



FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, January 16, 2022
2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Mission Statement:

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

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 2022- Federated Church Elders			Federated Church Clergy and Staff	
Wayne McCormick, President Julie Graham 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
<u>Class of 2022</u>	<u>Class of 2023</u>	<u>Class of 2024</u>	Chrissy Ford, Office Administrator cford@federatedcolumbus.org	Kathy Zywiec, Office Assistant kathy@federatedcolumbus.org
John McClure	Jesse Abrego	Donna Augspurger	Bob Arp, Chancel Choir Director	Stuart Gausman, Bell Choir Director
Renee Norris	Katie Claus	John McPhail	James Sharpe, Organist/Accompanist	Lay Pastor Antonio Garcia, El Buen Pastor Fellowship
Alison Wagner	Mimi Ernst	Mark Weeder	Betty Garcia Lopez, Nursery Attendant	
Financial Administrators:	Donna Augspurger	Robin Lehr		
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 as she recovers from amputation surgery, which went well. Pray also for Paula as she continues to care for Rebecca while she recuperates.
- ♦ Pray for Deanna Scheidegger as she prepares for knee replacement surgery, which has been postponed.
- ♦ Pray for Leroy Kallweit as he recovers at home from his staph infection.
- ♦ Happy birthday wishes to Karen Paben on January 16th. It seems her last name was cut off in the January Newsletter!
- ♦ Pray for Julie Graham on her Mission to Nicaragua from January 20th through January 30th. Below are some of the prayers requested from Julie :
 - Need prayers that all paperwork get approved for travel and inventory of supplies
 - Need prayers for the patients and families that will be having surgery
 - Need prayers for the team of doctors and nurses and support staff
- ♦ Homestead Presbytery: **Niobrara-Verdel**
As we enter 2022, Niobrara-Verdel Presbyterian Church is in the throws of change in addition to our financial troubles. As members of the Faiths United Parish with the Niobrara Lutheran Church, we are looking to Call a new Pastor this year. We have all been working closely together as we enter this time. We would appreciate your prayers, and will keep you all in ours.

Used Ink Jet Cartridges are Recyclable!!!

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

Federated will deliver Meals on Wheels Feb. 7 - 11

Renee Bellum will coordinate

Call 563-2441 or 276-2454

2021 Contribution Statements are available in the Narthex. If you would like yours mailed or emailed, please let the office know. Those that are not picked up by January 30th will be mailed.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, January 16th

8:45am SALT (Adult Ed), EC4/5

9:00am Education Hour, EC Rooms

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

11:00am Puppets Practice, EC Rooms

Monday, January 17th

4:00pm CHS Diamond Dancers, Gym

7:00pm Boy Scouts Troop 212, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, January 18th

1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study, EC8/Zoom

6:30pm Finance & Property, EC8

7:00pm Personnel Committee Meeting, EC7

7:00pm Cub Scouts 279 Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, January 19th

9:00am Circle 1, Fellowship Hall

10:00am Staff Meeting, Church Office

1:30 pm Circle 2 Meeting

4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study, Zoom

6:30pm Bell Choir Practice, Sanctuary

7:30pm Chancel Choir Practice, Sanctuary

Thursday, January 20th

4:00pm CHS Diamond Dancers, Gym

6:30pm Thursday Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, January 21st

No Events Scheduled

Saturday, January 22nd

No Events Scheduled

Sunday, January 23rd

8:45am SALT (Adult Ed), EC4/5

9:00am Education Hour, EC Rooms

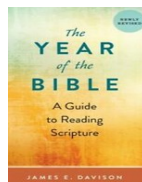
10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

11:00am Puppets Practice, EC Rooms

11:00am Youth Sunday Funday

Bible Reading Questions

- In Micah we read that what God considers good - what the Lord requires of us - is essentially three things. What are they? (Micah 6)
- According to Revelation, the "mark of the beast" is a name represented as a number, which people will be forced to bear if they hope to participate in trade and commerce. What is the number? (Revelations 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 (**in-person and online via Zoom**) which is tentatively scheduled for **Monday, January 24th from 3:00pm - 4:00pm, there is no meeting in December**. If you are interested in joining this meeting but the time does not work well for you, please inform Pastor Edward.

