



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, August 25th & Sunday, August 28th, 2022
Twelfth 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.

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Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 2022 & SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 2022

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

PRELUDE

Prelude (Op 28 No 15)
James Sharpe, Piano & Organ

FREDERIC CHOPIN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: All who exalt themselves will be humbled

All: And those who humble themselves will be exalted

One: God invites us all to the kingdom's banquet

All: Honored by God's welcome, we gather by grace

*OPENING SONG #455

All Creatures of Our God and King

CALL TO CONFESSION

The path of faithfulness is the path of humility. Let us bow before the God who created us and confess the sins that betray us and our faith.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Savior God, forgive us when we jockey for the highest position and the most honorable seat at your table. All are welcome, but we want to know who was invited first. We categorize and rank according to the world's standards, not yours. Forgive our hierarchical ways. Forgive our lust for prestige and power. Return us to Christ, our model of humility and our guide in faith. Have mercy on us, as we lift up our silent prayers of confession.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: "Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine."

All: Thanks be to God; we are forgiven and freed. 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

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

SPECIAL MUSIC

He Set My Life to Music
Alison Wagner

KYE FLEMING & DENNIS W. MORGAN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Katie Claus, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 14 : 1, 7 - 14

Pew Bible, NT, page 77

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**

All: Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

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

“Do good and share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.”

OFFERTORY

Prelude

CÉSAR FRANCK

***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**

Take our hearts, our hands, our gifts, Holy God. Mold us; shape us; send us so that we might be your body in the world you so love. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN #391Take My Life****BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

*Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing
Café LaFed hosted by James & Beth Sharpe*

HEALEY WILLAN

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.

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

◆ Congratulations to Michael & Rachael Griffith, who welcome daughter Helena Rae, born July 10th. Grandparents are Bob & Annette Griffith.

◆ Pray for the family of Carol Kaspar. Carol passed away on Thursday, August 25th. Funeral arrangements are pending.

◆ Homestead Presbytery: Falls City

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

◆ Homestead Presbytery: Fremont

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

◆ **UCC Living Waters Association:** Omaha First Central Congregational UCC (Omaha, NE 68131)

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, August 28th

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

3:00pm El Buen Prayer Services, Sanctuary

Monday, August 29th

4:00pm CHS Diamond Dancers Practice, Gym

5:15pm OSA Meeting, EC4

7:00pm Scouts Troop 212, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, August 30th

No Events Scheduled

Wednesday, August 31st

10:00am Staff Meeting, Church Office

Thursday, September 1st

4:00pm CHS Diamond Dancers Practice, Gym

6:00pm Round Table Meeting, FH

6:30pm Thursday Worship Service, Sanctuary

7:30pm Order of the Arrow Meeting, EC8

Friday, September 2nd

6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

Saturday, September 3rd

No Events Scheduled

Sunday, September 4th

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

3:00pm El Buen Prayer Services, Sanctuary

Monday, September 5th - Labor Day

Church building is closed

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.

Join us in singing contemplative music by Fauré and Rutter which affirms our ultimate destiny. Our program is Nov 5. We will be accompanied by strings, harp and organ. Rehearsals are Mondays, 7:00-8:30, beginning Sep 12. See fliers in Narthex. Please tell Jim Sharpe you are coming. Invite everyone!

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.

Social Concerns and Missions committee is collecting Clorox, Pine Sol and leashes for Paws and Claws

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

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.