



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, April 20 & Sunday, April 23, 2023
Third 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 for videos of worship and bulletins.

In case of an emergency, Edward's cell phone number: 402-302-2812.

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Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, APRIL 20TH & SUNDAY, APRIL 23RD, 2023

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

PRELUDE

Adagio - Pathétique (Sonata 8, ops 13)

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

James Sharpe, Piano & Organ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Creation Justice Ministries

One: Let us worship God together. Let us sing to the Lord a new song;

All: A song for and with all the creatures of the earth.

One: Let us rejoice in what God has created. It is good!

All: Let us marvel at the creatures that are wonderful in God's sight.

One: Let us extol God's handiwork.

All: Lord, help to us wonder and to stand in awe at the richness of the world before us. Every creature gives you praise.

* OPENING HYMN # 455

All Creatures of Our God and King (verses 1 - 4)

* UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Compassionate God, we too often ignore the cries and suffering of your creatures. Our lives are bound up with other species and we ask your forgiveness for the ways we mistreat your creation. Give us clean hearts and caring hands, O God. Remind us that we too are creatures, interdependent and vulnerable. Amen.

* MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: God declares the creation good. We are among God's creatures, and humbled that God calls on us to till and keep the earth.

All: With hope and inspiration to answer that call, we place our trust in God to show us the way. Alleluia, amen!

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

One: As children of God, we are no longer strangers, but friends. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share Christ's peace with one another.

* SING THE FAITH #2108

O How He Loves You and Me

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pat Anderson

CHORAL ANTHEM

Glory to God, Hosanna in the Highest

WILLIAMS, MICHAEL BARRETT

Chancel Choir; Bob Arp, Director; Amanda Weeder, Accompanist

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Beth Sharpe, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel According to Luke 24 : 13 - 35

Pew Bible, NT, page 90

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

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

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*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: “The Risen Christ” by Nigel Weaver**

The risen Christ, who walks on wounded feet
from garden tomb through darkened city street,
**unlocks the door of grief, despair, and fear,
and speaks a word of peace to all who hear.**

The risen Christ, who stands with wounded side,
breathes out his Spirit on them to abide
**whose faith still wavers, who dare not believe;
new grace, new strength, new purpose they receive.**

The risen Christ, who breaks with wounded hand
the bread for those who fail to understand,
**reveals himself, despite their lingering tears,
enflames their hearts, then quickly disappears.**

May we, Christ's body, walk and serve and stand
with the oppressed in this and every land,
**till all are blessed and can a blessing be,
restored in Christ to true humanity. Amen.**

***RESPONSIVE HYMN # 505** *Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread*

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

Arioso in F Major

J. S. BACH

*** 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 yesterday, today and tomorrow, along with these offerings we bring our hope that you
continue to open our eyes to Jesus just as you did for the travelers on the road to Emmaus. Help
us to see all of creation – the world and all who live in it – through your eyes. Help us to see and
act, listen and pray, feel and respond to your larger vision of what can be. Help us to grow in
you... may our eyes be Easter eyes to recognize Jesus wherever we are, whoever we are,
whoever we are with. Amen.**

*** CLOSING HYMN #324** *Open My Eyes That I May See*

*** BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

JOHANN PACHELBEL

Café LaFed will be hosted by Linda Wheatley and others

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

- ◆ Pray for Chrissy Ford who had a hysterectomy on April 20th. She would like to thank everyone for the well wishes before the surgery. She plans to be back to work part-time on the 27th.
- ◆ Pray for Linda McPhail who has a recurrence of lesion of cancer in cerebellum and started treatment this week.

◆ Homestead Presbytery: Akron

Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Akron 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: Wisner United Methodist UCC (Wisner, NE 68791)

Walk to Jerusalem final miles: 5,804.30

RUNZA will donate 10% of all sales on April 25th to the **Backpack Food Program**. Everyone head out to RUNZA - have a great meal and support the Backpack Food Program. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday April 26, 2023, starting at 9 am to clean the church kitchen. We will appreciate helpers for any amount of time you can give. Anita

The Federated designated day for Habitat for Humanity is Saturday, July 15th. We have been asked to bring food---rolls or cookies for a morning break, and sandwiches, hot dogs, etc., chips and something sweet for lunch. We also will provide water.

The second all Women's work day for Habitat for Humanity is scheduled for Tuesday, May 23. Register by emailing info@hfhcolumbusne.org

SAVE THE DATE & YOUR STUFF!
Federated's Annual Garage Sale will be held on July 29th this year!
You can start bringing your stuff June 18th!

Pickle Ball nets are up in the gym and can be enjoyed by small groups . Monday - Friday, 8am - 4:30pm

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, April 23, 2023

- 8:45am SALT Adult Ed. Hour, EC 4-5
- 9:00am Education Hour, Education Center rooms
- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:15am Pipe Organ Task Force Meeting, EC8

Monday, April 24, 2023

- 1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study, EC8
- 5:00pm Special Olympics Basketball, Gym
- 7:00pm Scouts Troop 212 Meeting

Tuesday, April 25, 2023

- 10:00am PEO Annual Party, FH
- 5:30pm Consonaires Group, Choir Room
- 7:00pm Governing Council Meeting, EC8
- 7:00pm Cub Scouts #279 Den Meeting, FH

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

- 9:00am Kitchen Cleanup, FH, Kitchen
- 10:00am Staff Meeting, Church Office AD4
- 4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study, Zoom
- 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, April 27, 2023

- 6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, April 28, 2023

No events scheduled

Saturday, April 29, 2023

No events scheduled

Sunday, April 30 2023 - Children's Sunday

- 8:45am SALT Adult Ed. Hour, EC 4-5
- 9:00am Education Hour, Education Center rooms
- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:00am 5th Sunday Potluck, FH

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- April 26 - Kitchen Clean up day
- April 30 - Children's Sunday
- April 30 - 5th Sunday Potluck after Service

First Quarter CONTRIBUTION statements are available in the office. If you are unable to pick yours up, we will mail it to you at the end of the month.

If any place you work or volunteer has new brochures (not outdated) please collect some and bring them to church for the rack in the library. Thank you! Social Concerns and Missions Committee