





FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, September 9, and Sunday, September 12, 2021

Mission Statement:

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

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	
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JOYS & CONCERNS

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

- Pray for Rebecca Timperley as "healing seems to be going slow" yet "much more rapidly than expected". She will find out soon if another leg surgery is needed. Pray also for Paula as she takes care of Rebecca.
- Pray for the family of William (Bill) Neater, brother of Joan Specht. Bill passed away on August 11th at his home from natural causes. A Celebration of Life will be held at 11am on Saturday, September 11th at Wunderlich's. Friends and loved ones are invited to attend.
- ◆ 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.

Chancel Choir News:

The Chancel Choir was planning to resume rehearsals on Sept. 8. Due to the uptick in COVID cases in the Columbus area, the director has made the difficult decision to wait awhile longer.

Please stay tuned for updates.

Social Concerns & Missions Committee:

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

The 4th Quarter 2021 (Oct., Nov., Dec.) These Days is now available in the office and Narthex.



Bible Reading Questions

- What was the occupation of Luke? (Colossians 4)
- According to Proverbs 22, what is more valuable than wealth?



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 (in-person and

online via Zoom) which is tentatively scheduled for the 4th Monday of the month from 3:00pm - 4:00pm. If your are interested in joining this meeting but the time does not work well for you, please inform Pastor Edward.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, September 12th

8:45am SALT on Sunday, EC4

9:00am Ed Hour Kick-Off, EC rooms & Outside 10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, September 13th

4:00pm Diamond Dancers, Gym

6:30pm Membership & Growth Meeting, EC 4

7:00pm Boy Scouts 212 Meeting, FH

Tuesday, September 14th

9:00am OSA-Caring/Sharing Hands, FH, Kitchen 1:00pm Lectionary Afternoon Bible Study, EC 8

6:30pm Christian Ed. Meeting, EC 8

7:00pm Cub Scouts 279 Den Meeting, FH

Wednesday, September 15th

9:30am Circle 1, Fellowship Hall 10:00am Staff Meeting, AD 2

1:00pm Circle 2 Bible Study, Fellowship Hall

4:30pm Lectionary Evening Bible Study, Online

Thursday, September 16th

4:00pm Diamond Dancers, Gym

6:30pm Thursday Evening Worship, Sanctuary

Friday, September 17th

5:30pm Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, September 18th

2:00pm Daly-Griffith Wedding

Sunday, September 19th

8:45am SALT on Sunday, EC4

9:00am Education Hour, EC rooms

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary 11:00am Youth Ministry Committee, EC8

Upcoming Special Services:

Virginia Smith - Saturday, October 2nd, 11am Memorial Service at Federated Church

Used Ink Jet Cartridges Are Recyclable!!

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

Circle 1 Meeting

will be in the Fellowship Hall on September 15th, 9:30am.

Federated will be delivering *Meals on Wheels*September 20 to 24.

Jean Royer will be coordinating volunteers.
402-564-8012 or 402-910-6688.

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.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021 Hymns, Songs, Prayers, and liturgies in **Bold** are for the participation of the **Congregation**

PRELUDE Adagio Cantabile Beethoven

I Cry to Thee BACH

Jim Sharpe, Piano and Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIDEO CLIP Our Prayer for 9-11 (Motion Worship)

CALL TO WORSHIP PCUSA Office of Christian Formation & FotW

One: The heavens are telling the glory of God,

All: and wisdom cries out in the streets!

One: The Lord has given us teachers

All: to sustain the weary with a word.

One: Day by day, God awakens us

All: to listen for the word of the Lord.

One: Let us worship God.

OPENING SONG A Jubilant Call to Praise MARTIN

Chancel Choir, Recorded September 8, 2019

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, your teaching is perfect, reviving the soul - yet we fail to receive the gift of grace you offer. Your testimony is sure, enlightening the mind - yet we fail to bear witness to your way of truth and life. Forgive us, God of grace. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight; through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

One: God, who is gracious and merciful, knows the human desire to save our lives by avoiding Jesus' call to carry the cross.

All: God, who is full of compassion, also knows that those who repent have set their minds and hearts on what endures for all times.

