



FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, January 23rd, 2022
3rd 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.
- ♦ Leroy Kallweit would like to thank everyone for their prayers and well wishes, as he is now recovering at home.
- ♦ Pray for Marcia Grant as she prepares for shoulder surgery, which is currently scheduled for January 25th.
- ♦ 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: **Norfolk**

Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Norfolk congregation. May they continue to grow as a caring and nurturing Christian community, as well as individuals, focusing on prayer, Bible study and worship.

Please be patient with our phone systems, they are not currently working properly. The phone number is still the same, 402-564-2812, but it may take up to three times to get a hold of the office. Office hours are still 8am to 4:30pm, so, if you don't get through the first time you call OR you get a message saying the number is not in service, just hang up and keep trying!

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 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
- 11:15 am Sunday Funday & Triennium Meeting, Upper room, FH, Gym

Monday, January 24th

- 4:00pm CHS Diamond Dancers, Gym
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts Troop 212, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, January 25th

- 1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study, EC8/Zoom
- 7:00pm Governing Council Meeting, EC8
- 7:00pm Cub Scouts 279 Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, January 26th

- 10:00am Staff Meeting, Church Office
- 4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study, Zoom
- 6:30pm Bell Choir Practice, Sanctuary
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Practice, Sanctuary

Thursday, January 27th

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

Friday, January 28th

No Events Scheduled

Saturday, January 29th

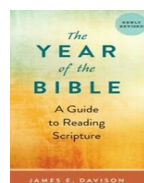
No Events Scheduled

Sunday, January 30th

- 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

Bible Reading Questions

- What promises did God make for Jerusalem? (Zechariah 8)
- How does the Bible conclude? (Revelation 22)



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**, your 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 20, 2022 & SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2022

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

PRELUDE

Sonata 12 - Andante con Variazioni
James Sharpe, Organ/Piano

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

FEASTING ON THE WORD

One: God built the heavens, the earth, and everything in them.

All: God calls us to be builders as well.

One: God calls us to build our lives:

All: to restore broken places and continue to grow.

One: God calls us to build our faith:

All: to study the Word and ponder its interpretation.

One: God calls us to build our community:

All: to build bridges of understanding and systems of justice.

One: God calls us to build history by fulfilling the promises of Scripture:

All: to preach the good news of God's love and liberation for all people.

OPENING HYMN

No Longer Slaves

PLAYBACK MEDIA

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sin as an offering of our trust in God's love and forgiveness for us.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of our Restoration, whenever we come home to you, we realize how far we have strayed and how much we have forgotten of your law and your love. We have not loved you with our whole hearts or loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, heal us, and restore us to our relationship with you; through Jesus Christ, in whom we trust.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

One: God's word does not come to condemn us, but to make us wise, reviving our souls and rejoicing our hearts. God's Word has been fulfilled among us in Jesus Christ, who sets us free to live in accord with God's own jubilee.

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

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

CHORAL ANTHEM

Our God is a Rock

DAVIS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Nicole Miller, Liturgist

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

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SCRIPTURE READING

Nehemiah 8 : 1 - 3, 5 - 6, 8 - 10

Gospel According to Luke 4 : 14 – 21

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Pew Bible, OT, Page 436

Pew Bible, NT, Page 61

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: "LIVE INTO HOPE"** by Jane Parker Huber

Live into hope of captives freed,

Of sight regained, the end of greed.

The oppressed shall be the first to see

The year of God's own jubilee!

Live into hope the blind shall see

With insight and with clarity,

Removing shades of pride and fear--

A vision of our God brought near.

Live into hope of liberty,

The right to speak the right to be,

The right to have one's daily bread,

To hear God's word and thus be fed.

Live into hope of captives freed

From chains of fear or want or greed.

God now proclaims our full release

To faith and hope and joy and peace.

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

Prelude in B Minor

FREDRIC CHOPIN

*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 life and of new life, bless these gifts that we have given that they may further your reign in this world. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN #434

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

(Verses 1, 3, 4)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune in D Major

HENRY PURCELL

Café La Fed is hosted by Music and Worship Committee

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

January, February, March---Peanut butter for the Backpack program. The Backpack program uses 16-ounce plastic jars of peanut butter in the food bags. 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 Triennium. You can bring in your gently used books and trade them for others OR just buy a few with a freewill 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.

