



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, May 1 & Sunday, May 4, 2025
Third Sunday of Easter, Confirmation Sunday, Hymn Sing

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				
Kathy Leischner	Tammi Gotschall	Peg Meyer		
Barb Olson	Steve McClure	Joe Chin		
Lori Rine	Jesse Abrego	Brenda Wardman		
Andree & Terry Hoeman, <i>Co-Historians</i>				
Bill Royer, <i>Head Usher</i>				

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, MAY 1 AND SUNDAY MAY 4, 2025

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER, CONFIRMATION SUNDAY, HYMN SING

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

PRELUDE

I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked

ARR. DECOU

Great is the Lord

ARR. SCHRADER

Jesus Loves Me

ARR. HUSTAD

Lee Augustin, Organ & Piano

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Presbyterian Outlook

One: You have turned our mourning into dancing;

All: You have taken off our sackcloth and clothed us with joy.

One: Our souls may praise you and not be silent:

All: O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever.

OPENING HYMN SING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Occasionally, God invites us into confession and repentance with a blinding light from the heavens. But often, God invites us into relationship over a humble cookfire. Let us illumine our lives using this prayer of confession.

All: O Lord our God, we know that your throne is surrounded by the voices of many angels and that you are worshiped by the multitudes of the heavenly host, but we so often fail to join in their “amen.” We do not fall down and worship you as we know we should. We are distracted by our catch, by our high priests, by our mourning, and our doubts. Show yourself to us anew and give us the faith to cast our nets in other waters. Strengthen us to worship you alone as the one on the throne and the Lamb slaughtered for all, even when we are in the depths of the pit.

*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

One: The Lord’s anger is but for a moment. God’s favor is for a lifetime.

All: Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

One: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*** 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.

*** HYMN STF #2108**

O How He Loves You and Me (verse 1)

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Water is Wide

AN AMERICAN FOLK SONG

Bob & Wilma Arp

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Julie Graham, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel According to John 21 : 1 - 19

Pew Bible, NT, page 115 - 116

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

All: Thanks be to God!

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

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; 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 #377 *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore (verses 1 & 2)***

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Presentation: Dylan Bradley, child of Jesse Bradley and Jeanelle Johnson

Questions to Baptisand & Congregation

Thanksgiving over the Water

Baptism

Welcome

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

Georgia Behlen, Church President

Presentation of Confirmands & Mentors

Dylan Bradley, son of Jesse Bradley and Jeanelle Johnson (Katie Claus, Mentor)

Brinlee Klevemann, daughter of Brian & Heidi Klevemann (Sunnie Yang, Mentor)

Elyena Perrin, daughter of Kevin & Lisa Perrin (Heidi Klevemann, Mentor)

Alyse Wolfe, daughter of Drew & Kristi Wolfe (Lisa Perrin, Mentor)

Hunter Yang, son of Edward & Sunnie Yang (Doug Williams, 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**

*** Hymn GTG # 769 *For Everyone Born (verses 1 - 3, 5; see bulletin for insert and words)***

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****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.

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

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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, you have filled our nets to bursting. Empower us to use these gifts for the sustenance of your creation, and to follow them where they go. Amen.

*** CLOSING HYMN #377** *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore (verses 3 & 4)*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

A Joyous Postlude

MALLARD

May 4 - Café LaFed will be hosted by the Christian Education Committee

May 11 - Café LaFed will be hosted by the Stewardship Committee

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, May 4, 2025

- 8:45am SALT - Adult Education Class, EC4
- 9:00am Education Hour
- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 4:00pm Fed @ Fed

Monday, May 5, 2025

- 1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study, AD2
- 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 212 Meeting, FH
- 7:30pm Jazz Band practice

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

- 11:30am Staff Meeting
- 5:30pm Consonaires, Choir Room
- 6:30pm Christian Education Committee meeting
- 7:15pm Worship & Music Committee meeting

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

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

Thursday, May 8, 2025

- 6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, May 9, 2025

- 6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

Saturday, May 10, 2025

- 8:30am Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Sunday, May 11, 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

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

- ◆ Pray for the family of Dylan Wall. Dylan passed away on April 22nd. Funeral services were held at Federated Church on April 30th.
- ◆ Pray for Jean Royer who is recovering from knee surgery.
- ◆ Pray for Christi Grabowski, mother of Karen Grabowski, as she battles cancer.
- ◆ Pray for Shannon Lempeck, sister of Stephanie Johnson as she struggles with health issues.

◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Lincoln Eastridge**
Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Lincoln Eastridge 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:**
Blair Congregational UCC (Blair, NE 68008)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 11 - Mother's Day, Flower sale; Appreciation of Chancel Choir

May 18 - Graduation Sunday, Appreciation of Teachers and Students; Appreciation of Bell Choir

May 26 - Memorial Day, church office is closed

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VACATION BIBLE CAMP

June 2nd - 6th
Federated Church



Register Today!



Volunteers Needed!

Please contact Brenda Sand for more information about volunteering for VBC!

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 to this program.

769 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!