



# FEDERATED CHURCH

**Thursday, May 5th & Sunday, May 8th, 2022**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

## **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](http://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 (402) 302-2812.**

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# Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, MAY 5TH & SUNDAY, MAY 8, 2022

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

PRELUDE

*Cantabile*

CÉSAR FRANCK

James Sharpe, Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

ADAPTED FROM PSALM 23

One: God is our shepherd, we shall not want.

**All: God spreads a table before us in the presence of those who trouble us.**

One: God has anointed our heads with oil and our cups are running over.

**All: Surely God's goodness and mercy will follow us all the days of our lives.**

One: Let us worship God.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**God - we give You praise. You lead us beside still waters, restoring our souls with Your comforting presence. You lead us in paths of righteousness for the sake of Jesus, who died for us. Even though we walk in valleys, we fear no evil for You protect us always. Amen and amen.**

## \*OPENING HYMN #387

***"Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us"***

## CALL TO CONFESSION

Family of faith, we come to confession, not to wallow in our own guilt, but instead we come to confession because we know that change starts with being honest. With a desire to grow and change, let us pray to God who loves us no matter what. Let us confess our sins together and then continue in silent confession.

## CONFESSION OF SIN

**O Creator of heaven and earth, O Son of God, Redeemer of the world, O Holy Spirit, three persons and one God - have mercy on us, for each of us has fallen short of your glory. Each of us has badly marred the divine image within us. Forgive us for failing to follow Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd of our lives. O Triune God, help us to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. Hear now our continued silent confession...**

## SILENT CONFESSION

## WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

One: God does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God's love toward those who fear God; as far as the east is from the west, so far does God remove our sins from us.

**All: In Christ, we know this is true, that we are forgiven.**

**Unison: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: Our peace comes from knowing how much God loves us in Jesus Christ. With God's help, we are to love one another and forgive one another as Christ loves and forgives us. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Please greet one another with a sign of peace.

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

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**SING THE FAITH SONG#2193      Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (sung twice)**

**LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

BELLS OF JOY APPRECIATION

Stuart Gausman, Director

Members of the Bells of Joy are: Ashli Porter, Sue Mares, Nila Novotny, Marilyn Petersen, Beth Sharpe  
Doris Augspurger. With regular Substitutes: Hailey Rathje, Lisa Weber, Dawn Foote

BELLS OF JOY

*Jubilant Fanfare*  
Stuart Gausman, Director

KEVIN MCCHESENEY

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Alison Wagner, Liturgist

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Gospel According to John 10 : 22 - 30

Pew Bible, NT, Page 104

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

**All: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

*"The Shepherd, The Sheep, and Salvation"*

Rev. Sue Babovec

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty; Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended to hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. 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

*Simple Gifts*

SUSAN E.GESCHKE

**\*DOXOLOGY**

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.***

**\*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Gracious God, we have beheld your goodness to us. Accept the offering of the work of our hands, and use us for the sake of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

**\*CLOSING HYMN GTG #462**

***"I Love To Tell The Story"***

**\*BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

*We All Believe in One True God*

J. S. BACH

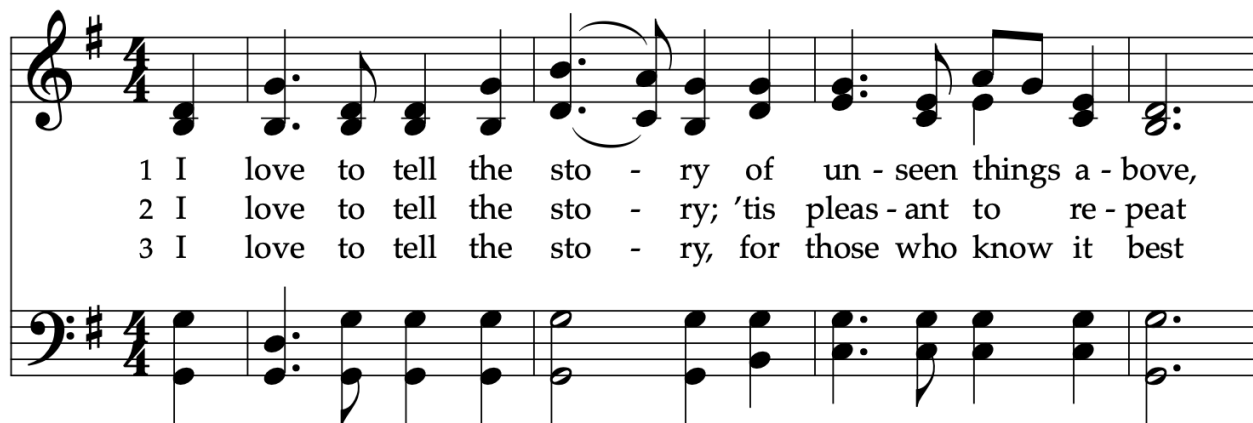
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**\*As you are able, please rise in body or in spirit.**

