



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, May 8 & Sunday, May 11, 2025
Fourth Sunday of Easter, Mother's Day

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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John Lohr	Nila Novotny	Linda Wheatley	Antoneea Kriewald <i>Co-office Administrator</i>	Lay Pastor Antonio Garcia <i>El Buen Pastor Fellowship</i>
Brenda Sand	Max Porter	Marilyn Vrana	Mark Baumann <i>Custodian</i>	Beatriz Garcia Lopez <i>Nursery Attendant</i>
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, Co-Historians				
Bill Royer, Head Usher				

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, MAY 8 AND SUNDAY MAY 11, 2025

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, MOTHER'S DAY

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

PRELUDE

For the Beauty of the Earth

ARR. RICE

In the Garden

ARR. SPRUNGER

Amanda Weeder, Piano

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIDEO

“Thank You, Mom” by Hyper Pixels Media

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Feasting on the Word

One: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

All: The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!

One: Blessing and honor is yours, O God.

All: Glory to God forever. Alleluia!

*** OPENING HYMN #281**

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: God is present to guide our journey and eager to forgive us when we go astray; therefore, in humility and faith, let us confess our sins against God and neighbor.

All: Holy God, we confess that we have strayed from your paths of right relationship and peace, and we have dishonored you, ourselves, and your creation; we repent of these hurtful ways. Forgive us, we pray, as we learn to forgive others, and guide our feet into the way of peace. Amen.

*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

*** DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

One: God's mercy overflows as a healing spring

All: to cleanse us of our offenses;

One: therefore, know that you are forgiven and receive new life in Christ.

All: Thanks be to God, 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.

*** HYMN STF #2108**

O How He Loves You and Me (verse 1)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Happy in Jesus (Happy Together) Parody

MARK BRADFORD

H.I.S Puppeteers: Dylan Bradley, Meredith Gaeth, Brinlee Klevemann, Hudson Luedtke, Tessa Miller, Ellie Porter, Meg Weeder, Otis Young; Directors, Julie Graham and Katie Claus

APPRECIATION OF CHANCEL CHOIR

Chancel Choir Members: Bob Arp, Wilma Arp, Dana Augspurger, Bev Fry, Marcia Grant, Cola Hahn, Steve Heinisch, Kathy Leischner, Ruth Lind, Sue McClure, Wayne McCormick, Dave Melick, John Novotny, Nila Novotny, Val Rathje, Alison Wagner, Meg Weeder, Doug Williams. Accompanied by Amanda Weeder. Directed by Stuart Gausman.

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

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Marv Zoucha, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts of the Apostles 9 : 36 - 43

Pew Bible, NT, page 128

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - A Mother's Day Liturgy by Noelene Martin**

(words on screen in front of sanctuary)

The Bible is full of real people; people just like us. People with hopes and dreams who experienced disappointments and joys. People with faults and characteristics worthy of praise. People who tried and succeeded, and people who tried and failed. On Mother's Day, we focus on the mothers in the Bible. Although they lived so long ago, they experienced the same joy and pain that mothers of today experience.

*** RESPONSIVE HYMN GTG 324 *For All the Faithful Women* (see insert for words and music)**

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**

Holy God, Divine Shepherd, you anoint us with the oil of gladness; your love overflows our hearts. Accept our offering for the good of the world as we joyfully give thanks for our life in you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*** CLOSING HYMN #404**

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

In the Bulb, There Is a Flower

ARR. MENDOZA

May 11 - Café LaFed will be hosted by the Stewardship Committee
May 18 - Café LaFed will be hosted by the Youth Ministry Committee

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, May 11, 2025

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

Monday, May 12, 2025

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

Tuesday, May 13, 2025

5:30pm Consonaires, Choir Room
7:00pm Personnel Committee

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

12:30pm All Staff Meeting
4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study, Online
6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 15, 2025

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

Friday, May 16, 2025

6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

Saturday, May 17, 2025

No Scheduled Events

Sunday, May 18, 2025

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

Garage Sale is scheduled for **June 28th**. You can start bringing your stuff June 9!
Volunteers will be needed June 23rd through June 28th. Volunteer sign up sheets will be posted soon in the Narthex.

T-SHIRT SALES
ORDER FORMS IN THE NARTHEX
June 15 - 30

Stop in the office, email the office or call.
fcstaff@federatedcolumbus.org

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

- ◆ Chancel Flowers are given by Gail Wurdeman in loving memory of her parents, Irene & Harold Wurdeman. Happy Mother's Day Mom and Happy Birthday Dad!
- ◆ Congratulations to Anjel Garcia Lopez on completing his Certificate in Plumbing Technology at Northeast Community College. Anjel is the son of Antonio and Trinidad Garcia Lopez.
- ◆ Congratulations to Elizabeth Sand on completing her Graphic Design degree at Doane University. Elizabeth is the daughter of Mike and Brenda Sand.
- ◆ Congratulations to Grant Joshua Pickrel on completing his Bachelor of Science Degree at Chadron State College. Grant is the grandson of Jan Pickrel.
- ◆ Congratulations to Diana Gartrell on her retirement. She retired April 21, 2025 after 21 years at Cornhusker Public Power District.
- ◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Lincoln First**
Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Lincoln First 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:**
Center Congregational UCC (Center, NE 68724)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 18 - Graduation Sunday, Appreciation of Teachers and Students; Appreciation of Bell Choir
May 26 - Memorial Day, church office is closed
May 28 - Vacation Bible Camp leader meeting
May 29 & June 1 - Communion, Wholeness & Healing
June 1 - Vacation Bible Camp setup
June 9 - you can drop off items for garage sale

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.

