FEDERATED CHURCH



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





Thursday, August 12, and Sunday, August 15, 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's cell phone number is: Edward (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	Brenda Sand Temp. Christian Education Director brenda@federatedcolumbus.org
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Marv Zoucha	Renee Norris	Katie Claus		
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Financial Administrators:	Donna Augspurger	Robin Lehr	Stuart Gausman Bell Choir Director	Lay Pastor Antonio Garcia El Buen Pastor Fellowship
Terry Millard	Terry Norris	Marv Zoucha		

JOYS & CONCERNS

If you have any joys or concerns, please share with the congregation by informing the office.

Pray for Rebecca Timperley who will have a skin graft on Wednesday, August 18th. In addition, pray for relief from nerve pain, regeneration of leg bone, continued strength and financial provisions.
Pray for the family of Amelia (Amy) Palik, Annette Griffith's sister. Amelia passed away on August 9, services were August 12 at St. Mary's in David City.
Congratulations to Linda Mohr, daughter of Don & Norma Schaufelberger. Linda will be "Reverend" on August 22nd at 3pm in a virtual Rite of Ordination.

Liturgist Volunteers Needed! Please contact the office if you are available in September

Used Ink Jet Cartridges Are Recyclable!!

Bring your used ink jet cartridges to the church and help out our Youth programs!

Scheduled Memorial Services for:

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

Social Concerns & Missions Committee:

Donations for July, August and September will be for Paws and Claws: Clorox, Pine Sol and leashes

Many thanks to Bob Trautwein for doing an amazing job chairing the Garage Sale once again!

Total amount raised was \$7,336.45!

The Small Groups by the Membership and Growth Committee would like to get these restarted! If you were in a group before (or would like to join!) please contact the others in the group to initiate this! ~ Federated Family Fellowship - Brenda Sand

~ Bookworms Club - Nila Novotny

~ YAFEDS (young adults) - Katie Ćlaus & Julie Graham

~ Art Connoisseurs - Kathy Leischner, Sharon Kuncl, Nell Burnham.

If you have ideas for other groups, please get ahold of one of the members of Membership & Growth to learn how to start your own!

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, August 15th 10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary -1st ever Blessing of the Backpacks 11:00am Parade Float Decorating, Parking Lot 3:00pm Columbus Days Parade Begins Monday, August 16th - Carpet Cleaning* 4:00pm CHS Diamond Dancers Practice, Gym 7:00pm Boy Scouts 212 Meeting, Fellowship Hall Tuesday, August 17th - Carpet Cleaning* 1:00pm Lectionary Afternoon Bible Study, EC 8 6:30pm Finance & Property Cmtee, EC 8 7:00pm Personnel Committee, EC7 7:00pm Cub Scouts 279 Meeting, Fellowship Hall Wednesday, August 18th - Carpet Cleaning* 12:30pm All-Staff Meeting, AD 2 4:30pm Lectionary Evening Bible Study, Online 6:30pm PNC Committee Meeting, EC8 Thursday, August 19th 4:00pm CHS Diamond Dancers Practice, Gym 6:30pm H.I.S. Puppeteers Meeting, EC1 6:30pm Thursday Evening Worship, Sanctuary Friday, August 20th No Events Scheduled Saturday, August 21st No Events Scheduled Sunday, August 22nd

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

*Carpet Cleaning

Monday, 16th to Wednesday, 18th if you have a meeting or event scheduled, you may have to relocate to a different area

H.I.S. Puppeteer Meeting

Anybody who is interested please come! Thursday, August 19th, 6:30pm in EC1

Bible Reading Questions

- Why does Haman wish to have all the Jews in Persia executed? (Esther 3)

- Does Jesus agree that the people who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell were worse sinners than other people? (Luke 13)



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>4th Monday of the month</u> **from** <u>3:00pm - 4:00pm</u>. If your are interested in joining this meeting but the time does not work well for you, please inform Pastor Edward.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, AND SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2021 Hymns, Songs, Prayers, and liturgies in **Bold** are for the participation of the **Congregation**

Prelude

Hymns of Praise and Promise Lee Augustin, Piano and Organ Adagio from Marcello Sonata Dave Melick, Trumpet

ARR. GLOVER

Welcome and Announcements Moment for Mission (Sun.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Illustrated Ministry & Presbyterian Outlook

One: Calling all children of the Living God: the gospel is good news for every age and every stage.

All: Let us worship together, the young and the old.

One: The good news is proclaimed in God's words, and also with crayons, silly songs, snacks, and rest time.

All: Let us worship together, every generation.

- One: After months of learning behind screens or separated by dividers and physical space,
- All: Let us worship together, with our family of faith.
- One: We may still feel uncertain, seeing so many faces again, but we come together seeking God's peace in this beautiful community.
- All: Let us worship together, united in Christ.

OPENING SONG

Give Thanks iWorship

Don Moen

CALL TO CONFESSION

There is a sort of wisdom that comes in admitting our limitations, and asking God for help. When we ask, God listens; and when God listens, we change for the better. Let us ask God for help, together.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we may not be the leaders of states, the sovereigns of this world, but we do have power. We confess the ways we hoard our power, or exert it over others in vain efforts to establish ourselves. Forgive us for trying to make a name for ourselves at the expense of others. Forgive us for forgetting our own belovedness. Show us the path of wisdom once more, and give us the courage to walk in it, together.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

Assurance of Pardon

One: Take a deep breath. Release all you've held too tightly.

- All: Feel how deeply held we are in the love of God.
- One: Believe that God is enough, that you are enough, that we are enough.
- All: Let us live in the grounding knowledge that God's forgiveness goes ahead of us, and behind us, and within us. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

One: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share that peace with one another.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Letter of Paul to the Ephesians 5:15-20

Children's Sermon (Sun.)

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

Nicene Creed (responsive reading)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Rejoicing from Handel's "Royal Fireworks"

Blessing of the Backpacks

Sermon

SPECIAL MUSIC

Responding to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

One: Loving God,

All: hold us and our prayers.

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

Financial gifts can be dropped off in the contribution box, located at the entrance of the Sanctuary. **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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

Julie Graham, Liturgist

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Rev. Edward Yang

***UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Loving God, bless the year before us with miracles of your mercy and strength, and help us appreciate most of all the bedrock miracle of your presence with us in every single ordinary, sacred moment. May the changes in ourselves and our world through the pandemic bring layers of goodness we'd have never had otherwise. Lead us this school year into life-giving rhythms of grace and light, where our regular routines become the framework for worship and blessing. Amen.





"Oh, the Places We'll Go!" is the theme for Columbus Days this year (Aug. 13 - 15). Our idea for Federated's float is above. We still need volunteers to help with:
-Any volunteers are welcome for the diaper changing station, all days, all shifts -Decorating the float at 10am Sat. Aug. 14
-Finish decorating the float after service Sun. Aug. 15
-People to walk with the float and hand out candy & stickers; parade starts at 3pm, gathering beforehand in the NPPD parking lot
-Tearing down the diaper changing station after 3p,m Sun. Aug 15 If you have any questions, please contact Nila. Thank you all for helping!

Co-Chair Needed!

We are looking for an individual who would be willing to Co-Chair the annual Cookies 'N More event in November! If you are interested in helping, please contact Rogalyn Stevens.

Volunteers Please!

We are looking for volunteers who are willing to answer the phone and assist visitors for at least an hour a day, Monday through Friday. Specifically, over Chrissy's lunch hour, 12:30 -1:30. If you are able to help, please call the church. We will need helpers until we can find an Assistant. Thank you in advance!