



FEDERATED CHURCH

Thursday, August 20 & Sunday, August 23, 2026

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

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

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

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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

Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners

ARR. RICE

There is a Redeemer

ARR. SANBORN

Amanda Weeder, Pianist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Feasting on the Word

One: We give thanks to God with our whole heart.

All: We give thanks for God's steadfast love and faithfulness!

One: Though high above all things, God sees the lowly.

All: Even when we are in deep trouble, God makes us live again.

One: The love of God lasts forever!



*** GATHERING HYMN # 430**

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!



*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: Brothers and sisters, with hope in the mercies of God,
we confess our sins before God and one another.

All: Merciful God, we confess that we have conformed our lives to the ways of the world and not the ways of your kingdom. We think of ourselves too highly and regard others as lowly. We exalt possessions and power, when you alone are to be exalted. We let conflicts prevail over grace and divisions over harmony. Have mercy upon us, we pray. Forgive and transform us, that we may be holy and acceptable to you, discerning and doing your will.



*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

*** DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

One: The steadfast love of the Lord never ends. When we call out to God, God answers.

**All: God saves us with a strong and outstretched hand. In Jesus Christ,
we are forgiven and helped to live in grace. Amen.**

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you, a peace the world cannot give."
Peace of Christ be always with you

All: And also with you.

One: Please greet one another with a sign of peace



*** HYMN STF #2215**

Cares Chorus

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

SPECIAL MUSIC

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Sue McClure, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - Nicene Creed (responsive reading)**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
**true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.



*** RESPONSIVE HYMN # 442**

The Church's One Foundation



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**

**Gracious God, we thank you for the measure of faith you have given to each of us. Increase
in us generosity, compassion, and prophetic courage so we may continue to be your body
in and for the world. With thanksgiving, we pray in the name of Christ. Amen.**



*** SENDING HYMN # 298**

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

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

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* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Simple Gifts

ARR. LIMBAUGH

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, August 23, 2026

8:15am El Buen Pastor Bible Study & Prayer

10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, August 24, 2026

1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study, AD 2

5:00pm Personnel Committee Meeting

7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 212 Meeting, FH

Tuesday, August 25, 2026

12:30pm All Staff Meeting

4:00pm Prairie Village Chapel

7:00pm Governing Council Meeting

Wednesday, August 26, 2026

2:00pm Meridian Gardens Chapel

4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study, Online

6:30pm Puppeteers Practice

Thursday, August 27, 2026

6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

Friday, August 28, 2026

5:30pm Family Fun Night

6:00pm El Buen Pastor Bible Study, EC6

Saturday, August 29, 2026

2:00pm Remembrance Gathering for Charlotte Griffith

Sunday, August 30, 2026

8:15am El Buen Pastor Bible Study & Prayer

10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary

11:00am Confirmation Meeting

• **Homestead Presbytery: York.**

We request prayers for the vitality and health of our congregation at First Presbyterian York as well as God's comfort to the families and friends of two individuals who have recently passed. We pray for God's protection for our children and teachers as they start their upcoming school year in the next few weeks. We pray for God's love and mercy to all who struggle, all who feel isolation, all who are sick, and all who are in need of shelter, food, and help. We lift prayers of thanksgiving for our Certified Lay Pastor, Penny Schulz, who has joined us in January of this year. We pray that God guides her and strengthens her on this journey with us.

- **UCC Living Waters Association:** Plainview First Congregational UCC (Plainview, NE 68796)

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

- Congratulations to Dan & Lizzie Johnson on the birth of their son, Rhen Aerni Johnson, on August 1, 2026. Grandparents are Guy & Linda Wheatley.
- Pray for the family of Gary Mihulka of Seattle, WA. Gary Passed away on August 12, 2026. Gary is the cousin of Alison Wagner.
- Pray for the family of Donna Doolittle, former member and employee of Federated Church. Donna passed away on August 16, 2026. Her funeral is Friday, August 21 in Gretna, NE.

Upcoming Events:

August 29 - Remembrance Gathering for Charlotte Griffith at 2:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Families with grade school aged children are invited to join Membership & Growth for a Family Fun Night at Tim & Chris Warren's place at Wagner's Lake on August 28th at 5:30 pm. Parents are to attend with their children. Please RSVP to Tim or Chris or to a committee member.

Come Make Music With Us!

Our Music Ministry regular season is about to begin, and new members are always welcome! If you've ever thought about singing with the Chancel Choir or ringing with Bells of Joy, this is a great time to come see what we're all about. No audition or prior commitment is necessary, just come give it a try!

First Rehearsals are Wednesday, September 9:
Bells of Joy Handbell Choir 6:30 p.m. • Sanctuary
Chancel Choir 7:30 p.m. • Choir Room
Come join us for music, fellowship, and the joy of helping lead worship. We'd love to have you!

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