





FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, September 23, and Sunday, September 26, 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	
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 Christian Education Director brenda@federatedcolumbus.org
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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 she deals with tremendous amounts of pain. Thankfully there are signs of healing with bone regeneration and physical therapy.
- ◆ Pray for family of Delaney Lopour, grandmother of Lacey Ternus. Delaney passed away on September 9, 2021.
- Pray for family of Ann Love, mother of Robin & Clark Lehr. Ann passed away on September 10, 2021 and funeral services were on September 16th.
- ◆ Congratulations to Mitchell & Brea Griffith who shared their wedding vows at Federated Church on Saturday, September 18th.
- From Homestead Presbytery: Gresham
- ♦ Forgive us, O God, for our arrogance. For too long we have relied on our own efforts, our own morality, our own spirits. We have depended on walking our own paths and wandered in our own valley of spiritual elitism. Show us Your ways, O God. Make clear Your paths; that we might seek, knock, and find. Bless our church. Make it as beautiful inside as it is now on the outside. Give us the ability to share our faith with future saints in humility and wisdom gained from decades of walking with You. Bring clarity to our vision so that we see only You and Your way forward. In joyful freedom of spirit we pray.

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



<u>Bible Reading Sharing & Discussion meeting</u> will be on September 27th from 3pm - 4pm.

Join and share your thought on what has been surprising and/or confusing while reading Scripture. Completion of the Bible reading is not required to attend this meeting.

Our monthly meeting will be hybrid in-person and online, you can either come to **EC8** at church or connect on Zoom (email Chrissy for link and codes) Participants are welcome to send a note with questions or comments about the Bible reading to Edward.



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 26th

8:45am SALT on Sunday, EC4

9:00am Education Hour, EC & Upper rooms

10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, September 27th

3:00pm Bible Reading Sharing/Discussion, EC8

4:00pm Diamond Dancers, Gym 4:30pm Cookies N'More, Library

5:00pm Columbus Lions Meeting, EC4 7:00pm Boy Scouts 212 Meeting, FH

Tuesday, September 28th

1:00pm Lectionary Afternoon Bible Study, EC 8

7:00pm Governing Council

7:00pm Cub Scouts 279 Den Meeting, FH

Wednesday, September 29th

10:00am Staff Meeting, AD 2

4:30pm Lectionary Evening Bible Study, Online 6:30pm Nominating Committee Meeting, EC8

6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, September 30th

4:00pm Diamond Dancers, Gym 6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, October 1st - No Events Scheduled

Saturday, October 2nd

11:00am Memorial Service for Virginia Smith

Sunday, October 3rd - World Communion Sunday

8:45am SALT on Sunday, EC4

9:00am Education Hour, EC & Upper rooms 10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

For many years, you members of Federated's congregation have been so very supportive... and now, your generosity with loving words and money gifts is truly humbling. As individuals, each of us finds our "comfort zone ways" in which to serve our God... my spot just happened to have volume!!! Again, my sincere appreciation to each of you. - Lee Augustin

Bible Reading Questions

- Paul cherished a deep affection for Timothy. How does Paul describe his relationship to him? (1 Timothy 1)
- When all is said and done, what is the basic thing that people should do, according to Ecclesiastes? (Ecclesiastes 12:13)

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2021 Hymns, Songs, Prayers, and liturgies in **Bold** are for the participation of the **Congregation**

PRELUDE How Shall I Greet Thee? ERNST PEPPING

Canon in D Major

JOHANN PACHELBEL

Jim Sharpe, Piano and Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP (SUN.)

CALL TO WORSHIP UCC WORSHIP WAYS

One: I am the church; you are the church.

All: We are the church together.

One: We depend on our seniors and long-time members

to remember where we came from and where we have been.

All: We are the church together.

One: We depend on our children to retell our sacred stories

as they grow.

All: We are the church together.

One: We depend on our youth and young adults to ask us why we do things

this way and to suggest something new.

All: We are the church together.

One: We need each other to be the church.

All: We are the church together.

OPENING SONG What Wondrous Love Is This? HAYES

Chancel Choir, Recorded April 6, 2014

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creator of us all, we sometimes forget: we forget that we are not alone, we forget that you made us, we forget that we have had help along the way, we forget to ask for what we need.

Embodied God, remind us that we are surrounded. We are surrounded by the people you have created, and by the many gifts you have given them to share. Remind us of our own gifts, and the ways we may use them in community.

Suffering Savior, we confess that in our own struggle to survive, we have ignored other communities. We have forgotten that they too have the right to survive. Make us mindful. Make us compassionate. Help us to see you in one another.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Beloved in Christ, know that you are God's own and that through divine

love you are freed to begin anew the work of living together in compassionate community.

All: Alleluia, amen!

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

Children's Moment (SUN.)

Bible for 3 Years and 3rd Graders

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

Prayer for Illumination

Katie Claus, Liturgist (SUN.)

SCRIPTURE READING

Letter of James 5:13-20

PEW BIBLE, NEW TESTAMENT, PAGE 231

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:

"We Gather Together" by Adrianus Valerius

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;

he chastens and hastens his will to make known;

the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.

Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine; so from the beginning the fight we were winning; thou, Lord, wast at our side; all glory be thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant, and pray that thou still our defender wilt be.
Let thy congregation escape tribulation; thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

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

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

May these tangible gifts and all the intangible gifts we share among us make known to the world that God is within us and among us. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN GTG #306

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

BENEDICTION

Postlude (Sun.)

Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness

MYRON CASNER

Blest Be the Tie That Binds 306



Written to express a pastor's unwillingness to leave a beloved congregation, this hymn is frequently used as an expression of Christian fellowship, especially at the conclusion of the Lord's Supper. The tune is attributed to an influential Swiss musician and publisher.

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 Mid-October. Thank you in advance!

Also, please contact the church office with your availability in October for Liturgist!

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.

Homestead Presbytery Bucket Challenge!
Homestead is requesting each church to fill
buckets for Disaster Relief Assistance. To help,
grab an index card in the Narthex and bring the
item on the card. Social Concerns & Missions'
goal is to fill 8 buckets by Nov. 1st!

Car Window Stickers Available!

Window stickers are available in the office during work hours and in the Narthex.

Goodwill offering requested.



The Homestead Presbytery is challenging all churches in the Presbytery to fill buckets for Disaster Relief for those affected by hurricanes, floods and fires. If our Presbytery churches rises to the challenge, we can fill close to 500 buckets. You can help by picking up an index card each with one item on it and return it to the church the next week. Every week there will be a new card. By November 1st we should have 8 buckets filled. The two remaining buckets will be filled by Circle One and Circle Four. The buckets were purchased by the Social Concerns and Mission Committee.

The Small Groups by Membership and Growth

has 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 Claus & Julie Graham
- Art Connoisseurs Kathy Leischner, SharonKuncl, 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!

Used Ink Jet Cartridges Are Recyclable!!

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

OSA "Caring Hands, Sharing Hands"!

The Order of St. Andrew "Caring Hands, Sharing Hands" members have been busy preparing and freezing casseroles to be shared with church members who may need a comforting meal and visit throughout the year. If you know a member who could benefit, please let the church office know.

