



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, January 19th & Sunday, January 22nd, 2023
Third 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.

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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			Betty Garcia Lopez, <i>Nursery Attendant</i>	Amanda Weeder, <i>Accompanist</i>
			Mark Baumann, <i>Custodian</i>	
			Bill Royer, <i>Head Usher</i> Andree & Terry Hoeman, <i>Co-Historians</i>	

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, & SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2023

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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

PRELUDE

Prelude in A Major (BWV 536)

J. S. BACH

Rêverie

CLAUDE DEBUSSY

James Sharpe, Piano & Organ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

* CALL TO WORSHIP

PC (USA) Office of General Assembly

One: We gather as those who stood on the shore, ...

All: Christ calls us by name.

One: engrossed in our responsibilities, our work, our obligations.

All: Christ calls us by name.

One: We hear, "Follow me!"

All: Christ calls us by name.

One: In all times and places, we are known and gathered as disciples, because...

All: Christ calls us by name.

* OPENING HYMN #391

Take My Life (verses 1,3 & 6)

* UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gathering God, we confess that it is easier to focus on the daily tasks in front of us, the mending and unknitting of nets, rather than answering the call to be your kingdom. We too often cling to what we know and choose to stay on familiar shores. We ignore your voice as you continually call out, inviting us into something new. Help us overcome our fears of what may be lost or left behind. Help us to join our gifts, our resources, and the whole of who we are in service to you as a community of your followers.

* MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

* DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

One: After calling the first disciples from the shore, Jesus went throughout Galilee proclaiming the good news of the kingdom:

All: that in him we are forgiven and freed to answer God's call! Thanks be to God!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE (You are welcome to share a handshake, fist bump or peace sign)

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.

* SONG #2056

God is So Good (verses 1 - 3)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

BELLS OF JOY

Ring Joyous with the Sound

ARR. WAGNER

Bell Choir; Stuart Gausman, Director

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Katie Claus, Liturgist

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

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SCRIPTURE READING

First Letter to the Corinthians 1 : 10 - 18

Pew Bible, NT, page 166

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Adapted from the Confession of 1967)**

We believe in a God whose sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of our minds.

We believe that this love manifests in the Holy Spirit, as it creates and renews communities of faith so that we may together seek peace.

We affirm that through the reconciling work of Jesus Christ, we are moved to new life.

This new life takes shape in a community in which all know that God loves and accepts them.

We give thanks that each member of the church is endowed by the Spirit with gifts for ministry and both is strengthened by and strengthens the church.

We believe that wherever the church exists, we are gathered for the sake of God's work in the world, work which is already present and stirring hope.

From an urgency born of this hope, we are charged to be a church that applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world.

We believe in God, source of unfathomable love; Jesus, the realization of true humanity; and the Holy Spirit, who moves through the ages and calls us to live as one. Amen.

RESPONSIVE HYMN (SEE INSERT FOR WORDS AND MUSIC) *Together We Are Joined (verses 1, 2, 4 & 6)

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

Perfect Peace

WAGNER

***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 who calls us as disciples, you have invited us into community. We give thanks for your vision of a world where all give generously to one another and serve the coming of your kingdom. We offer these gifts today, so that we can join with other churches to answer your call as fishers of people. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN #430**

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

*** BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

PAUL MANZ

Café LaFed will be hosted by the Worship & Music

NEEDED: Property and Finance is looking for a Chair person to organize the annual Kitchen Clean-up. Please contact Julie Graham 531-218-4375 or juliegraham@frontier.com for information. Thank you!

Prayer Chain Update!

If you are interested in adding your name to the prayer chain, please contact Peg Meyer, and inform her of your preferred method of communication: text or email.

Together We Are Joined

A celebration of per capita in the PC(USA)

DENNIS

1. To - geth - er we are joined, the church in one ac - cord. The
 2. When some are seek - ing calls, And some calls to ex - tend, The
 3. Ju - di - cial pro - cess serves to guide us when we stray. To
 4. Our sib - lings trav - 'ling far in fear of life and loss. We

gifts of man - y in - ter - twined in ser - vice to the Lord.
 pre - pa - ra - tion we re - quire serves pas - tor, church as friends.
 re - con - cile us with our friends And wel - come home to stay.
 wel - come them with o - pen arms. We love, not count - ing cost.

5. Our leaders we will choose
 With gifts and talents sure.
 We strive to represent through all
 The rainbow of our world.

6. In times of hope and joy
 In lessons learned through pain,
 Connections build a common bond
 And witness to God's reign.

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

◆ Prayers for the family of Donna Shreve. Donna passed away on Wednesday, January 18th. Funeral services at 10:30 am, Monday, January 23 at Federated Church. Luncheon to follow the service. Visitation is on Sunday from 3-5 pm. Interment is in the Kearney Cemetery.

◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Pawnee City**
 Please pray that our church has a successful pastoral search in the new year, so we may move forward and continue to share God's love, especially in our community.

◆ **UCC Living Waters Association: Hartington First Congregational UCC (Hartington, NE 68739)**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Jan. 28 - Youth Ski Trip to Mount Crescent
- Jan. 29 - Fifth Sunday Potluck, Fellowship Hall
- Febr. 12 - Souper Bowl of Caring Food Drive
- Febr. 12 - Walk to Jerusalem BEGINS

We would like to welcome **Mark Baumann**, as the new part-time Custodian at Federated Church!
WELCOME MARK!

2022 Contribution Statement will be available in the office during work hours (M-F, 8am - 4:30pm) and in the Narthex at all other times.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, January 22, 2023

- 8:45am SALT Adult Ed. Hour, EC 4-5
- 9:00am Education Hour, Education rooms
- 10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, January 23, 2023

- 4:00pm CHS Diamond Dancers Practice, Gym
- 6:00pm Special Olympics Basketball, Gym
- 7:00pm Scouts Troop 212 Meeting, FH

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

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

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

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

Thursday, January 26, 2023

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

Friday, January 27, 2023

- 5:00pm Blue & Gold Banquet, FH
- 6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

Saturday, January 28, 2023

No events scheduled

Sunday, January 29, 2023

- 8:45am SALT Adult Ed. Hour, EC 4-5
- 9:00am Education Hour, Education rooms
- 10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary