



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, September 8th & Sunday, September 11th, 2022
Fourteenth 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, Edward's cell phone number: 402-302-2812.

Governing Council - Federated Church Elders			Federated Church Clergy and Staff	
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Jean Royer	Sharon Kuncel	Peg Meyer		

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2022 & SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

CHRISTIAN FORMATION CELEBRATION

COMMISSIONING OF CHANCEL CHOIR & EDUCATION HOUR STAFF & VOLUNTEERS

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

PRELUDE

Rêverie

CLAUDE DEBUSSY

James Sharpe, Piano & Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

PCUSA Office of Christian Formation

One: The heavens are telling the glory of God,

All: and wisdom cries out in the streets!

One: The Lord has given us teachers

All: to sustain the weary with a word.

One: Morning by morning, God awakens us

All: to listen for the word of the Lord.

One: Let us worship God.

VIDEO

“Unending Grace” by Playback Media

***OPENING HYMN #280**

Amazing Grace

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, your teaching is perfect, reviving the soul - yet we fail to receive the gift of grace you offer. Your testimony is sure, enlightening the mind - yet we fail to bear witness to your way of truth and life. Forgive us, God of grace. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight; through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: God’s promises are trustworthy and true; your sins are forgiven.

(water poured into baptismal font)

Be at peace to serve the Lord, and may you always be known by your love.

All: Alleluia, amen!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: Jesus said, “Peace I leave with you, a peace the world cannot give.” The peace of Christ be always with you

All: And also with you

One: Let us offer one another a sign of peace

***SING THE FAITH #2193**

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (sung twice)

Lord, listen to your children praying,

Lord, send our Spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to your children praying,

send us love, send us power, send us grace.

LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

COMMISSIONING OF EDUCATION HOUR STAFF & VOLUNTEERS

Nursery - Beatriz Garcia-Lopez; Preschool-2nd Grade - Heidi Klevemann & Kristi Wolfe;

3rd - 6th Grade - Nicole Miller & Julie Graham; Confirmation - Pastor Edward Yang & Brenda Sand;

High School - Lisa Perrin & Max Porter; SALT (Adult) - Katie Claus & Mark Weeder;

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

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Wayne McCormick, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel According to Luke 15 : 1 - 10

Pew Bible, NT, page 78

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: A STATEMENT OF FAITH FROM THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA**

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God: who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,

to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence,

to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus,

crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM

I Will Praise You, O Lord

PATTERSON

Bob Arp, Chancel Choir Director

911 A Prayer of Remembrance

VIDEO

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 OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Blessed Are Ye Faithful Souls

JOHANNES BRAHMS

***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**

God of all wisdom and truth, we offer you our lives, our gifts, all our talent, all our treasure. We entrust to your care those who teach and learn, and all who devote themselves to the work of formation - teachers and students, staff and administrators, parents and children. Make us faithful disciples and shape us for your service; through the Lord Jesus Christ, our teacher and our friend. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

Once a Sheep Was in a Pasture

BY CAROLYN WINFREY GILLETTE

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now

J. S. BACH

Café LaFed is hosted by Sharyn & Mike Beard, Marilyn & Ben Vrana, Toni Gumm

Once a Sheep Was in a Pasture

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2022

Hymn to Joy

Ludwig van Beethoven, adapt. Edward Hodges



1. Once a sheep was in a pas-ture with the oth - er nine - ty - nine.
2. Shep-herd, some-times we face trou-ble, far from oth-ers, far from you.
3. Like a shep-herd, Lord, you know us and the songs our spi-rits sing.
4. Shep-herd, by your love you find us, then you send us out in turn



Their good shep-herd loved those hun-dred, and he told them, "You are mine!"
There are dif-ferent ways we strug-gle, dif-ferent things that we can do.
You ac-cept us and you love us— and you know the gifts we bring.
to seek out all your be-lov-ed and to bring the wound-ed home.



As the hun-dred grazed to-gether, for some rea-son yet un-told,
There are times we're prone to wan-der; there are times we're pushed a-way.
With our sign-ing, with our voi-ces, with our hearts, may we ex-press:
As we lead and help each oth-er, as we ad-vo-cate and pray,



one found she was se-pa-ra-ted from the shep-herd, from the fold.
Shep-herd, by your love you find us— then in joy you ce-le-brate!
Shep-herd, by your love you find us— we are yours, and we are blessed!
may we shep-herd one a-noth-er on your faith-ful, lov-ing Way.