324 For All the Faithful Women

Capo 3: (C) (Am7) (F) (G) (C)
 E^b Cm7 A^b B^b E^b

1 For all the faith - ful wom - en who served in
 2 We praise your name for Mir - iam, who sang tri -
 3 We sing of bus - y Mar - tha, who toiled with
 4 Lord, hear our praise of Dor - cas, who served the

(G) (C) (Am7) (Dm) (G)
 B^b E^b Cm7 Fm B^b

days of old, to you shall thanks be giv - en; to
 um - phant - ly while Pha - raoh's vaunt - ed ar - my lay
 pot and pan while Mar - y sat in si - lence to
 sick and poor. Her hands were cups of kind - ness, her

(C) (G7) (C) (Am)
 E^b B^b7 E^b Cm

all, their sto - ry told. They served with strength and
 drowned be - neath the sea; for Ruth, who left her
 hear the word a - gain. We praise the oth - er
 heart an o - pen door. O God, for saints and

(D) (G) (F) (G) (C)
 F B^b A^b B^b E^b

glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave. To you their
 home - land and ven - tured forth in faith, who pledged to
 Mar - y, who has - tened to the tomb and found her
 ser - vants, our fer - vent prayer we raise, that, faith - ful

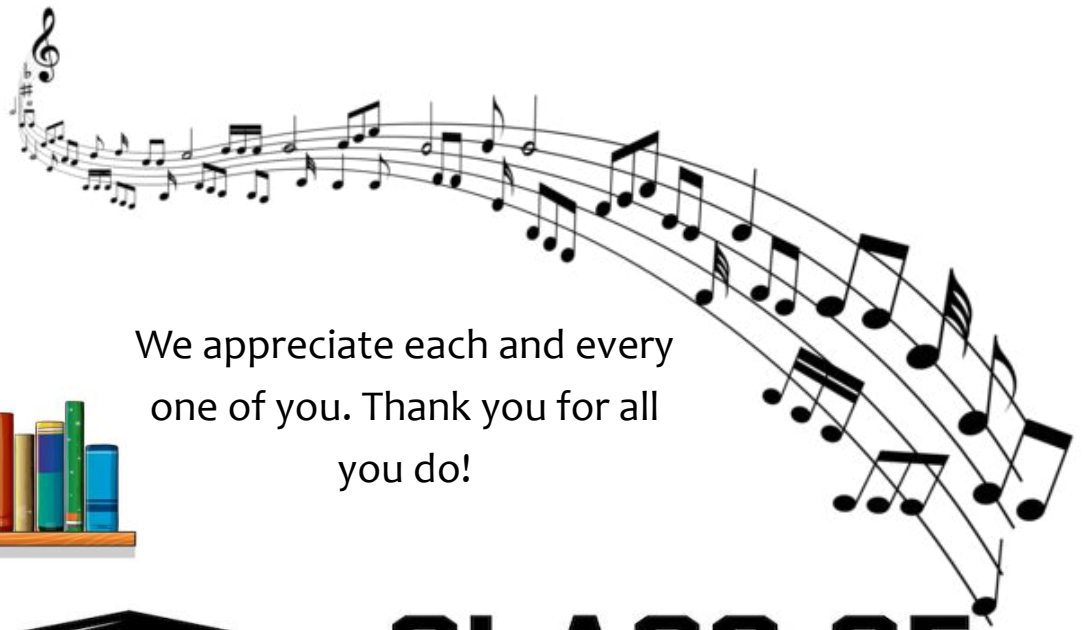
(Am7) (F) (G) (C) (Dm) (G) (C)
 Cm7 A^b B^b E^b Fm B^b E^b

lives bore wit - ness, pro - claimed your power to save.
 serve and wor - ship Na - o - mi's God till death.
 Lord a - ris - en, dis - pel - ling doubt and gloom.
 in your ser - vice, our lives may sing your praise.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Created to honor the tenth anniversary of the first ordination of a woman in the Lutheran Church in America, this text celebrates representative women of the Bible: Miriam and Ruth from Hebrew Scripture, Mary, Martha, and Mary Magdalene from the gospels, and Dorcas from Acts.

To our Chancel Choir,
Bell Choir, and Teachers:



We appreciate each and every
one of you. Thank you for all
you do!



CLASS OF 2025

Graduation service is May 18th. If you or someone in your family are graduating from school (kindergarten, high school, or college) please share that information with us so we can all rejoice together about their great accomplishments!

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

June 2nd - 6th
Federated Church



Register Today!



Volunteers Needed!

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