



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, June 18 & Sunday, June 21, 2026
Fourth 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		
Bob Arp, <i>President</i> Steve Heinisch, <i>Vice President</i>		
<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>	<u>Class of 2028</u>
Nila Novotny	Terry Norris	Marcia Grant
Max Porter	Linda Wheatley	Antonio Garcia
	Marilyn Vrana	Placido Campos
Order of St. Andrew - Federated Church Deacons		
Tammi Gotschall	Peg Meyer	Doris Augspurger
Steve McClure	Joe Chin	Lori Rine
Jesse Abrego	Brenda Wardman	Georgia Behlen
Andree & Terry Hoeman, Co-Historians		
Bill Royer, Head Usher		

Federated Church Clergy and Staff	
Rev. Edward Yang, Ph.D. <i>Pastor/Head of Staff</i>	Stuart Gausman <i>Director of Music Ministry</i>
Brenda Sand <i>Christian Education Director</i>	Lee Augustin <i>Pianist</i>
Kathy Zywiec <i>Co-office Administrator</i>	Amanda Weeder <i>Accompanist</i>
Antoneea Kriewald <i>Co-office Administrator</i>	Lay Pastor Antonio Garcia <i>El Buen Pastor Fellowship</i>
Meg Weeder <i>Office Assistant</i>	Deb Gaeth Anjel Garcia Lopez <i>Nursery Attendants</i>
Mark Baumann <i>Custodian</i>	

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

THURSDAY, JUNE 18 & SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2026

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (YEAR A)

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

PRELUDE

Children of the Heavenly Father

ARR. BROUGHTON

This Is My Father's World

ARR. HUGHES

Faith of Our Fathers

ARR. WALTERS

Lee Augustin, Pianist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Come, all who feel abandoned or alone, for God sees you and hears your cries.

All: We gather, trusting in the God who provides hope in the wilderness.

One: We may wander through dry and uncertain places, yet God meets us there.

All: Let us remember that no voice goes unheard, no heart unnoticed.

One: We lift our prayers and praises, confident that God's care surrounds us.

All: Come, let us worship the God who sees, who listens, and who acts on our behalf.

*** GATHERING HYMN #356**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: Merciful God, You are the God who sees us before we are born,

All: Who calls us by name,

One: Who walks beside us in the wilderness, Who loves us even when we stray.

All: We confess that we too often turn away from You, seeking comfort in our own strength, rather than trusting in Your steadfast love.

One: Help us to follow Your call

All: Teach us to walk in faith, and to trust in Your promises.

*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

*** ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Friends, hear the good news: the mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting. Let us proclaim the Good News.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: As children of God we are no longer strangers, but friends. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*** HYMN STF # 2068**

I Love You, Lord

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Beatriz & Anjel Garcia Lopez

VIDEO

"For the Fathers" by Hyper Pixels Media

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Julie Graham, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 21 : 8 - 21

Pew Bible, OT, page 17

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

All: Thanks be to God!

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

One: Christians, what do you believe about the God who created you?

All: We believe in God the Father Almighty, the Maker of heaven and earth, who created all people in the divine image.

One: What do you believe about God's presence in our trials?

All: We believe in Jesus Christ, who came to seek and save the lost. He crossed every human boundary, choosing solidarity with the outcast, the lonely, and the rejected. In Him, the promises of God are fulfilled, and no one is beyond the reach of His saving grace.

One: What do you believe about the Holy Spirit's work in the world today?

All: We believe in the Holy Spirit, who tracks us into the deepest deserts of our lives. The Spirit hears the cries of the vulnerable, opens our eyes to see divine provision, and sustains us when our own strength runs completely dry. We trust that God is with us in the wilderness, working through our brokenness to bring forth a future of hope. Amen.

*** RESPONSIVE HYMN # 276**

Great is Thy Faithfulness

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)

Happy are those who help and hope is in the Lord. Let us proclaim our trust in Him by giving our tithes and offerings.

*** 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**

Lord, our hearts are full of joy. May others glorify you because of these offerings, given in Jesus' name. Amen.

*** SENDING HYMN # 399**

Be Thou My Vision

*** BENEDICTION****POSTLUDE**

Faith Is the Victory

ARR. WALTERS

Café LaFed is hosted by Katie Claus today

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Summer office hours: 8am - noon & 1 - 4:30pm

Sunday, June 21, 2026

8:15am El Buen Pastor Bible Study & Prayer
10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, June 22, 2026

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

Tuesday, June 23, 2026

7:00pm Governing Council Meeting, EC8

Wednesday, June 24, 2026

11:30am Staff Meeting, Office
4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study, Online

Thursday, June 25, 2026

6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, June 26, 2026

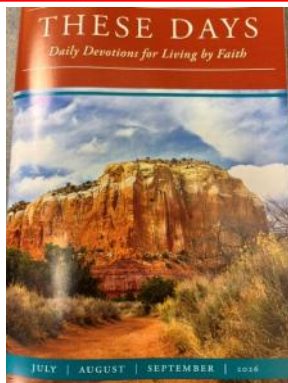
6:00pm El Buen Pastor Bible Study, EC6

Saturday, June 27, 2026

9:00am Private Birthday party, FH

Sunday, June 28, 2026

8:15am El Buen Pastor Bible Study & Prayer
10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
11:15am **250 yr. America** Ice-cream social, FH



**July, August & September
2026**

**THESE DAYS: DAILY DEVOTION
BOOKS ARE
AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX
AND THE
CHURCH OFFICE**

Colorado Peaches

\$27.00 - 10 lb. lug of Colorado peaches
Order before July 1

Contact Lion member Jeanmarie Nelson
at (402) 615-3443 jmjazzbear@gmail.com

Can Care -A- Van for the **Platte County Food Pantry** is Thursday, **June 25, 2026** from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm in the Pizza Ranch parking lot. All donations go directly to the food pantry.

GARAGE SALE SET UP

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 8 AM - 4:30 PM

SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX

OR CALL LINDA WHEATLEY

- ◆ **Homestead Presbytery:** Schuyler
Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Schuyler 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:** Fremont First Congregational UCC (Fremont, NE 68025)

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

- ◆ Pray for Mike Sand who had back surgery on June 15th and is now recovering.
- ◆ Congratulations to Reuben & Denise Hughes on the birth of their granddaughter, Monroe Mae Marie Alther, born on June 4, 2026. She is welcomed home by her parents, Brian & Shelby Alther, along with brothers, Holden and Case. Great grandmother is Donna Engquist.
- ◆ Pray for John Hahn and family, as John is currently having health issues.
- ◆ Pray for Carol Bottum who fell. She has asked for no visitors while recovering.
- ◆ Congratulations to Mitchell & Brea Griffith on the birth of their daughter, Malia Marie Griffith, born June 18, 2026. Grandparents are Bob & Annette Griffith. Pray for minor heart condition that will require surgery.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

June 28 - America 250 Ice-cream social

July 3 - church office closed for Independence Day

2026 ANNUAL GARAGE & BAKE SALE

(You may bring your items to the church)

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED

**Televisions, Computer Monitors, Baby Car Seats,
Mattresses & Box Springs, Air Conditioners,
Dehumidifiers, Refrigerators & Freezers,
Firearms & Ammunition**