One: Your sin is forgiven.

All: The Lord God is a very present help to those who seek to follow in the way of divine things.

One: Go with God in joy as you take up your cross, in Jesus' name.

PASSING THE PEACE

One: Let us celebrate God's grace by sharing a sign of peace. 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

Prayer for Illumination Marilyn Vrana, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING Gospel According to Mark 8: 27 - 38 NRSV, New Testament, Page 43

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON Rev. Edward Yang

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Affirmation of Faith:

One: God calls ordinary people from ordinary places to do extraordinary work with God's people. God called Abraham and Sarah to pack their belongings and follow God to a new land.

All: So Abraham and Sarah packed up and followed God.

One: God called Moses to take the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt.

Moses said, "No, God, not me! The people won't believe me. I am slow of speech and slow of tongue." God said, "Moses, I want you to go. Aaron, your brother can speak for you."

All: So Moses took his wife and his children and went back to Egypt.

One: God called David to be a king, even though he was a young boy and the youngest of all of Jesse's sons.

All: So Samuel anointed David, and he rose to be a great king.

One: God called Mary to have a baby and name the child "Jesus," because he would save the people from their sins.

All: And Mary said to the Lord "Let it be done to me according to Your word."

One: God called Peter and James and John away from their families, their homes, and their work as fishermen.

All: And they dropped their nets and followed Jesus.

One: God called Martha away from the kitchen and Lydia away from her purple cloth, and Priscilla to open her home as a new church.

All: So they dropped what they were doing and followed God's call in their lives.

Children's Moment — Commissioning of Education Hour Teachers and Students (SUN.)

Children's Ministry Teachers: Heidi Klevemann, Kristi Wolfe, Nicole Miller & Matt Miller

Confirmation Teachers: Brenda Sand & Edward Yang **Youth Ministry Teachers:** Lisa Perrin & Max Porter **Adult Education Teachers:** Katie Claus & Mark Weeder

COMMISSIONING PRAYER

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

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.

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of all wisdom and truth, we offer you our lives, our gifts, all our talent, all our treasure. We entrust to your care those who teach and learn, and all who devote themselves to the work of formation - teachers and students, staff and administrators, parents and children. Make us faithful disciples and shape us for your service; through the Lord Jesus Christ, our teacher and our friend. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN #465

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

THE TEXT OF THE CLOSING HYMN WAS WRITTEN BY AN IRISH-BORN IMMIGRANT TO CANADA TO COMFORT HIS MOTHER IN IRELAND WHEN SHE WAS GOING THROUGH A TIME OF SPECIAL SORROW. THE ROLE OF PRAYER AS A SOURCE OF STRENGTH AND CONSOLATION IS UNDERSCORED BY ITS REPEATED USE AS A RHYME WORD IN ALL THREE STANZAS.

BENEDICTION

Postlude (Sun.)

Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now

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AseraCare Hospice in Norfolk is looking for volunteers in our area to provide support to terminally ill patients and their families.

You can visit, read to someone or just sit along side them on their journey.

AseraCare has been giving compassionate care for over 15 years in Northeast Nebraska.

Training is provided at no cost.

To sign up or get more information, contact Jean Hughes, Volunteer Coordinator, at the AseraCare Hospice in Norfolk, 402-379-4158.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is mobilized and already delivering immediate aid to those impacted by Hurricane Ida. The initial assessment of the damage is staggering. The needs of those impacted is changing daily because of lack of access to power, refrigeration, water and housing. This will be a long-term commitment to the people impacted by this catastrophic destruction.

To Give:

Gifts can be made online (https://pma.pcusa.org, click red bar at top "Support the church's response to Hurricane Ida"), by phone at (800) 872-3283 or by check, which can be made payable and mailed to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.



Appeal for Hurricane Ida Relief

The UCC has launched a 'Special Storms 2021' appeal to take donations for Hurricane Ida relief. **Gifts can be made on the UCC website and search "Appeal: Severe Storms 2021".** In addition to financial gifts and prayers for the people in the hurricane zone, making emergency cleanup buckets is a hands-on way for churches to respond. More information about that on the webpage as well.

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