



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, August 29, & Sunday, September 1, 2024

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Year B); Service of Wholeness & Healing

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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| Bill Royer, Head Usher | | | | |

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, & SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (YEAR B); SERVICE OF WHOLENESS & HEALING

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

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| PRELUDE | <i>Like a River Glorious</i> | ARR. RICE |
| | <i>Be Still My Soul</i> | ARR. RICE |
| | <i>Great is Thy Faithfulness</i> | ARR. RICE |
| | Amanda Weeder, Piano | |

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Book of Common Worship (PCUSA)

One: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

All: maker of heaven and earth.

One: Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,

All: they shall mount up with wings like eagles,

One: they shall run and not be weary,

All: they shall walk and not faint.

*** OPENING HYMN # 263**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (verses 1, 3, & 4)

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: Jesus said: Ask and it will be given you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.

All: For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.

One: Friends in Christ, God knows our needs before we ask, and in our asking prepares us to receive the gift of grace. Let us open our lives to God's healing presence, seeking peace with God and reconciliation with our neighbors. Let us confess to God whatever has wounded us or brought injury to others, that we may receive mercy and become for each other ministers of God's grace. Let us confess our sin together.

All: Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.

*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

*** ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

All: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

One: Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God.

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: May we be people of wholeness and peace. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Please share God's peace with one another.

*** SING THE FAITH #2025 (SUN.)**

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CHILDREN'S SERMON

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

SPECIAL MUSIC

10,000 Reasons (Playback Media)

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

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SCRIPTURE READING

James 1 : 17 - 27

Pew Bible, NT, page 229

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - THE 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.

*** RESPONSIVE HYMN**

Be Doers of the Word of God (see insert for words and music)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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.)

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.

SERVICE OF WHOLENESS & HEALING

Book of Worship (UCC)

Invitation to Anointing

Thanksgiving over Oil

Act of Anointing

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

(Offering of financial contribution can be placed in basket/box by entrance or made via online)

*** 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**

Eternal God, our beginning and our end, be our starting point and our haven, and accompany us on each day's journey. Use our hands to do the work of your creation and use our lives to bring others to the new life you give to this world; in Jesus Christ, redeemer of all. Amen

*** CLOSING HYMN #394**

There Is a Balm in Gilead (verses 1 & 2)

*** BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

There is a Balm in Gilead

ARR. THOMPSON

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

◆ We rejoice with the Hahn family with the wedding of Connor Hahn and Bethany Magg on August 24, 2024. Connor is son of Gene & Cola Hahn and grandson of John & Anita Hahn.

◆ Please pray for the family of Milo Kocourek, brother-in-law to John & Katie Claus. Milo passed away on August 27, 2024.

◆ Please pray for the family of Dean Gaeth, father of Sid Gaeth. Dean passed away on August 27, 2024.

◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Nebraska City**

The congregation of First Presbyterian Church in Nebraska City continues to be active. Our attendance this past summer actually held steady and did not drop as it often does in the summertime. Praise God for that! We are proud of our contributions to the local food pantry and our support of the work of the ministerial association. We ask for prayers for continued vitality and for the new year of our Sunday School. We also ask for prayers for our music program and choirs. Thank you!

◆ **UCC Living Waters Association: Pierce UCC**
(Pierce, NE 68767)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

September 8 - Hymn Sing Service;
Education Hour Kickoff (Potluck & Ice cream Social);
Commissioning of Teachers & Students;
Education Center Remodel Open House
September 14 - Men's Fellowship Breakfast
September 15 - Commissioning of Acolytes, Youth
Ushers & Chancel Choir;
Sunday Funday (after service)
September 22 - 3-year-olds & 3rd Graders Bibles;
Commissioning of Bell Choir
September 26, 27, 28 - Photos for Church Directory

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, September 1, 2024

10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary

3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, September 2, 2024

Labor Day (Church Office Closed)

7:00pm Scout Meeting Troop 212, FH

Tuesday, September 3, 2024

5:30pm Nominating Committee, Library

6:30pm Christian Education Committee, EC8

7:15pm Worship & Music Committee, EC4

Wednesday, September 4, 2024

10:00am Staff Meeting, AD4

4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study, online

6:30pm H.I.S. Puppeteers, EC1

6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, September 5, 2024

12:30pm The Basket Cases Craft Group

6:30pm Worship Service

Friday, September 6, 2024

6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

Saturday, September 7, 2024

No events scheduled

Sunday, September 8, 2024

8:45am SALT- Adult Sunday Class, EC8

9:00am Education Hour Kick-off

10:00am Worship Service

11:00am Potluck

3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary

Stewardship Bible Verse: Give and it will be given to you: A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap. *Luke 6 : 38 (NIV)*