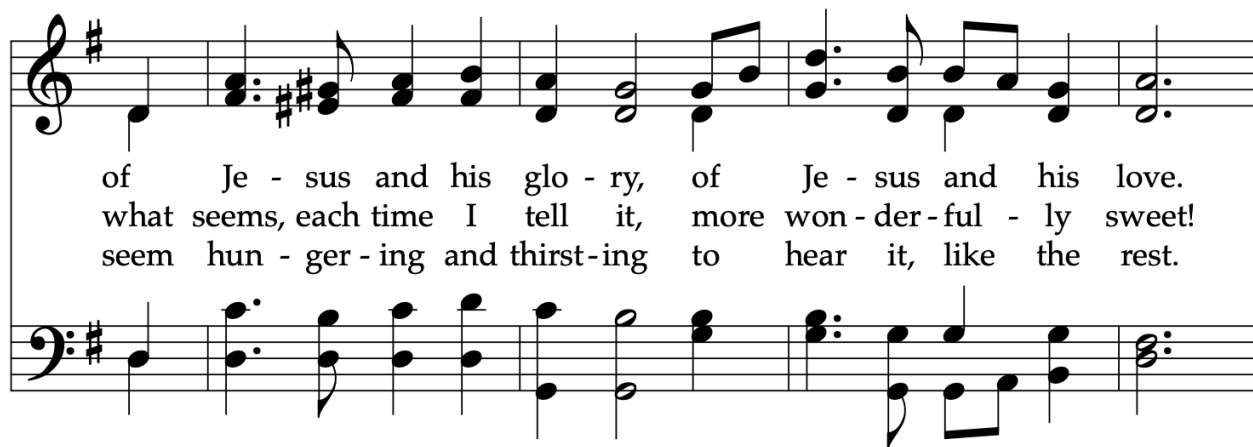
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## I Love to Tell the Story



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,  
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry; 'tis pleas - ant to re - peat  
 3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.  
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!  
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it, like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know 'tis true;  
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard  
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else could do.  
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly Word.  
 'twill be the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

*Refrain*

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry

to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

This text is drawn from the second part of a fifty-stanza poem on the life of Christ written in 1866, during the author's recovery from a serious illness. The tune named for her first appeared three years later, and the composer was responsible for the creation of the refrain.

TEXT: Katherine Hankey, 1866; ref. William G. Fischer, 1869  
MUSIC: William G. Fischer, 1869

HANKEY  
7.6.7.6.D with refrain

Rev. Sue Babovec, a native of York, NE, now lives in Lincoln in her retirement. She enjoys filling in pulpits as needed around the presbytery; connecting with four grandsons in Wisconsin and Alaska via face time and looks forward to visiting again in person someday as well as reading, scrapbooking and being with other people.



## JOYS & CONCERNS

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

♦ Chancel Flowers are given by Gail Wurdeman and Sara Aerni, In loving memory of our parents, Irene & Harold Wurdeman. Happy Mother's Day Mom and Happy Birthday Dad!

### ♦ Homestead Presbytery: Wymore

With minimal health risks in our small community, we thankfully had only a few months of interruption to our in-person worship over the last couple years. We have maintained most of our joint parish-wide services and activities, including Lenten worship with our sister churches, Mission Creek and Steele City. We continue to enjoy opportunities of outreach in our local community. Pray that we rise to the task of loving our neighbors and offering the hand of Christ.

♦ **Prayer for UCC Living Waters Association:**  
Albion Congregational UCC (Albion, NE)



Vacation Bible School - June 13-17th - click here to register <https://forms.gle/2p9Vnb3mzvfcDAai7> or pick up a registration form at the church office.

Volunteers Needed for Vacation Bible School - June 13-17th - adult and youth (7th grade - 12th grade) helpers needed for Vacation Bible School. Please email [brendajsand@gmail.com](mailto:brendajsand@gmail.com) if you are able to help.

Volunteers needed in the Nursery - Sunday mornings 9:45 - 11:15 am - Volunteers needed to assist the Nursery Attendant in caring for children during worship services this summer. Volunteers would serve approximately once a month as their schedule allows. Please email [brendajsand@gmail.com](mailto:brendajsand@gmail.com) if you are able to help.

## THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

### Sunday, May 8th

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, May 9th

6:30pm Membership & Growth Committee, EC8  
7:00pm Boy Scouts Troop 212, Fellowship Hall

### Tuesday, May 10th

1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study, Library/Zoom  
6:30pm Christian Education Committee, EC8  
7:00pm Social Concerns & Missions Comm., EC4

### Wednesday, May 11th

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

### Thursday, May 12th

6:00pm Round Table Meeting, FH  
6:30pm Thursday Worship Service, Sanctuary  
7:00pm Order of the Arrow, EC8

### Friday, May 13th

7:00pm Basketball, Gym

### Saturday, May 14th

No Events Scheduled

### Sunday, May 15th

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

### Social Concerns and Mission Committee Monthly donation requests:

**April, May, June** - Bathroom Tissue and Paper Towels to be donated to Center for Survivors.

### **Youth Mother's Day Flower Sale is TODAY!**

### **Upcoming Events**

- May 22nd - Graduation Sunday
- May 30th - Memorial Day; Church office is closed.
- June 1 - First day for dropping off Garage Sale items.
- June 13 - 17th - Vacation Bible Camp
- July 23rd - Garage Sale / Bake Sale