To the Members of Federated Church:

It has been my Honor and Privilege to serve as the Office Manager for your church for the past 12+ years! I cannot express enough, how much your kindness and generosity over the years has meant to me. I will truly relish those memories. However, it is time for me to move on to other things in my life and embrace retirement. I wish each and every one of you a plenitude of God's wonderful blessings and may His Love shine on you and yours forever! With Love to All, Jim Rains

#### THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, May 30, Trinity Sunday

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary Monday, May 31, Memorial Day

Church Office Closed

#### Tuesday, June 1

7:00pmCub Scouts 279 Meeting, Fellowship Hall7:15pmWorship & Music Meeting, EC 4

<u>Wednesday, June 2</u> 11:00am Worship Planning Meeting, EC7

#### Thursday, June 3

6:15pm Scouts Roundtable, Fellowship Hall 6:30pm Thursday Worship Service, Sanctuary 7:30pm Order of the Arrow, EC 8

#### <u>Friday, June 4</u>

5:00pm Wedding Rehearsal, Sanctuary Saturday, June 5

1:00pm Dreesen-Kistner Wedding, Sanctuary Sunday, June 6

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

Upcoming Events: May 31st - Memorial Day -

Office Closed

June 7th - 11th - Vacation Bible Camp June 13th - Special Congregational Meeting (see pg. 6) June 23rd - Scholarship Renewal Applications Deadline



**Bible Reading Sharing & Discussion:** there will be a monthly meeting to share insights and discuss questions related to each month's Bible reading. All are invited to the hybrid meeting (<u>in-person and</u> <u>online via Zoom</u>) which is tentatively

scheduled for the <u>4</u><sup>th</sup> Monday of the month **from** <u>**3:oopm - 4:3opm**</u>. If your are interested in joining this meeting but the time does not work well for you, please inform Pastor Edward.

#### Bible Reading Questions

•Why does Saul become angry with David? (1 Samuel 18)
•What was a major concern for Paul in writing his letter to the church in Corinth?

(1 Corinthians 1)

Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible Camp, at Federated from June 7th to 11th! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Contact Brenda Sand!



#### Sunday Lunch Bunch Resuming!

Meet in the Narthex after service (11am). If you would like more information, contact Nell Burnham: nburnhamoo1@neb.rr.com

#### Scheduled Memorial Services for:

• Brian Beckner - Saturday, July 24th

• Virginia Smith - Saturday, October 2nd Please watch for updates!

#### WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, MAY 27 AND SUNDAY, MAY 30, 2021 Hymns, Songs, Prayers, and liturgies in **Bold** are for the participation of the **Congregation** 

Prelude

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name Maestoso For All the Saints Lee Augustin, Piano and Organ

ARR. HAMLIN TROUTMAN ARR. LORENZ

Welcome and Announcements

VIDEO CLIP "Let us Never Forget"

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

FROM MOTION WORSHIP Presbyterian Outlook (Andrew Taylor-Troutman)

One: Worship the Lord in holy splendor!

#### All: In God we live and move and have our being.

- One: The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty!
- All: Let us open our hearts to listen.
- One: May the Lord give strength to the people!

All: May Holy Three-in-One bless the earth with peace! In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Opening Song	Rise, Shine, For Thy Light Is A-Comin'	Perry & Perry
	Recorded May 13, 2018; Bob Arp, Director	

#### **UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy Triune God, you so loved the world, continue to love the world and will always love the world. Forgive us for our abuse of your created order and its intended harmony. Forgive us for our violence against our fellow creatures, including those made in your image. Forgive us for our indifference and cynicism, and our callousness. Cast out our fear with the faith that you can do all things, and renew a right spirit within us.

#### MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

#### Assurance of Pardon

One: Hear the good news: God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

All: Through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we are forgiven.

#### PASSING THE PEACE

One: In Jesus Christ, we know God's forgiveness and peace. Let us share that 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.

#### LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON (SUN.)

BRENDA SAND, CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DIRECTOR

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NICOLE MILLER, LITURGIST

SCRIPTURE READING

GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN 3:1-17

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

All: Thanks be to God!

#### \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: "You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd" (aka Christus Paradox) by Sylvia G. Dunstan

You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd. You, Lord, are both prince and slave. You, peace-maker and sword-bringer of the way you took and gave. You, the everlasting instant; you, whom we both scorn and crave.

Clothed in light upon the mountain, stripped of might upon the cross, shining in eternal glory, beggared by a soldier's toss, you, the everlasting instant; you who are both gift and cost.

You, who walk each day beside us, sit in power at God's side. You, who preach a way that's narrow, have a love that reaches wide. You, the everlasting instant; you, who are our pilgrim guide.

Worthy is our earthly Jesus! Worthy is our cosmic Christ! Worthy your defeat and victory; worthy still your peace and strife. You, the everlasting instant; you, who are our death and life. Amen.

#### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

#### 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**

Holy, holy, holy Lord Almighty, may our gifts and offerings praise you and bring grace to your world. Make us instruments of your peace, for you are merciful and mighty. To God in three persons, blessed Trinity, we pray, amen.

\* CLOSING HYMN #138 (GTG #1) Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE (SUN.)

Joy Eternal

G. PARKER

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

# 1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!





#### **Special Congregational Meeting!**

The Governing Council has approved calling a Special Congregational Meeting on Sunday, June 13th for the purpose of approving the Federated Church Staffing Plan, recommended by the Staffing Committee and approved by the Governing Council, to move forward with a solo pastor and lay person position. We need the approval of this plan for the Pastor Nominating Committee to move forward in their search for a solo pastor. We would like to stress the importance of your attendance at this meeting so that we can achieve a quorum. Please mark your calendar for June 13th. Thank you, Tim Warren PNC Chairperson If you would like an absentee ballot, please contact the church office and we will gladly assist you!