



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, April 11, & Sunday, April 14, 2024
Third Sunday of Easter (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	
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Bill Royer, Head Usher				

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, & SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR B)

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

PRELUDE

Holy Spirit Medley
His Eye Is On the Sparrow
Amanda Weeder, Piano

MARILYNN HAM
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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

UCC Worship Ways

One: Let us fill our hearts and minds with hope as we hear the Words of Jesus Christ.

All: "Peace be with you."

One: When peace and justice seem uncertain, let us hear anew the Words of Jesus Christ.

All: "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds?"

One: Let us be comforted by the presence of Christ, whose love, and light dwells within us.

All: Let our lives be witnesses of these things.

One: Help us to be instruments of Christ's peace to all in need of God's healing love.

*** OPENING HYMN #306**

Fairest Lord Jesus

*** UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Loving God, in your infinite wisdom, we are glad that you make all things new. Where there is hate, show your love. Where there is war, bring your peace. Where there is despair, bring your hope. Where there is fear, bring your understanding. Where there is scarcity, bring your abundance. Where there is systemic oppression, bring equal justice for all. By your perfect grace and mercy, make us new. May it be so.

*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

*** WORDS OF GRACE**

One: Loving God, thank you for the assurance of your grace. You grant us all your peace.

All: Help us to trust in your peace, especially in times of conflict. Believing you will bring peace in our hearts, and to all the earth. Guiding us, so that all may come to know Jesus Christ, who is our Prince of Peace. Amen.

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

The peace of Christ be 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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

CHORAL ANTHEM

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

DORIS AKERS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Kristen Gausman, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel According to Luke 24 : 36 - 48

Pew Bible, NT, page 91

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

All: Thanks be to God!

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

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*** RESPONSIVE HYMN #108**

Christ is Alive!

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Alison Wagner, Church President

* Presentation of Baptisand: Makenna Lea Griffith, child of Mitchell & Breanna Griffith

* **Profession of Faith: Apostles' Creed**

Questions to Parents, Godparents and Congregation of the Church

Thanksgiving over the Water

Baptism

* **Welcome**

* **Sing the Faith #2051** ***I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry***

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

*** 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**

Let us remember that weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes early in the morning. May these gifts of blessing be a sign of the love, light, and glory of our redeeming God who has created a world of abundance with all that we need. May we remain thankful witnesses to your generosity, O God, as we dedicate these offerings to you and your beloved creation. Amen.

*** CLOSING HYMN #115**

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

*** BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

All Things Bright and Beautiful

ARR. BRENDLINGER

Café LaFed is hosted by Social Concerns & Missions Committee

Federated Church has been asked to provide snacks and lunch and water for **Habitat for Humanity** on June 8th. Suggestions for morning snack: Rolls, doughnuts or cookies; lunch: sandwiches, hot dogs, pizza, sloppy joes, etc.; chips and bars or cookies. Drinks: bottled water. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex.

Our April Newsletter is now available on our website and Facebook. Copies available in the Narthex as well.

THESE DAYS - Daily Devotions for Living by Faith
(April, May, June 2024) books
are available in the Narthex and the office.

Social Concerns and Missions Committee is collecting paper towels and toilet paper for the Center for Survivors April, May, June 2024. Please place your donations in the North entrance lobby. Thank you.

We are still collecting pill bottles ---please take off labels (Goo Gone or Dawn Dishwashing soap work well.) Containers should be rinsed out, also. Put in the tote in the coat rack area. Thank you for your donations to this worthy project.

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

◆ Pray for the family of Barbara Hicks, wife of the late Rev. Lee Hicks. Barbara passed away on March 3, 2024. Her service of remembrance will be on April 19th at 11 am at the First Presbyterian Church in Boise, Idaho. Live stream on YouTube.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qy62CIT_Jpk

◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Clarkson New Zion**
Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Clarkson 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: West Point Trinity UMC/ UCC** (West Point, NE 68788)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 21 - Youth Pizza Fundraiser

May 5 - Confirmation Sunday

May 12 - Mother's Day, Youth Flower Sale Fundraiser

May 19 - Graduation Sunday

Education Center Update and Request

Good news, the ceilings, painting, and lighting have been completed. The work installing the remainder of the doors and windows is almost finished. We are looking forward to the installation of all bathroom flooring and the upgrading of all bathroom fixtures which should begin at any time. So now it is time to get moving on the cleaning of all cabinetries, shining all the windows, and removing all the dust.

As most of you know, I broke my wrist 4 weeks ago and it is true that the older we get the slower we heal. I'm going to need help getting those rooms ready to move back in and so I am asking for eight volunteers to chair the cleanup of each room. One chair for each room. Once I have those people identified we will meet to put a plan together. Chairs and their workers are welcome to work mornings, afternoons, or evenings. Please contact me at 402-910-4233 or email wilmalu@neb.rr.com if you would be willing to help. Once the chairs are in place, there will be another announcement asking for volunteers to assist in the actual clean-up. The projected start update is April 22.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, April 14, 2024

8:45am SALT (Adult Education), FH
9:00am Education Hour, various rooms
10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary
11:00am Youth Ministry Committee
3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, April 15, 2024

7:00pm Circle 4 Meeting, Library
7:00pm Scout Meeting Troop 212, FH

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

5:30pm Consonaires, Choir room
6:30pm Finance & Property Committee

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

9:30am Circle 1 Meeting, FH
10:00am Staff meeting, office
1:00pm Circle 2 Meeting, FH
6:30pm Bells of Joy Rehearsal, Sanctuary
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, April 18, 2024

6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, April 19, 2024

11:00am Barb Hicks live-stream video, Sanctuary
6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

Saturday, April 20, 2024

9:00am Youth Pizza Fundraiser Preparations

Sunday, April 21, 2024

8:45am SALT (Adult Education), FH
9:00am Education Hour, various rooms
10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary
11:00am Youth Pizza Sale Fundraiser
11:15am Parent Meeting for Youth Mission Trip
3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary

Rescue Mission Meals

Federated Church delivers meals to the Rescue Mission the second Friday of each month. The new Rescue Mission is located in the old Mory's Haven, on 15th Street and 12th Avenue. There are no steps there. Meals should consist of a main dish, a salad or vegetable and bread or rolls. Dessert is not necessary but always appreciated. Suggestions include tacos, soup, sloppy joes, casseroles, spaghetti, lasagna, pizza, burritos, enchiladas, or whatever you'd like to take. Because you need to plan for 25 people, it is a good idea to pair up with someone. The meal should be there by 5:00 p.m. There are several openings for this year. Please be a part of this important ministry and sign up in the Narthex!

Social Concerns and Missions Committee