



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, May 4 & Sunday, May 7, 2023
Fifth 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, MAY 4TH & SUNDAY, MAY 7TH, 2023

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

PRELUDE

Raindrop (Op 28, no 15)

FRÉDÉRIC CHOPIN

James Sharpe, Piano & Organ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 25 : 4 - 5

One: Show us your ways, O Lord.

All: Teach us your paths

One: Guide us in your truth,

All: And teach us.

One: For you are God, our Savior,

All: And our hope is in you all day long.

*** OPENING HYMN #457** *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art (verses 1, 3 - 5)*

*** UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

UCC Worship Ways

Holy God, we were not able to love you with all our hearts and love our neighbor as ourselves. We wanted to be forgiven, but we could not forgive others. Please give us the grace of forgiveness so that we can get back on our feet today. There are still conflicts in this world, and conflicts and battles can only lead us to hatred. Please give us your will and wisdom to overcome conflicts and live together. Lead us to a new step, free from hatred and conflict. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ.

*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

*** WORDS OF GRACE**

One: God hears our prayers. May our sins be cleansed, and we be remade as peacemakers.

All: May God be with those who are in pain, suffering, and hardship right now.

One: This is what the Lord says: "I have swept away your offense like a cloud, your sins like the morning mist.

All: Return to me, for I have redeemed you." 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.

*** SONG** *Let Us Build a House (verses 1 & 2; words and music on screen)*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

CHORAL ANTHEM

O Lord, Bread of Life

GABRIEL FAURÉ

Chancel Choir; Bob Arp, Director; Amanda Weeder, Accompanist; Dana Augspurger, Flute

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Nicole Miller, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel According to John 14 : 1 - 14

Pew Bible, NT, page 108 - 109

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 - APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the
Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into
hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the
right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the
dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness
of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

RESPONSIVE HYMN #439

In Christ There Is No East or West (verses 1 - 3)

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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.

COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

(Communion is served in the pews. Please hold bread and cup to partake together. Federated
Church celebrates an open table, meaning all who trust in Christ are welcome to receive
communion. Children are welcome to receive communion with the permission of parents/
guardians as part of the family's on-going conversations about faith. After partaking, please
place cups in the pew holders.)

COMMUNION SONGS:

*Jesus, Remember Me
Eat this Bread, Drink This Cup*

UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Living Christ, as you open the Scriptures to us you make yourself known in the breaking of the
bread. Let us now go forth from this place, fed at your table and filled by the Spirit, to walk with
you all the days of our lives, and proclaim the glory of your resurrection to all the world. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Jesus, Lead Thou On (Seelenbrütigam)

PAUL MANZ

*** 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**

Holy God, we have received so much blessing from you to walk through this past week. We are
grateful for the blessings you have given us, and we return some of them to you. Please use it
for your work. In Jesus Christ's name. Amen.

*** CLOSING HYMN #341**

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

*** BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
Café LaFed is hosted by the Men's Fellowship

PAUL MANZ

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

- ◆ Pray for Rod & Georgia Behlen, Rod will be having spine surgery on May 9th.
- ◆ Pray for Rachael Griffith, daughter-in-law of Annette Griffith, who is recovering from gall bladder surgery.
- ◆ Pray for Leroy Kallweit and family. Leroy has been placed on hospice.
- ◆ Congratulations to Reagan Gausman, daughter of Stuart & Kristen Gausman, who will be graduating May 6th from Midland University with a Bachelor of Arts Management degree with a theatre concentration and a minor in Communications.
- ◆ Congratulations to Coden Prokopec, son of Carrie & Aaron Prokopec, who will be graduating May 6th from Midland University with a Bachelor of Sciences in Nursing degree.
- ◆ We would like to thank our Federated family for all the prayers, cards, visits and calls made during the recent death of our precious grandson David. The outpouring of care and support from the Columbus community has been unbelievable and we cannot express our appreciation enough. Carol and Pete Bennett
- ◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Auburn**
Not much has changed since last year at our church so we are still praying for a new pastor. We would also lift up our Lost & Found Creative Ministry Team as they work on their special performances. We pray for continued growth of our congregation and are thankful for all the blessings this past year has brought us.
- ◆ **UCC Living Waters Association: Norfolk UCC, Norfolk, NE 68701)**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 13 - Men's Fellowship Breakfast

May 14 - Mother's Day Flower Sale
and Castner's 65th Anniversary Celebration

May 16 - Organ Task Force Visits

St. James Episcopal Church, Fremont 10:30am
& St. Michael's Catholic Church, Lincoln 2:30pm

May 21 - Graduation Sunday

May 29 - Office Closed in observance
for Memorial Day

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, May 7, 2023

- 8:45am SALT Adult Ed. Hour, EC 4-5
- 9:00am Education Hour, various rooms
- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:15am Youth Mission Trip Meeting, FH
- 3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, May 8, 2023

- 1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study, AD2
- 5:00pm Social Concerns & Missions Committee Meeting, EC7
- 6:30pm Membership & Growth Committee Meeting, EC8
- 6:30pm Troop 212 Eagle Board of Reviews, EC 4-5
- 7:00pm Scouts Troop 212 Meeting

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

- 10:00am Staff Meeting, Church Office
- 5:30pm Consonaires Group, Choir Room
- 7:00pm Cub Scouts #279 Den Meeting, FH

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

- 4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study, Zoom
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, May 11, 2023

- 6:00pm Petah La Shauro Roundtable Meeting, FH
- 6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, May 12, 2023

- 6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

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This year, Vacation Bible Camp will be hosted at Federated Church
June 12 - 16, 8:15am - 11:30am
Scan the QR code or contact Brenda Sand.

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!