



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, May 2, & Sunday, May 5, 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year B); Confirmation Sunday

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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Andree & Terry Hoeman, <i>Co-Historians</i>				
Bill Royer, <i>Head Usher</i>			Beatriz Garcia Lopez <i>Nursery Attendant</i>	Amanda Weeder <i>Accompanist</i>

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, MAY 2, & SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR B); CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

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

PRELUDE

Adagio in E-Flat Major (K 570)

W. A. MOZART

James Sharpe, Piano & Organ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

UCC WORSHIP WAYS & PRESBYTERIAN MISSION AGENCY

One: As we gather, may we open our hearts to receive newness of life.

All: We come with hope for renewal.

One: In our time of worship, may we be inspired by God's wisdom.

All: We come seeking to learn and to draw closer to God.

One: Come, let us worship, as the beloved children of God.

*** OPENING HYMN #455**

All Creatures of Our God and King (verses 1, 3, 6)

*** UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O God, giver of life, we confess the times when we fail to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. God, forgive us when we ignore or we fail to see our neighbors in need. Abiding God, also forgive us when we reject love from others, and shut down completely. As we confess the times when we did not tend to our own needs, and denied ourselves of your forgiveness and grace. In our failures, we have refused your invitation to grow closer to you.

*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

*** ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: "God accepted us simply because of our faith in Christ,"

All: through whom our sins are forgiven.

One: May he help us to continue

All: to "preach peace to those who are near and far." Amen.

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: With forgiveness, we have peace with God and one another. May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Please share a sign of peace with one another.

*** SING THE FAITH #2108**

O How He Loves You and Me (verse 1)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Julie Graham

H.I.S PUPPETEERS

Shower of Blessings

MARK BRADFORD

H.I.S. Puppeteers, Julie Graham & Katie Claus, Directors;

Puppeteers: Brinlee Klevemann, Tessa Miller, Ellie Porter, Meg Weeder

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

First Year Confirmands, Liturgists

Brinlee Klevemann, Elyena Perrin, Alyse Wolfe, Hunter Yang

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts of the Apostles 10 : 34 - 48

Pew Bible, NT, pages 129 - 130

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**

One: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

All: 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.

One: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All: 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.

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

Alison Wagner, Church President

Presentation of Confirmands & Mentors

Tessa Miller, daughter of Matt & Nicole Miller (Julie Graham, Mentor)

Celine Perrin, daughter of Kevin & Lisa Perrin (Kristi Wolfe, Mentor)

Meg Weeder, daughter of Mark & Amanda Weeder (Sue McClure, Mentor)

Questions to Confirmands & Congregation

Called, Confirmed & Commissioned Liturgy

Sharing by Confirmands

Laying on of Hands for Confirmation and Prayer of Gratitude

Welcome by the Congregation

*** RESPONSIVE HYMN GTG#769**

*For Everyone Born (verses 1 - 3, 5)
(see bulletin insert for words and music)*

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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 ongoing conversations about faith. After partaking, please place cups in the pew holder.)

COMMUNION SONGS

*God of All Goodness
Come and Fill Our Hearts*

(Words are on the screens; sing as a prayer, aloud or silently)

UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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

Generous God, we offer you the fruits of our time, talents and resources in celebration of all that we have been given. Loving God, we give you thanks for all that we have and ask a special blessing on the fruits we have given back to help meet the needs of your beloved community. May the gifts nourish and strengthen the community to grow spiritually, emotionally, and physically. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN #466

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Psalm XIX

BENEDETTO MARCELLO

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

◆ Pray for the family of Ed Yonker, 92, father of Marcia & Steve Dewald, passed away on April 26, 2024 in Windom, Minnesota. Jan Yonker, 90, Ed's wife passed away on October 6, 2023 also in Windom, Minnesota.

◆ Pray for the family of Gary Puckett. Gary passed away on Saturday, April 20th. Funeral was at Federated Church on April 27th.

◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Dunbar**

Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Dunbar 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: Norfolk UCC**
(Norfolk, NE 68701)

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, May 5, 2024

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

Monday, May 6, 2024

1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study, AD Conf. room
4:30pm Order of St. Andrew Meeting
6:30pm Membership & Growth Committee
7:00pm Scout Meeting Troop 212, FH

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

1:30pm Cries of the Spirit, Library room
5:30pm Consonaires, Choir room
6:30pm Christian Education Committee
7:15pm Worship & Music Committee

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

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

Thursday, May 9, 2024

6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, May 10, 2024

6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

Saturday, May 11, 2024

8:30am Men's Fellowship Breakfast, FH

Sunday, May 12, 2024

8:45am SALT (Adult Education), FH
9:00am Education Hour, various rooms
10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 12 - Mother's Day, Youth Flower Fundraiser
May 13 - You can drop off items for the June Garage Sale (No TVs, computers or used car seats)
May 19 - Pentecost; Graduation Sunday
May 26 - Trinity Sunday, No Education Hour until fall
May 27 - Memorial Day, office closed
June 3-7 - Vacation Bible Camp, FUMC
June 29 - Annual Garage/Bake Sale

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

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.

Inclement Weather Announcement

In the event of dangerous weather during a church service or event, you will be instructed where to go for shelter at that time.

Membership & Growth Small Groups: Do you enjoy concerts, plays, or any upcoming arts and events in Columbus? However do you stay home because you do not want to attend alone and would rather go with others? Here is your chance to go with others. The Membership and Growth Committee is getting a group of people together to attend these events. If you are interested, please contact Ruth Lind and leave your name, phone number and email address. I will add your name or names to the list and will contact you when the next event comes up. If there is something you would like to see or attend, please give us your ideas. Please contact the church office if you need Ruth's contact information.

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

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

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For Everyone Born



1 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,
2 For wom - an and man, a place at the ta - ble,
3 For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,
4 For just and un - just, a place at the ta - ble,
5 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,



for ev - ery - one born, clean wa - ter and bread,
re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
a - bus - er, a - bused, with need to for - give,
to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,

F#m7 E/G# A2 Bsus

a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,
 with wis - dom and grace, di - vid - ing the pow - er,
 the hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled,
 in an - ger, in hurt, a mind - set of mer - cy,
 to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,

E Bsus E Bsus

for ev - ery - one born, a star o - ver - head,
 for wom - an and man, a sys - tem that's fair,
 for young and for old, the right to be - long,
 for just and un - just, a new way to live,
 for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free,

Refrain

B *All* E E/G# A2 Bsus B

and God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and

E E/G# A2 Bsus B

joy, com - pas - sion and peace: yes,

C#m C#m/B A2

God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice,

Bsus B E (.) *Fine* A2 E Bsus B

jus - tice and joy!