



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, August 18th & Sunday, August 21st, 2022
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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.

In case of an emergency, please call Brenda (402) 276-2080.

Governing Council - Federated Church Elders			Federated Church Clergy and Staff	
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Order of St. Andrew - Federated Church Deacons			Bill Royer, <i>Head Usher</i>	
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Kathy Leischner	Barb Olson	Ruth Erwin		
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Welcome to Worship at Federated!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2022

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

PRELUDE

Jesus Walked this Lonesome Valley

ARR. BY ANTHONY GIAMANCO

The Old Rugged Cross

ARR. BY JOSEPH NIMOH

Jan Zaura, Bass Guitar

Stuart Gausman, Soprano Saxophone

James Sharpe, Piano & Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Lord will guide you continuously

All: and satisfy your needs in parched places;

One: you shall be like a watered garden,

All: whose spring never fails.

One: With thanksgiving and praise,

All: let us worship God

*OPENING SONG #389

O Jesus, I Have Promised

CALL TO CONFESSION

The prophet Isaiah assures us that when we cry for help, God will answer. So then, let us confess our sin, confident that God is ready to forgive.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of justice and love, we confess to you and to each other that we have not offered food to the hungry or satisfied the needs of the afflicted. We have spoken evil of others and pointed fingers in blame. We have turned away from you and our community, pursuing instead our own self-interests. Parched for mercy, we cry out for help. Forgive us, God, and teach us your ways, that we may be renewed like a garden freshly watered. Amen.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: In the waters of baptism we receive abundant mercy, flowing like a spring that never runs dry.

Forgiven and freed, we are reconciled with God and one another. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Please offer each other a sign of peace.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Blessing of Backpacks

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

SPECIAL MUSIC

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Traditional

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Wayne McCormick, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 13 : 10 - 17

Pew Bible, NT, page 76

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

All: Thanks be to God!

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

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

One: The Lord gives strength to his people.

All: The Lord blesses his people with peace.

One: From everlasting to everlasting the Lord's love is with those who believe in Him.

All: And with those who keep his covenants.

One: We gladly commit to the Lord.

All: And he will establish our plans.

One: We are your people.

All: And You are our God.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**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

Since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe.

Offer to God the gifts of your life and labor and come into God's courts with praise.

OFFERTORY

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

TRADITIONAL

***DOXOLOGY**

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

***UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Loving God, we rejoice in offering you these gifts, that our lives may show forth the wondrous healing of your love in the world.

***CLOSING HYMN #399**

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

BENEDICTION*POSTLUDE**

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

TRADITIONAL

Small Groups Starting Up!

If anyone is interested in joining **Bookworms**, our Federated Book Club, contact Nila Novotny.

We are going to restart **2X4S**, so contact Membership and Growth Committee or leave your name at the office if interested.

Meals on Wheels

Federated is scheduled to deliver Meals on Wheels Tuesday, Sept. 6th through Fri. Sept. 9th. There will be no meals delivered on Labor Day. Renee Bellum will coordinate, 402-563-2441 or 402-276-2454. Thank you to faithful servants.

The **Chancel Choir** will be resuming rehearsals on Wednesday, September 7, at 7:30 pm in the choir room. Please consider joining this dedicated group as they prepare for the autumn season. Little or no experience necessary! For additional information, contact choir director Bob Arp at 402-750-6115 or at barp1@neb.rr.com.

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

- ◆ Please pray for the family of Richard (Dick) Fry. He passed away on August 14th, funeral services pending.
- ◆ Please pray for Toby Sand and family. Toby had hip surgery on Friday, August 12th.
- ◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Fairbury**
God has abundantly blessed our church. Our church family is loving and active in the mission God has called us to. We do have a number of members who are experiencing difficulties and medical concerns. Please pray for their comfort and healing. We are busy planning for our upcoming Sunday School and Confirmation Class. We are so very blessed to have such wonderful teachers who guide our children and teach them about our faith. We are planning for some special events including lunch for our community's teachers, Harvest Festival, and a few others. It is our prayer that by engaging with our community, we can meet people where they are and lead them to Christ. We would like to thank all of our church leaders. Our Elders, Deacons, Christian Education, and Worship Teams, among many others, guide us in our faith and worship in a wonderful way. We appreciate them all. Please pray for our church and our mission as we work to shine the light of Christ in this dark world.
- ◆ **UCC Living Waters Association:** Omaha Countryside Community Church UCC (Omaha, NE 68114)

Church building will be closed on Labor Day, September 5th.

There are so many people to thank....

The entire Membership and Growth committee, especially Deb Curry, Jan Pickrel, Cindee Wachter and Chris Warren.

Setting up the tent and building the float. These folks aren't on the committee, but really stepped up: Annette Griffith, Tim Warren, Rod Wachter, John Novotny, John Petersen, Mark Weeder, and Mike Slizoski.

Brin Klevemann for being the star of the show on the float!

Sue and Larry Mares who made and served coffee in Frankfort Square.

Workers at the diaper changing station:

Amanda Weeder, Melanie Knoepfle, Sue Jacobs, Ashli Porter, Megan McHugh, Brea Griffith, Barb Olson, Beth Sharpe, Donna Augspurger, Nicole Miller, Heidi Klevemann, and Nancy Blackburn who also helped take down the tent.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, August 21st

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

3:00pm El Buen Prayer Services, Sanctuary

Monday, August 22nd

4:00pm CHS Diamond Dancers Practice, Gym

7:00pm Scouts Troop 212, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, August 23rd

7:00pm Governing Council meeting, EC8

Wednesday, August 24th

10:00am Staff Meeting, Church Office

Thursday, August 25th

4:00pm CHS Diamond Dancers Practice, Gym

6:30pm Thursday Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, August 26th

6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

Saturday, August 27th

No Events Scheduled

Sunday, August 28th

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

3:00pm El Buen Prayer Services, Sanctuary

A HUGE thank you to Harold & Rogalyn Stevens for taking all of the electronic recycling to Norfolk for us. We appreciate you!!!!!!

Social Concerns and Missions committee is collecting Clorox, Pine Sol and leashes for Paws and Claws July, August & September 2022

For anyone who would like a ride to worship services, we have a volunteer! Please contact the church office for their contact information!