



# FEDERATED CHURCH

**Thursday, July 3 & Sunday, July 6, 2025**

**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, 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](http://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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Andree & Terry Hoeman, Co-Historians				
Bill Royer, Head Usher				

**Welcome to Worship at Federated!**

THURSDAY, JULY 3 AND SUNDAY JULY 6, 2025

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, Hymn Sing

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

PRELUDE

Communion  
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee  
Lee Augustin, Piano

BATISTE  
ARR. LABENSKE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Psalm 71)

UCC Worship Ways

One: Sing praises to the Holy One, O you faithful, and give thanks to God's holy name

**All: Shepherd and Source, you guide us in wisdom. You cover us in love.**

One: Sing praises to the Holy One, O you faithful, and give thanks to God's holy name

**All: Comforter and Spirit, you encourage us in times of trouble. You strengthen us for the journey.**

One: Sing praises to the Holy One, O you faithful, and give thanks to God's holy name

**All: Redeemer and Friend, you hear our cry, redeem the years of struggle, and restore our joy.  
Praise the Holy One!**

**\* OPENING HYMN SING**

**UNISON PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE**

**All: Righteous God, forgive us for praying for the harvest without planting seeds. Forgive us for praying for the harvest without preparing the soil. Forgive us for praying for the harvest without tending the land, discerning weeds, and ensuring an adequate supply of water. Transform us for the work of the harvest. Transform us into cultivators of hope and joy. Transform us to plant seeds of justice and love. God of the harvest, equip us for the labor of stewarding the roots of new life you offer.**

**MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

**WORDS OF GRACE**

One: Beloved, there is room in the garden for you and the gifts you bring. Receive the grace of God to plant and replant, to till and to tend, to harvest and to hope.

**All: We rest in knowing that the One who sends us to work for a good harvest will sustain, guide, and renew us in this life.**

**\* PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: In Jesus Christ, we know God's forgiveness and peace. The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Let us share that peace with one another.

**\* Hymn STF #2164**

**Sanctuary (sung twice)**

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

SPECIAL MUSIC

*God and God Alone*  
Stuart Gausman

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Kristen Gausman, Liturgist

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

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## SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel According to Luke 10 : 1 - 11 , 16 - 20

Pew Bible, NT, page 71

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

**All: Thanks be to God!**

## SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

### \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - "PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS"

"Lord, make [us] an instrument of thy peace.

**Where there is hatred, let me sow love, Where there is injury, pardon;**

Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope;

**Where there is darkness, light; And where there is sadness, joy.**

O Divine Master, grant that [we] may not so much seek to be consoled as to console,

**to be understood as to understand,**

to be loved, as to love.

**For it is in giving that we receive,**

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

**And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life." Amen.**

### \* RESPONSIVE HYMN #514

*Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

### 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

We thank you, O God, that through Word and Sacrament you have given us your Son, who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life. So strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

We give you thanks, Wise God, for cultivating generosity within us and alerting us to the needs around us. Use these gifts for the expansion of your will on earth and the blessing of your beloved. In your name and in hope, we give these gifts. Amen.

### \* CLOSING HYMN STF #2184

*Sent Out in Jesus' Name*

### \* BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

A Joyous Postlude

MALLARD

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

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## THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

### Sunday, July 6, 2025

10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary

3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary

### Monday, July 7, 2025

1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study

7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 212 Meeting, FH

### Tuesday, July 8, 2025

11:30am Staff Meeting, AD2

7:00pm Governing Council Meeting

### Wednesday, July 9, 2025

4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study, Online

### Thursday, July 10, 2025

12:30pm The Basket Cases Craft Group

6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

### Friday, July 11, 2025

6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

### Saturday, July 12, 2025

8:30am Men's Fellowship Breakfast

### Sunday, July 13, 2025

10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary

11:15am Youth Ministry Committee Meeting

3:00pm Spanish Worship Service, Sanctuary

### ♦ **Homestead Presbytery: Nebraska City**

First Presbyterian Church in Nebraska City enjoyed a blessed Easter season and now we are transitioning into Pentecost. Many blessings were felt this spring. The choir under the direction of Abby Reese continues to bring excellent music to our weekly worship services. We also have been having special music for the summer months. For example, the Apple Corp Barbershop Chorus will grace our service on June 22nd. We place a high value on quality worship each Sunday. We invite you to come to Nebraska City and visit us. There's lots to do here.

### **UCC Living Waters Association: Hartington First Congregational UCC (Hartington, NE 68739)**

## JOYS & CONCERNS

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

- ♦ Pray for Mike Sand who had hip replacement surgery on July 2nd. Mike is Brenda's husband. Pray for a fast and full recovery.
- ♦ Congratulations to Cola Hahn on her retirement from Columbus Public Schools after 18 years. Cola retired at the end of June.
- ♦ Congratulations to Lauretta Dixon. Lauretta will be celebrating her 90th birthday on July 17th. Everyone is welcome to attend a birthday celebration in the Fellowship Hall on July 19th between 2 and 4 p.m.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

July 27 - 31 - Triennium Trip

August 7 & 10 - Communion

August 17 - Blessing of Backpacks

August 23 - GC Retreat at Benedictine Center

JOIN  
**TEAMMATES**  
MENTORING  
of Columbus  
TODAY

Join the Team. Be a Mentor.

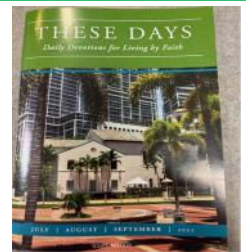


## Summer Café LaFed and

**Special Music** sign up sheets are in the Narthex.

Please sign up if you can!

These Days for the 3rd quarter of 2025 is now available in the Narthex and office



**Library room** will be open as nursery during the summer months. Please feel free to use this space for caring for your children as needed. Thank you.