



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, October 17, & Sunday, October 20, 2024
Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost (Year B); Children's Sabbath

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				
Peg Meyer	Kathy Leischner	Tammi Gotschall		
Sharon Kuncl	Barb Olson	Steve McClure		
Laura Porter	Lori Rine	Jesse Abrego		
Andree & Terry Hoeman, Co-Historians				
Bill Royer, Head Usher				

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, & SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (YEAR B)

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

PRELUDE

A Child of the King

ARR. FAYE LOPEZ

Jesus Loves Me

WITH CLAIR DE LUNE ARR. MARILYN REIMER

Amanda Weeder, Piano

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Jesus said, Let the little children come to me...

All: We come, each of us a child of God.

One: Jesus said, Do not stop them.

All: We come to remove obstacles before children.

One: Jesus said, It is to such as these that the reign of God belongs.

All: We come to recognize that each child is already part of God's realm.

One: Jesus said, Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the reign of God as a little child will never enter it.

All: We come to worship with the trust and vulnerability and dependence of a child. Come, let us worship God.

One: Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, O God, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

*** OPENING HYMN # 368**

I've Got Peace Like a River

*** UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God, you have made each of us in your image, and yet we fail to reflect your love and justice. You have created every child in your image, and yet we don't treat every child as a precious reflection of you. We see some children as valued treasures, and others as lost causes. We invest our time, money, and hopes in some children, while we squander the great potential of others. Open our eyes, we pray, to see that every child is made in your image and belongs to you. Help us to love, protect, and nurture all children. We pray these things in the name of the One who came to us as a child. Amen.

*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

*** ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Like a parent eagerly welcoming home the prodigal child who had lost his way, God greets our return with joy and love. Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: As Christ Jesus has shared his peace with each of us, let us now share that peace with each other. Peace be with you.

All: And peace be with you.

*** SONG #339**

Be Thou My Vision

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

CHILDREN'S BELLS

Jesus Loves Me

ANNA B. WARNER

Bell Choir, Stuart Gausman, Director

BELLS OF JOY

Grace & Majesty

JASON W. KRUG

Bell Choir, Stuart Gausman, Director

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

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SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 18 : 16

Pew Bible, NT, page 81

Mark 9 : 37

Pew Bible, NT, page 45

1 Timothy 4 : 12

Pew Bible, NT, page 209

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Katie Claus

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - A Statement of Faith from the United Church of Canada**

Celine Perrin

One: We are not alone, we live in God's world.

All: We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

One: We trust in God.

All: We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, In death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

One: We are not alone.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*** RESPONSIVE HYMN # 386**

O For a World

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

Generosity is a spiritual gift that may be cultivated, grown, and nurtured. Let us plant seeds today with our gifts that will bloom and provide a harvest beyond our expectation or imagination.

*** DOXOLOGY**

MINISTRY

Katie Claus & Julie Graham, Directors

Stretch-A-Belly choreography by Ellie Porter, Meg Weeder, Otis Young

Puppeteers: Meredith Gaeth, Brinlee Kleveman, Ellie Porter, Meg Weeder, Otis Young

*** UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION - Celine Perrin**

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our children, our earth, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in caring for your world with love; through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*** CLOSING HYMN # 315**

Every Time I Feel The Spirit

*** BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

O How I Love Jesus

ARR. MATT LIMBAUGH

Café LaFed will be hosted by the Endowment Committee

October 27 - Café LaFed - Fall Congregation Meeting

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THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, October 20, 2024

- 8:45am SALT - Adult Sunday Class, EC4
- 9:00am Education Hour
- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, October 21, 2024

- 1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study, AD2
- 7:00pm Circle 4, EC4
- 7:00pm Scout Meeting Troop 212, FH

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

- 5:30pm Consonaires, Choir room
- 5:30pm Girl Scouts Theater Club, Gym
- 7:00pm Governing Council Meeting, EC8

Wednesday, October 23, 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, October 24, 2024

- 5:00pm Trunk-or-Treat, South parking lot
- 6:30pm Worship Service

Friday, October 25, 2024

- 6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

Saturday, October 26, 2024

- 9:30am Arlene Fleischer Memorial Service

Sunday, October 27, 2024

- 8:45am SALT - Adult Sunday Class, EC4
- 9:00am Education Hour, Education rooms
- 10:00am Worship Service
- 11:00am Fall Congregational Meeting
- 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. 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 5:45 p.m.

Sign up for 2025 now. Please be a part of this important ministry and sign up in the Narthex!

Social Concerns and Missions Committee

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Primrose**

Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Primrose 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: Wisner United Methodist UCC (Wisner, NE 68791)**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

October 20 - Children's Sabbath, Sunday Funday
Operation Education Nairobi Fundraiser (Soup, soap, Kazuri bead jewelry and fairy globes)

October 24 - Trunk-or-Treat, 5-7 pm

October 26 - Arlene Fleischer Memorial Service

October 27 - Fall Congregational Meeting
Service, Tree Dedication Ceremony after service for Frank Thompson & Gary Robertson

November 3 - Heritage Sunday, Daylight Savings
Time Ends, Tree Dedication Ceremony after service for Chuck Scheuneman

November 10 - Veterans Recognition

November 21 - Cookies 'n More

November 24 - Ecumenical Service, 4 pm,
St. John's Shell Creek

November 28 & 29 - Church office is closed

GOLDEN AGE PARKING

There will be three reserved parking slots on the north side of the church, reserved for mobility challenged seniors.

COOKIES 'N MORE CHANGES!

Pick up a flyer in the Narthex explaining the new changes for Cookies 'N More this year! Nov. 21st.

Did you serve in the military?

We will be honoring all military veterans on Nov. 10th. Please let the office know what branch you served in and if you have a photo - that would be great! We'll scan it and give it right back to you. Thank you.

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