July Flooding Disaster Assistance:



Severe flooding has impacted Kentucky, Missouri and Virginia damaging homes, churches, roads and towns.

Aside from the unlivable homes, there were 76 deaths. A state of emergency has been declared in all three states!

To help these people, there are many ways you can help!

- Clean Up Buckets
- Hygiene Buckets
- Volunteer Opportunities (see www.ucc.org or pda.pcusa.org for details)
- Donate to Emergency Funds

Education opportunities for all ages:

Preschool - 2nd Grade, EC3; Volunteers: Heidi Klevemann & Kristi Wolfe

3rd - 6th Grade, EC7; Volunteers: Nicole Miller & Julie Graham

Confirmation Classes, upper rooms; Staff: Pastor Edward & Brenda Sand

High School Classes, EC8; Volunteers: Lisa Perrin & Max Porter

SALT (Adult Education), EC4; Volunteers: Katie Claus & Mark Weeder *Starts at 8:45am*

Lectionary Bible Study, EC8 and Zoom; Staff: Pastor Edward *Starts September 13th - Tuesdays 1pm in EC8 and Zoom, Wednesdays 4pm Zoom

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER 3RD-6TH GRADE

Each Sunday School class has 2+ teachers who rotate between teaching and helping.

Curriculum is video based, with a complete leader guide, requiring very little prep work by teachers. The schedule is flexible, and subs are available.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS – ALL AGES

Federated Church has a two adult policy when working with children. Subs are needed to be a second set of hands in the classroom when one of the regular teachers is unavailable.

YOUTH GROUP VOLUNTEERS

Adult leaders and helpers needed for youth ministry activities. Volunteers would help with youth group activities, field trips, etc.

NURSERY CARE HELPERS & SUBS

Nursery helpers (age 14+) are needed to help our paid nursery attendant on Sunday mornings.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Brenda Sand at brendajsand@gmail.com or 402.276.2080.

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

◆ Pray for the family of Ruth Elwood, 98, long time member of Federated. Ruth passed away on August 14, 2022 in Jackson, Wyoming.

◆ Pray for a speedy recovery for Bobbie Saalfeld who recently fell.

◆ Pray for Ruth Lind who is recovering from a broken neck after falling.

◆ Congratulations to Brian & Shelby Alther, along with big brother Holden, who welcome son/ brother Case Joseph, born August 17th.

Grandparents are Reuben & Denise Hughes.

Great Grandmother is Donna Engquist.

◆ Homestead Presbytery: Hickman

Please pray for Hickman Presbyterian Church as we continue to chart a course through these challenging times for all of us. We are working with some leadership transitions and trying to find a part-time children and youth director. We are also continuing to try to find new ways to serve the community and the world at large, including helping Afghan refugees in Lincoln, supporting a program for differently abled persons in Cameroon, and collecting school supplies for Zambia, among many others. Please pray that God would send us the people and resources we need to continue our work!

◆ **UCC Living Waters Association:** Plainview First Congregational UCC (Plainview, NE 68796)

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.

The **Chancel Choir** resumed 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.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, September 11th

8:45am SALT Adult Ed Hour, EC4-5

9:00am Education Hour Kickoff Event

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

11:00am Lunch and Ice-cream Social, FH

3:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, Sanctuary

Monday, September 12th

4:00pm CHS Diamond Dancers Practice, Gym

6:30pm Membership & Growth Committee, EC8

7:00pm Scouts Troop 212 Meeting, FH

Tuesday, September 13th

6:30pm Christian Ed Committee, EC8

7:00pm Social Concerns & Missions, EC7

7:00pm Personnel Committee Mtg., Office

Wednesday, September 14th

12:30pm All Staff Meeting, EC8

6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, September 15th

4:00pm CHS Diamond Dancers Practice, Gym

6:30pm Thursday Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, September 16th

6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

Saturday, September 17th

No events scheduled

Sunday, September 18th

8:45am SALT Adult Ed Hour, EC4-5

9:00am Education Hour, EC3, 7, 8

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

3:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, Sanctuary

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Sept. 18 - Commissioning of Acolytes & Youth Ushers
- Sept. 25 - Bibles for 3 Year Olds and 3rd Graders & Commissioning of Chancel Choir
- Oct. 2 - World Communion Sunday

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

July, August & September 2022