



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, September 7, & Sunday, September 10, 2023
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost; Education Hour Kick Off

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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Order of St. Andrew - Federated Church Deacons			Lay Pastor Antonio Garcia, <i>El Buen Pastor Fellowship</i>	Bill Royer, <i>Head Usher</i>
Ruth Erwin	Sharon Kuncel	Kathy Leischner	Andree & Terry Hoeman, <i>Co-Historian</i>	
Laura Porter	Peg Meyer	Barb Olson		
Jean Royer		Lori Rine		

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, & SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; EDUCATION HOUR KICK OFF

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

PRELUDE

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring
James Sharpe, Organ & Piano

J. S. BACH

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Linda Wheatley

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

PC(USA) Office of Christian Formation

One: Teach us, oh Lord, your ways of grace and mercy,

All: And we will observe them to the end!

One: Remind us, God of our minds, that even if only two or three gather,

All: You reside among us with your whole self.

One: Guide us into the love of all people and things,

All: For love is the fulfillment of your covenant. Let us worship the rabbi, teacher, Christ.

*** OPENING HYMN**

Freely, Freely (see insert for words and music)
(We will be starting with the chorus)

*** PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE**

UCC Worship Ways

Holy One, we confess that accountability can be discomfoting, and we avoid discomfort. We seek the good enough, convenient, and easy over the good, possible, and hard. Hold us accountable to the gospel. Hold us accountable to our claim and commitment to follow you. Hold us accountable to your will. Help us to receive your grace and liberate us from shame in order to embrace accountability as a loving act of community.

*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

*** WORD OF GRACE**

One: Beloved, accountability from God is rooted in love, hope, and mercy. Know that your past actions and attitudes do not define your present nor limit your future.

All: Through God's grace, we can grow, learn, and thrive. Thanks be to God, amen!

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

One: Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you, a peace the world cannot give."

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)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

COMMISSIONING OF EDUCATION HOUR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Nursery - Beatriz Garcia-Lopez; Preschool - 6th Grade - Megan McHugh, Nicole Miller & Ashli

Porter; Confirmation - Pastor Edward Yang & Brenda Sand; High School - Lisa Perrin & Max

Porter; SALT (Adult) - Katie Claus & Mark Weeder; Puppet Ministry Leaders - Julie Graham & Katie

Claus; Children's Bell Choir - Stuart Gausman

SPECIAL MUSIC

Quem Pastores
(Möller Organ)

HEALEY WILLAN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Katie Claus, Liturgist

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

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SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel According to Matthew 18 : 15 - 20

Pew Bible, NT, pages 20

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in the holy manifestation of God as a human in Jesus Christ, whom his friends called Rabbi, Teacher.

We believe in the power of his words to set the world aright.

We believe in his fulfillment of the law and in the calling upon us to love; deeply, unashamedly, unreservedly.

We rejoice in the callings of those who follow in his footsteps:

Teachers, helpers, encouragers, supporters.

The ones for whom there is no higher calling than to bring up the faithful in the ways of Christ.

The ones who follow us from birth to death with the love of Jesus stamped upon their hearts.

We give thanks to the God of all of us who calls, equips, and guides them so that they may guide us.

We believe the gathered body is one in Christ Jesus. No matter how many or how few, when two or three gather in Jesus' name, he is there.

His presence, his body, his words guide us into all faithfulness.

We believe, holy One. Help our unbelief. Amen.

* RESPONSIVE HYMN # 435

We All Are One in Mission

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

(An offering plate and contribution box are available in the back of the church before and after each service, if you would like to make a donation. Thank you.)

Let us give generously to the ministry of this church from an abundance of love of God, neighbor, and self.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Quem Pastores

HEALEY WILLAN

(Rodgers Organ)

* 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 & THANKSGIVING

Gracious God, thank you for the gifts you give and allowing us to be gift givers as well. May our generous offerings bear fruit to nurture our community, our neighbors, and all creation. Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN #339