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 2022 & SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2022

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

PRELUDE

I Stand at the Threshold

BACH

Arabesque

ROBERT SCHUMAN

James Sharpe, Organ/Piano

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 24)

One: The earth is the LORD's and everything in it,

All: the world and its inhabitants too.

One: Because God is the one who established it on the seas;

All: God set it firmly on the waters.

One: Who can ascend the LORD's mountain?

All: Who can stand in his holy sanctuary?

One: Let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN

Blessed Assurance

PLAYBACK MEDIA

CALL TO CONFESSION

PCUSA BOOK OF COMMON WORSHIP

The grace of God overflows for us through Christ Jesus who came into the world to save sinners.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

One: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

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

BELLS OF JOY

A Joyful Ring

KINYON

Bell Choir, Stuart Gausman, Director

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Doug Williams, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel According to John 15 : 1 - 17

Pew Bible, NT, Page 109

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Rev. Michele Monroe-Clark

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

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RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.
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

OFFERTORY

Holy is the Lord

ARR. MCCHESENEY

*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

UCC WORSHIP WAYS

O God, we commit to use all our gifts – wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, working of miracles, discernment, administration, hospitality, and finances – in the service of acting as co-workers with you and each other for peace and justice to flow like a mighty stream. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN #439

In Christ There Is No East or West

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Trumpet Tune in C Major
Café La Fed is hosted by Chancel Choir*

DAVID N. JOHNSON

Social Concerns and Mission Committee is asking for the following donations:

January, February, March---Peanut butter for the Backpack program. A HUGE THANK YOU for all your generous contributions to these causes in 2021. All were most appreciated by the recipients.

A sign up sheet to take a meal to **THE RESCUE MISSION** is on the table in the Narthex. Thanks to all who took nourishing meals to those in need in 2021. Let's fill up the sheet for 2022!

Calling all past and future singers!

If you love to sing, or if you have always had a hankering to learn how, consider joining the Chancel Choir! As a choir director for over 35 years, I have seen many people that said "I can't sing," only to find out that when they are surrounded by a group of other singers, they blossom! The one-hour rehearsals are Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm.
Give us a try!

Small Groups by Membership and Growth

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 Adult FEDS) - Katie Claus & Julie Graham
- ◇ Art Connoisseurs- Kathy Leischner, Sharon Kuncel & Nell Burnham

Bells of Joy!

Would you like to participate during service? Do you have an hour a week to participate?

Why not join the Bell Choir?!

We are always looking for new ringers. We practice one hour a week and play once a month.

Rehearsals are Wednesday at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary. (We are wearing masks.) Show up to a rehearsal and Stuart will get you started!

All are welcome!

Youth Mission Narthex Book Sale!

Starting this weekend we will once again have our Narthex Book Sale. The proceeds will go toward the Youth Missions Fund and/or Triennium. You can bring in your gently used books and trade them for others OR just buy a few with a goodwill donation!

Columbus Medical Mission Team

In the Church Narthex, there is a display of a stove, photos and information that has and is being developed and marketed internationally in developing countries, as an alternative way to cook in the native huts of the indigenous people living there. Many or even most cooking is done by open fire inside the huts. This leads to burns, breathing problems, and adds significantly to deforestation. The displayed stove would be, helps to reduce burns significantly and also significantly reduces lung disease and breathing problems. This is part of the mission of Nila and John Novotny as they travel worldwide with their group (Columbus Medical Mission Team). Federated Church and its members have been very supportive of these mission efforts, and the Novotny's would like to give thanks for all the support and prayer of these missions.