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

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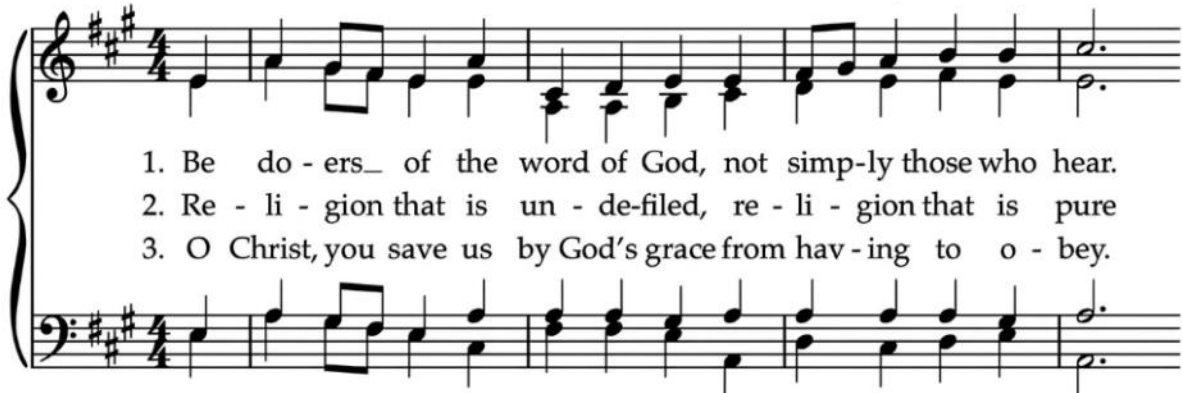
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Be Doers of the Word of God

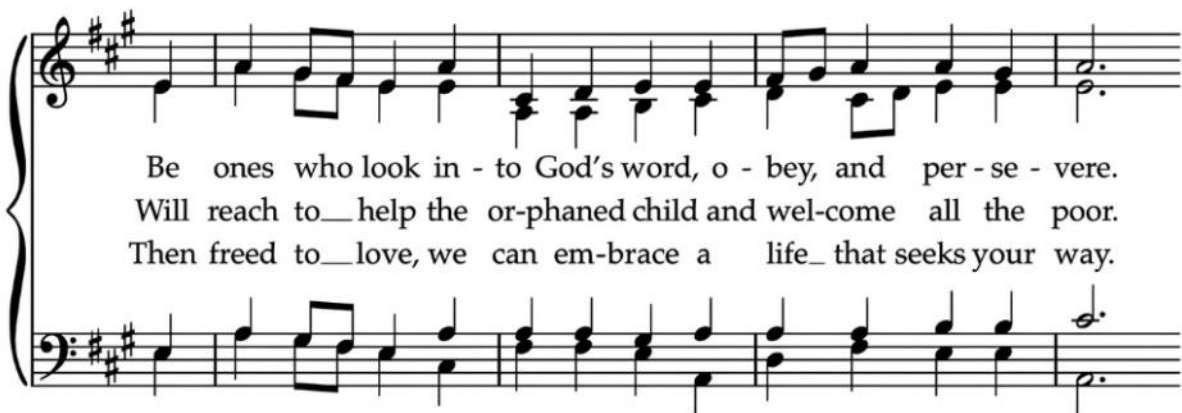
Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2003

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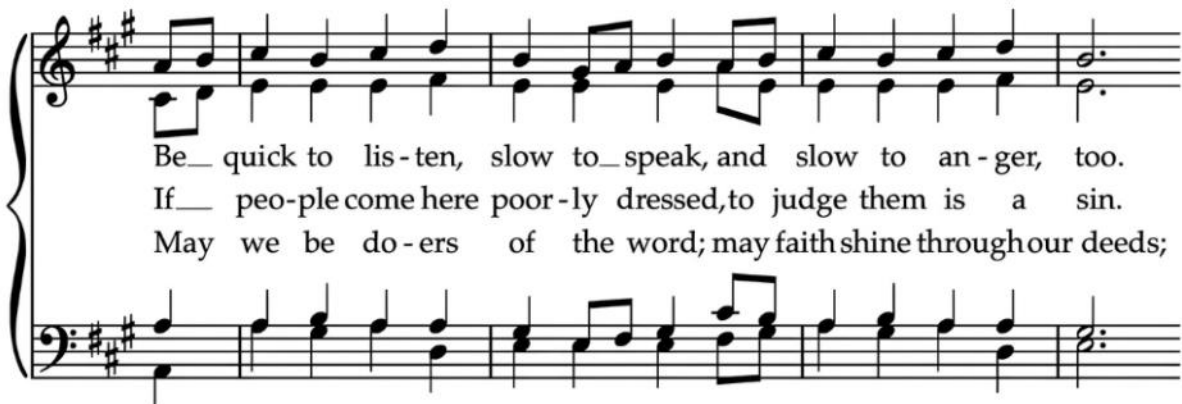
German melody, 18th cent., alt. 1868