Be Thou My Vision

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Old One Hundredth

JOHANN PACHELBEL

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

- ◆ Pray for the family of Ina Gay, mother of Tammy & Tom Hempstead. Ina passed away on Saturday, August 26 in Lincoln. A private Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.
- ◆ Pray for Terry Norris who had knee replacement surgery a month ago and had to undergo another procedure recently.
- ◆ Pray for Jan Pickrel who will be having a minor medical procedure.
- ◆ Congratulations to Jake Gotschall (son of Jeff & Tammi Gotschall) & Samantha Challburg. They were married on August 26, 2023 in Sisters, Oregon. The couple lives in Bend, Oregon.
- ◆ **Homestead Presbytery:** *Lincoln Fourth* Continued prayers for all at Fourth as we continue to discern and embrace Gods will for our congregation as we acknowledge 116 years of ministry in the University Place Neighborhood. We dedicated a new 12ft cross in our grounds on World Communion Sunday to celebrate this milestone. We are continuing to enhance our Worship and Evangelism efforts through outreach and partnership. We are excited to partner again with A Partnership for a Healthy Lincoln through their Streets Alive efforts in bringing over a thousand people to the UPCO area at the end of September for the second consecutive year. We are also humbled to have served almost 1000 through community use of our building this summer. We are thankful for Presbytery prayers as we discern how God calls us to be good stewards of our resources and are excited for the year ahead!
- ◆ **UCC Living Waters Association:** *Plainview First Congregational UCC (Plainview, 68796)*

Volunteers are still needed for the following:

- ◆ Rescue Mission Meals (November)
- ◆ Liturgists (all Sundays!!!)

The Federated Church Landscaping Committee has started the **Commemorative Tree Program, Rooted in Love**. The minimum donation to purchase a tree and plaque to be planted in memory or honor of a loved one is \$350.00. Any moneys less the tree/plaque will be used for the Landscaping Project for bushes, maintenance, etc. Pick up your form today in the Narthex or Office.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, September 10, 2023

- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, September 11, 2023

- 1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study, AD2
- 5:00pm Social Concerns & Missions Meeting
- 5:15pm Order of St. Andrew Meeting
- 6:30pm Membership & Growth Meeting
- 7:00pm Troop 212 Meeting, FH

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

- 5:30pm Consonnaires, Choir Room
- 7:00pm Personnel Meeting, Church office/lobby
- 7:00pm Cub Scouts #279 Den Meeting, FH

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

- 10:00am Staff meeting, AD2
- 4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study, Online
- 6:30pm Bells of Joy Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, September 14, 2023

- 6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, September 15, 2023

- 6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service

Saturday, September 16, 2023

No Events Scheduled

Sunday, September 17, 2023

- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- September 9 - Men's Fellowship Breakfast, 8:30am
- September 10 - Ed Hour Kick-off with Hot Dog Lunch & Ice Cream Social
- September 17 - Horn T Zoo during Ed Hour; Commissioning of Acolytes & Youth Ushers; Commissioning of Bell & Vocal Choirs
- September 24 - Bibles for 3 Year Olds & 3rd Graders

Please help us welcome our new Vocal Choir Director, Reagan Gausman!
We are very excited to work with her!

For the months of July, August and September we will be collecting Leashes, Pine Sol and Bleach for Paws and Claws. Thank you,
Social Concerns and Missions Committee

Vice President (1 position, unfilled)

Governing Council (3 positions, 2 unfilled), meets the fourth Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m.

Order of St. Andrew (3 positions, 2 unfilled), meets the first Monday of each month, 5:15 p.m.

Christian Education (2 positions, 1 unfilled), meets the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m.

Endowment Committee (1 position, filled), meets as needed

Finance & Property Committee (2 positions unfilled), meets the third Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m.

Personnel Committee (1 position, filled), meets second Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m.

Nominating Committee (5 positions, 3 unfilled), meets as needed in August/September

Membership & Growth Committee (2 positions, unfilled), meets the second Monday of month, 6:30 p.m.

Social Concerns (3 positions, all filled), meets the second Monday of each month, 5:00 p.m.

Stewardship Committee (1 position, filled), meets as needed in August through October

Worship & Music Committee (2 positions, 1 unfilled), meets first Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m.

Youth Ministry (2 positions, 1 unfilled), meets the second Sunday of each month, 11:15 a.m.

627 - Freely, Freely

CAROL OWENS
based on Matthew 10:8, 28:18

CAROL OWENS

INTRO

VERSE

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1. God for - gave my sin in
2. All pow'r is giv'n in

7 Je - sus' name; I've been born a - gain in Je - sus' name; And in Je - sus'
Je - sus' name; In earth and heav'n in Je - sus' name; And in Je - sus'

14 name I come to you To share His love as He told me to.
name I come to you To share His pow'r as He told me to.

CHORUS

21 He said, "Free - ly, free - ly you have re - ceived; Free - ly, free - ly
give. Go in My name and be - cause you be - lieve,

34 Oth - ers will know that I live." 1. God for - live."
2. All

40 1. God for - live."
2. All