

FEDERATED CHURCH



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



2nd Sunday after Epiphany
Thursday, January 14 and Sunday, January 17, 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.

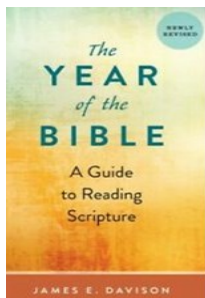
If you missed worship last week, visit www.federatedcolumbus.org for videos of worship and bulletins, and on TV: Spectrum Channel 1304 (HD)
Mondays 11:55am, Saturdays 11:55am and Sundays 7:55pm.

In case of an emergency, Pastor Edward's cell phone is (402) 302-2812.

Governing Council 2021 - Federated Church Elders			Federated Church Clergy and Staff	
Tim Warren, President Wayne McCormick, 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 j rains@federatedcolumbus.org
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Gene Hahn	John McClure	Jesse Abrego		
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Donna Augspurger	Alison Wagner	Mimi Ernst	Lee Augustin, Organist	Bob Arp, Chancel Choir Director
Financial Administrators:	Donna Augspurger	Robin Lehr	Stuart Gausman Bell Choir Director	Lay Pastor Antonio Garcia El Buen Pastor Fellowship
	Terry Millard	Terry Norris		

JOYS & CONCERNS

- ♦ If you have any joys or concerns, please share with the congregation by informing the office.
- ♦ Pray for the family of Kay Novotny (sister-in-law to John & Nila Novotny). Kay passed away unexpectedly on Jan. 6th in Ord, NE.
- ♦ Pray for Paul Rupprecht (husband of Peg Rupprecht) who is recuperating at home after successful heart valve surgery.
- ♦ Please pray for Rosie Heinisch, who has been diagnosed with ALL (*Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia*) and is currently receiving chemotherapy treatment.
- ♦ We thank God for Judy Naber's (sister of Sherry Miller) surgery successfully removing kidney stones that caused tremendous pain.
- ♦ Pray for Enrique Abrego (brother of Jesse and Marilyn Abrego) who is in serious condition with brain injury.
- ♦ Pray for all who are battling cancer and other life threatening diseases.
- ♦ Pray for individuals and families affected by COVID-19.
- ♦ From Homestead Presbytery: *Lincoln Korean* Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Lincoln Korean congregation. May they continue to grow as a caring and nurturing Christian community, as well as individuals, focusing on prayer, Bible study and worship.



If you would like to participate in this year's All-Church Book Read and order a copy for \$10 through the church office, please contact the office staff. This year's Book Read begins on February 1st.

These Days Daily Devotionals

These Days Daily Devotionals for January, February, March 2021 have arrived. They are available in the Narthex or in the Church Office.



**The Annual Federated Church
Congregational Meeting
is scheduled for
Sunday, February 28, 2021
following the Worship Service.
More information coming soon!**

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, January 17

- 9:00am Education Hour, Ed Center, Upper Room
- 10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:00am FC Foundation Annual Meeting, EC 8

Monday, January 18

- 9:00am Calico Club Sewing, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, January 19

- 1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study, EC 8/Zoom
- 7:00pm Cub Scouts Pack 279, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, January 20

- 9:30am Circle 1 Meeting at Marilyn Vrana's House
- 10:00am Staff Meeting, AD 2
- 2:00pm Worship Planning Meeting, EC 7
- 4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study, Zoom
- 6:30pm Youth Club, Upper Room
- 7:30pm Circle 4 Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Thursday, January 21

- 6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, January 22 No events

Saturday, January 23

- 8:00am Scouts Leadership Training, EC 7 & EC 8
- 9:00am Fantastic 4-Hers, Fellowship Hall
- 11:00am Scouts Pinewood Derby, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, January 24

- 9:00am Education Hour, Ed Center, Upper Room
- 10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

Circle 1 Meeting Jan. 20th

This meeting will be held at the Vrana household at 9:30am. For more information call 402-563-3265.

Meals on Wheels Feb. 15 - 19

The hospital has added another route (Heritage House will be route #8). More volunteers needed! Coordinator - Renee Bellum 402-563-2441 or 402-276-2454

The following motions were made and recognized by Governing Council during the October 2020 meeting:

- ♦ The Governing Council recognizes with serious concern the COVID pandemic and will continue to follow the safety precautions that have been established for this church. The Governing Council will continue to monitor and follow recommendations of state and local health professionals as well as our denominations, regarding in person services. We will continue to offer a choice of in person or online participation as long as conditions permit.
- ♦ A motion was made, seconded and adopted to open the east narthex doors on Sunday for parking convenience. Ushers will move rope and have hand sanitizer available. In addition, a bulletin containing activities, announcements and Joys and Concerns will be available as you exit the Sanctuary.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, AND SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2020

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

PRELUDE

A Selection of Spirituals
O Thou Kind and Gracious Father
Finale From Concerto No. 5
Lee Augustin, Organ and Piano

CARELESS/SCHREINER
HANDEL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship, Vol. 54.1

One: Come and see the grace of God,

All: Christ our teacher and our friend.

One: Come and see the son of God,

All: Christ our healer and salvation.

One: God is moving in this place.

All: Come and see!

OPENING SONG

God of Wonders
iWorship DVD

BYRD/HINDALONG

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of abundant mercy, you embodied love for us in the life of Jesus Christ. You ate with sinners and shared with outcasts. You loved with boldness and healed with grace. Forgive us, O God, when we do not trust your love: when we doubt whether we are worthy of your care. Forgive us, O God, when we try to cheapen love: when we limit it to shallow feelings instead of bold actions. Help us, O God, when we cannot feel your love, when we are isolated, afraid, and unable to see your presence. Forgive us, O God, of the ways we fall short. Free us to try again, and let your love lead the way.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

One: Those who trust in God will renew their strength.

All: They will run and not be weary, they will walk and not grow faint.

One: In the name of Jesus Christ,

All: we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

PASSING THE PEACE

One: To Christ's peace, we are called as members of the body of Christ.

All: The peace of Christ be with you.

One: And also with you. 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

Marv Zoucha, Liturgist (Sun.)

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Samuel 3 : 1 – 10

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* Affirmation of Faith—*Psalm 139:1-6,13-18 (with plural pronouns)*

O LORD, you have searched us and known us.

You know when we sit down and when we rise up; you discern our thoughts from far away.

You search out our path and our lying down, and are acquainted with all our ways.

Even before a word is on our tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.

You hem us in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon us.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for us; it is so high that we cannot attain it.

For it was you who formed our inward parts; you knit us together in our mother's womb.

We praise you, for we are fearfully and wonderfully made.

Wonderful are your works; that we know very well.

Our frame was not hidden from you, when we were being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld our unformed substance.

In your book were written all the days that were formed for us, when none of them as yet existed.

How weighty to us are your thoughts, O God!

How vast is the sum of them!

We try to count them—they are more than the sand;

We come to the end—we are still with you. Amen.

BELLS OF JOY ANTHEM

Holy God, We Praise Your Name
Recorded January 15, 2017

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

One: God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

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

Bless in every way, O Lord, the gifts of the people here given. Enrich the ministries of your people and make us grateful to be able to let go of the things we do not, finally, own. Amen.

CLOSING SONG

Go Where I Send Thee
Recorded January 14, 2018

ARR. M. GARDNER

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

ARR. FRANKLIN RITTER