



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, September 25 & Sunday, September 28, 2025
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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	
Georgia Behlen, <i>President</i> Bob Arp, <i>Vice President</i> Barb Sanderson, <i>Secretary</i>			Rev. Edward Yang, Ph.D. <i>Pastor/Head of Staff</i> edward@federatedcolumbus.org	Stuart Gausman <i>Director of Music Ministry</i>
<u><i>Class of 2025</i></u>	<u><i>Class of 2026</i></u>	<u><i>Class of 2027</i></u>	Brenda Sand <i>Christian Education Director</i> brenda@federatedcolumbus.org	Lee Augustin <i>Pianist</i>
Pat Anderson	Nila Novotny	Terry Norris		
John Lohr	Max Porter	Linda Wheatley	Kathy Zywiec <i>Co-office Administrator, Social Media Coordinator</i>	Amanda Weeder <i>Accompanist</i>
Brenda Sand		Marilyn Vrana	Antoneea Kriewald <i>Co-office Administrator</i>	Lay Pastor Antonio Garcia <i>El Buen Pastor Fellowship</i>
Order of St. Andrew - Federated Church Deacons			Mark Baumann <i>Custodian</i>	
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, SEPTEMBER 25 AND SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

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

PRELUDE

The Church's One Foundation

ARR. RICE

Built on the Rock

ARR. LIMBAUGH

The God of Abraham Praise

ARR. HAYES

Amanda Weeder, Piano

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Feasting on the Word

One: Happy are those whose help is in God, whose hope is in the Lord their God

All: The Lord God reigns forever, for all generations. Praise the Lord!

One: Let us worship God!

*** OPENING HYMN #306**

Fairest Lord Jesus

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: If we call out in need, the Lord will answer. Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor, trusting in the Lord who sets prisoners free.

All: We have sinned, O God, hoarding what we have, grasping for more, and ignoring those who hunger and thirst. We stay with our own kind; we are complacent in the face of systems that oppress. Forgive us; purify us; remake us, that we might love as you love.

*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

*** DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

One: Through Christ we are carried away by the angels, comforted by Father Abraham, our hunger—satisfied, our agony—cooled, and our sins—forgiven.
Believe the good news:

All: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: May we be people of wholeness and peace.
The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Please share God's peace with one another.

*** HYMN STF #2025**

As the Deer

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Julie Graham

CHORAL ANTHEM

Come, Now Is the Time to Worship

ARR. HAYES

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Katie Claus, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel According to Luke 16 : 19 - 31

Pew Bible, NT, page 79 - 80

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

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

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*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – “SERENITY PRAYER” BY REINHOLD NIEBUHR**

Compassionate One, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,
the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.
Living one day at a time, enjoying one moment at a time;
accepting hardship as a pathway to peace;
taking, as Jesus did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it;
trusting that You will make all things right if I surrender to Your will;
so that I may be reasonably happy in this life
and supremely happy with You forever in the next. Amen.

*** RESPONSIVE HYMN #488**

The God of Abraham Praise

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**

**We give you thanks and praise, generous God, for every good gift that comes from your hand:
for food and clothing, for life and health, for family and friends,
above all for the treasure of your grace. Make us rich in good works, generous and ready to
share, taking hold of the life that really is life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*** CLOSING HYMN #421**

The Church of Christ in Every Age (verses 1, 3 & 5)

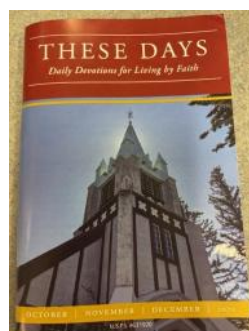
*** BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Jesus Shall Reign

ARR. LABENSKE

September 28 - Café LaFed is hosted by Circle #1
October 5 - Café LaFed is hosted by Peg Rupprecht



The October, November and December THESE DAYS - Daily Devotions for Living By Faith are available in the office and the Narthex.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, September 28, 2025

8:45am SALT - Adult Education Class, EC4
9:00am Education Hour, EC rooms
10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, September 29, 2025

1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study, AD2
7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 212 Meeting, FH

Tuesday, September 30, 2025

11:30am Staff Meeting, AD2
5:30pm Consonaires Rehearsal, Choir room
5:30pm Girl Scout Play Practice, FH

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study, Online
6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir room

Thursday, October 2, 2025

12:30pm Basket Cases Craft Group, EC8
6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, October 3, 2025

5:00pm Private Wedding rehearsal, Sanctuary
6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service, EC6

Saturday, October 4, 2025

8:00am Private Wedding, Sanctuary, Narthex

Sunday, October 5, 2025

8:45am SALT - Adult Education Class, EC4
9:00am Education Hour, EC rooms
10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary

♦ Homestead Presbytery: Wahoo Czech

Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Wahoo Czech 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: West Point Trinity UMC/UCC (West Point, NE 68788)

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

- ♦ Congratulations to Kaitlin & John Carey as they are getting married on September 20th in Sacramento, CA. Kaitlin is the daughter of Clark & Robin Lehr.
- ♦ Congratulations to Dana Augspurger on her retirement! Dana retired the end of July after 42 years of being a hairdresser.
- ♦ Pray for Glynnette Smith, she is having open heart surgery on October 1st.
- ♦ Pray for Jackie Marker as she is recovering from a stroke.
- ♦ Pray for Mike Sand, husband of Brenda Sand, as he is recovering from hip replacement surgery.
- ♦ Pray for the family of Elda Juhnke, mother of Kathy Leischner. Elda passed away September 22nd.

There are still quite a few books leftover from our garage sale in EC8. They will only be there for a couple more weeks, so make sure you go check them out if you have not already!

Are you not receiving our weekly MailChimp email but you would like to? Please let the office know and we will get that set up for you!



Stewardship 2026
Our gifts become grace in
the lives we touch.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

October 2 & 5 - World Communion, Hymn Sing

October 11 - Men's Fellowship

October 12 - Adult Education Workshop with Hailey

Rathje on Life Alert; Baptism

October 19 - Children's Sabbath

October 26 - Fall Congregational Meeting

October 30 - Trunk or Treat

The **Social Concerns and Mission Committee** is asking for donations of **Pine Sol, bleach and leashes** for the months of **July, August & September** for the **Paws & Claws**. A box is located in the northwest entryway off the Narthex. Thank you for your contributions to this program.