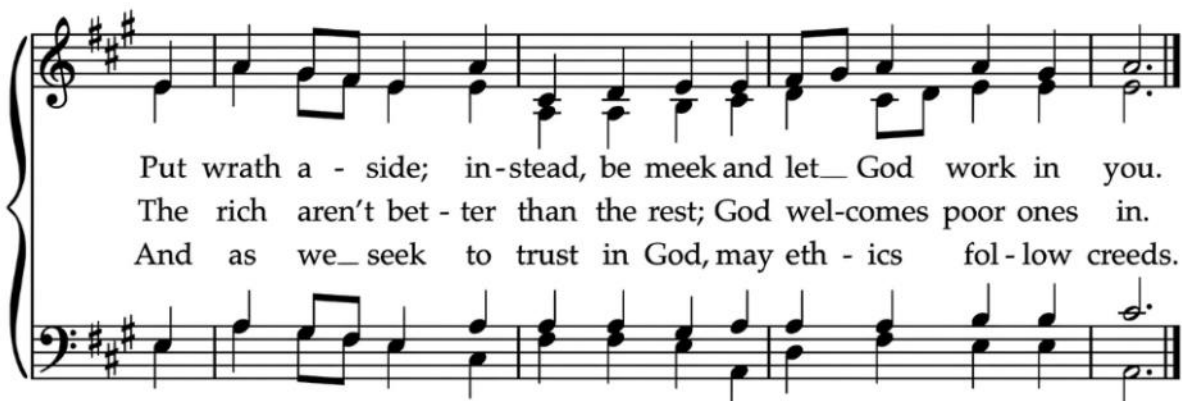
1. Be do - ers_ of the word of God, not simp-ly those who hear.
2. Re - li - gion that is un - de-filed, re - li - gion that is pure
3. O Christ, you save us by God's grace from hav - ing to o - bey.



Be ones who look in - to God's word, o - bey, and per - se - vere.
Will reach to_ help the or-phaned child and wel-come all the poor.
Then freed to_ love, we can em-brace a life_ that seeks your way.



Be_ quick to lis-ten, slow to_ speak, and slow to an - ger, too.
If_ peo-ple come here poor-ly dressed, to judge them is a sin.
May we be do - ers of the word; may faith shine through our deeds;



Put wrath a - side; in - stead, be meek and let_ God work in you.
The rich aren't bet - ter than the rest; God wel-comes poor ones in.
And as we_ seek to trust in God, may eth - ics fol - low creeds.

All are welcome!

EDUCATION HOUR
Kickoff Event

SUNDAY
September 8th

Special Guest
HORN T ZOO



FEDERATED CHURCH

2704 15th Street - Columbus

8:45 am

S.A.L.T - Adult Ed

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9:00 am

Children & Youth Ed

Horn T Zoo

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10:00 am

Worship

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11:00 am

Potluck & Ice Cream Social

Fill out this form to be recognized by the Order of St. Andrew for Veteran's Day

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Branch of Service _____

Please return to the church office by Oct 15, 2024

Don't forget to fill out a Pledge card for the 2025 Stewardship Campaign!

I/We thank God for the opportunity to support the ministries of this congregation.

As I/we seek to be devoted to good works and acts of charity, I/we commit to pray the same for others in our church family.

My/our financial commitment for the upcoming year is \$ _____ per week / month / year. (Circle one)

I/we understand that I can adjust this estimate of giving at any time by contacting the office staff.

____ I/we would like to speak with someone about using our gifts and talents to support our church's ministry.

____ I/we would like to speak with someone about our giving plans.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (____) ____ - _____ Email: _____

