



FEDERATED CHURCH

*Thursday, January 25 & Sunday, January 28, 2024
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany (Year B)*

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	
Alison Wagner, <i>President</i> Georgia Behlen, <i>Vice President</i> Barb Sanderson, <i>Secretary</i>			Rev. Edward Yang, Ph.D. <i>Pastor/Head of Staff</i> edward@federatedcolumbus.org	Lay Pastor Antonio Garcia <i>El Buen Pastor Fellowship</i>
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Order of St. Andrew - Federated Church Deacons			Beatriz Garcia Lopez <i>Nursery Attendant</i>	Amanda Weeder <i>Accompanist</i>
Peg Meyer	Kathy Leischner	Tammi Gotschall		
Sharon Kuncil	Barb Olson	Steve McClure		
Laura Porter	Lori Rine	Jesse Abrego		
Andree & Terry Hoeman, <i>Co-Historians</i>				
Bill Royer, <i>Head Usher</i>				

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25 & SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY (YEAR B);

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

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

PRELUDE

Jesus, Lead Thou On (Seelenbräutigam)

PAUL MANZ

Arabesque

ROBERT SCHUMANN

James Sharpe, Piano & Organ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Book of Common Worship

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

All: There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling.

One: Let us worship God.

*** OPENING HYMN #276**

Great is Thy Faithfulness

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: Even when we were dead through our sin, our merciful and loving God made us alive together with Christ and raised us up through him. In humility and faith, let us confess our sin to God.

All: Merciful and loving God, you have called us to be your people and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ. We confess that we have not lived up to our calling to proclaim the good news in word and deed. We are quick to speak when we ought to listen and remain silent when it is time to speak. We put too much faith in our own actions and fail to trust the strength of your Spirit. O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways. Strengthen us anew to follow Christ's way in the world. By your Holy Spirit, give us the grace we need to be faithful disciples and fulfill our common calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

*** DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

One: By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God.

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: Lead a life worthy of your calling - with humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another in love, and making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: You are invited to greet one another with a sign of peace.

*** SING THE FAITH # 2056**

God is So Good (verses 1 - 3)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Jan Pickrel

CHORAL ANTHEM

Be Thou My Vision

ARR. JAY ALTHOUSE

Chancel Choir; Reagan Gausman, Director; Amanda Weeder, Accompanist

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Katie Claus, Liturgist

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

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SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 111

Pew Bible, OT, page 562

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

All: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

* PROFESSION OF FAITH (APOSTLES' CREED)

Do you believe in God the Father?

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

STATEMENT ON ORDINATION & INSTALLATION

Alison Wagner, Church President

QUESTIONS TO THE CHURCH OFFICERS:

Order of St. Andrew, New Deacon:

Tammi Gotschall (Class of 2026)

Steve McClure (Class of 2026)

Returning Deacon:

Jesse Abrego (Class of 2026)

Governing Council, New Elder:

Max Porter (Class of 2026)

Returning Elders:

Chris Dixon (Class of 2026)

Nila Novotny (Class of 2026)

Georgia Behlen (Vice-President)

QUESTIONS TO THE CONGREGATION

LAYING ON OF HANDS

PASTORAL PRAYER

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION & INSTALLATION

WELCOME

* RESPONSIVE HYMN #525

Here I Am, Lord

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who are in heaven, hallowed by thy name. Thy kingdom come, they 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

* 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***

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

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*** UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Generous God, we offer these gifts in gratitude for all we have received. Use them to strengthen the ministry of your church to meet the needs of your children. May these offerings bear witness to your love made known to us in Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*** CLOSING HYMN #434**

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples (verses 1, 2 & 4)

*** BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Psalm XIX

BENEDETTO MARCELLO

Café LaFed is hosted by the Worship & Music Committee

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

- ◆ Pray for the family of Paul Mohr, Jr., brother of Michael Mohr. Paul passed away on January 17th. Michael's 6.5 year old terrier, Annie, also passed away last week.
- ◆ Pray for Rosie Heinisch, she is starting chemotherapy for her leukemia.
- ◆ Pray for Mark Bauman's father who is recovering in Omaha hospital. Mark is the custodian here at Federated.
- ◆ Congratulations to Mitchell & Breanna Griffith, who welcomed daughter, Makenna Lea, born January 13, 2024. Grandparents are Annette & Bob Griffith.
- ◆ Pray for Rod Behlen as he begins radiation and chemotherapy treatments for cancer.
- ◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Wahoo First**
We ask for prayers for our congregation as we move forward with a new pastor and say goodbye to Rev. Jon Noble who has served the Wahoo church for the past 5 years.
- ◆ **UCC Living Waters Association: Newcastle Congregational UCC** (Newcastle, NE 68757)

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, January 28, 2024

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary
11:00am Book Sale Begins
3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, January 29, 2024

4:00pm Special Olympics Basketball Practice, Gym
4:00pm CHS Diamond Dancers, Gym

Tuesday, January 30, 2024

No events scheduled

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

6:30pm Bells of Joy Rehearsal, Sanctuary
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, February 1, 2024

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

Friday, February 2, 2024

6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

Saturday, February 3, 2024

No events scheduled

Sunday, February 4, 2024

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

Please pick up your **Contribution Statements** after church service or in the office during the week.

RESCUE MISSION MEALS for 2024 The Rescue Mission would like to have meat, potatoes or bread, and a vegetable. Dessert is fine, but not necessary. The Rescue Mission is now located at the former Mory's Haven, 1112 15th St.

Meals are served at 5:30 for women and 6:00 for men. Plan for 20-25 people, and since this is a large number, it is best if two or three folks go together. Some meal suggestions are: pizza, tacos, lasagna, pulled pork or other sandwiches, chicken or beef casseroles, sloppy joes, soup, etc. If you would like to provide dessert, ice cream is always good as well as brownies, cookies, cake, etc.. Thanks for being part of this important ministry. Social Concerns and Mission Committee

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Jan. 28 - Book Sale begins, Narthex
Febr. 10 - Mt. Crescent Ski Trip
Febr. 11 - Souper Bowl of Caring
Febr. 14 - Ash Wednesday, Methodist Church 7 pm

Birthday cards for the month of February will be in the library for people to sign and send out to church members. Stop in the library and send your well wishes to those celebrating birthdays in February. Thank you. Membership & Growth Committee.