



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, April 10 & Sunday, April 13, 2025
Palm/Passion 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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| Bill Royer, Head Usher | | | | |

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY APRIL 10 AND SUNDAY APRIL 13, 2025

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

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

PRELUDE

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

ARR. HAYES

Almighty, King Eternal Medley

ARR. HAM

Amanda Weeder, Piano

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: On this day, Jesus marched

**All: in between the city walls and the Temple,
in between joyful Hosannas and doubtful whispers,
in between oppressive poverty and greedy power,
in between rampant fear and hope unfurled.**

One: On this day, Jesus marched in between what had been and what could be.

All: So may we meet Christ in that liminal space. May we lay down our coats in that messy middle.

One: Hosanna in the highest!

All: Hosanna in between!

*** OPENING HYMN #88**

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: Friends, we are truth-tellers in the prayer of confession. We are honest about the fact that we are works in progress. We tell the truth of our lives. We lay it all out before God. But this moment of prayer isn't just about us. In the prayer of confession we also reveal who God is, and our God is merciful. Our God is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. So let us pray, knowing that God's truth will always mean grace for us.

Great Creator, forgive me

All: when I speak before listening, when I speak over my neighbor, when I speak with barbed words.

One: Creator God, forgive me

All: when I listen to society, when I listen to my friends, when I listen to the news, but I do not listen to you.

One: Creator God, forgive me

All: when I shout out, but do not shout your name, when I listen, but do not listen for your voice. Forgive me.

One: Create in me a heart like yours.

All: Amen.

*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

*** DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

One: Friends, whether or not you stuck to your Lenten goals this year, whether or not this is your first time in church or your thousandth time, whether or not you know to speak to God or listen for God's voice, God listens to you. God is merciful. God is abounding in steadfast love. There is nothing you could do or leave undone that could keep God from loving you.

So hear and believe the good news of the gospel:

All: We are seen. We are heard. We are loved. We are forgiven.

Not a day goes by that we ever walk alone. Hosanna in the highest! Amen.

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: Christ's love has no limits. It is given to all so we can be united as one in the body of Christ.
May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share Christ's peace with one another.

*** HYMN STF #2193 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (sung twice)**

SPECIAL MUSIC *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

Children's Bells; Stuart Gausman, Director; Jenny Young, Trumpet

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

CHORAL ANTHEM

Ain't No Rock Gonna Shout for Me

LARSON

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

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Katie Claus, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel According to Luke 19 : 28 - 40

Pew Bible, NT, page 83

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We believe that many years ago a peaceful parade wove its way through the streets of Jerusalem.

We believe that on that day the people cried out, longing and praying for a better world.

We believe that these longings came from a place of deep hope,

and we believe that hope cannot be silenced.

So we listen for the Spirit. We sing Hosanna. We pay attention.

For in between the silence and the song, we believe the Spirit is speaking.

Amen.

*** RESPONSIVE HYMN #89**

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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 (Contributions can be placed in box/plate by sanctuary entrance)

*** 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**

God, giver of all good gifts, we thank you for all that you have graciously poured out on us. As we begin Holy Week and walk the final steps to the cross, we give you thanks for the greatest of all gifts — the gift of yourself to your people, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING (Passion of Christ)

Gospel according to Luke 22: 47 - 53 & 23 : 13 - 25

Pew Bible, NT, page 87 - 88

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

All: Thanks be to God!

MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION

CLOSING HYMN #98 (remain seated) O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

BENEDICTION

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

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April 13 - Café LaFed will be hosted by the Social Concerns & Missions Committee

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, April 13, 2025

8:45am SALT - Adult Education Class, EC4
9:00am Education Hour
10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
11:15am Youth Ministry Committee meeting
3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, April 14, 2025

1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study, AD2
4:00pm Diamond Dancers
5:00pm Social Concerns & Missions Committee Meeting
6:30pm Membership & Growth Committee Meeting
7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 212 Meeting

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

11:30am Staff Meeting
2:30pm Caregiver Support Group
5:30pm Consonaires, Choir Room
6:30pm Finance & Property Committee Meeting

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study, Online
6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm HIS Puppeteers Rehearsal
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 17, 2025

5:00pm Special Olympics, Gym
6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary
7:00pm PLS - Boy Scout District Meeting

Friday, April 18, 2025

6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

Saturday, April 19, 2025

No Scheduled Events

Sunday, April 20, 2025

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



JOYS & CONCERNS

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

- ◆ Pray for Margaret Trew as she recovers from an infection.

◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Hebron**

Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Hebron 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:**

Yutan St. Peters UCC
(Yutan, NE 68073)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 17 - Maundy Thursday Service
April 18 - Good Friday, Ecumenical Service, Grace Episcopal Church at noon, Office closes at noon
April 20 - Easter Sunday Service
April 21 - Church office is closed

The **Social Concerns and Mission Committee** is asking for donations of **paper towels & toilet paper** for the months of **April, May, & June** for the **Center For Survivors**. A box is located in the northwest entryway off the Narthex. Thank you for your contributions

GOLDEN AGE PARKING

The first three parking stalls facing the west in the north parking lot are reserved for mobility challenged congregants. Thank you.