

Federated Church

Thursday, November 19 & Sunday, November 22, 2026

Christ the King; Reign of Christ Sunday (end of Year A in RCL)

CHILDREN WELCOME IN WORSHIP! COOS, CRIES, COMMOTION & ALL.
Children are encouraged to take part in worship in ways that are meaningful to them. Activity bags, children's bulletins, and worship notes are available in the Children's Nook in the Narthex to support their participation.

WORSHIP SERVICE RECORDING NOTICE
To help share God's message with those unable to attend in person, our worship services are live streamed and recorded each Sunday. Services are available on our church website, social media channels, and other video platforms for live viewing and future playback.
Please be aware that those attending worship, including children, may appear in video recordings or live streams. By participating in worship, you understand that your image and likeness may be visible to others online.
Thank you for being a part of our worship community.

Governing Council - Federated Church Elders		
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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*
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Welcome to Worship at Federated!

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

PRELUDE — *Let Us Break Bread Together* — ARR. HAYES
His Eye Is on the Sparrow — ARR. LABENSKE
God's Care Medley — ARR. HAM
Amanda Weeder, Pianist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** — PCUSA MATTHEW 25 WORSHIP & UCC WORSHIP WAYS

One: Know that the Holy One is God.
All: We are God's people.
One: Worship the Holy One with gladness;
All: Come into God's presence with singing.
One: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and God's courts with praise.
All: Make a joyful noise!
One: For God is good; God's steadfast love endures forever,
and God's faithfulness to all generations.
All: Let us worship God with thanks and joy!

♫ *** GATHERING HYMN # 559** — ***We Gather Together***

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: A voice is crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord.
Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.
All: Merciful God, we confess that we have wandered from your way of truth and life. You call us to share all that we have and work together for the common good, but we hoard up treasures for ourselves and deny others their daily bread. You call us to set the captives free and seek justice for the oppressed, but we live in fear of our neighbors and hide ourselves from our own kin. You call us to walk in newness of life and to be witnesses to the resurrection, but we dwell in the valley of dry bones and keep silent about your saving love. Forgive us, God of grace. Set us free from sin, death and fear so that we may serve you with gladness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

*** DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

One: Hear the good news:
All: God's love has been poured into our hearts through the gift of the Holy Spirit.
One: I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
All: Thanks be to God!

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: Christ's love has no limits. It is given to all so we can be united as one in the body of Christ.
May the peace of Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.
One: Let us share Christ's peace with one another.

♫ *** HYMN STF # 2036** — ***Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart***

CHILDREN'S SERMON — Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

CHORAL ANTHEM *We See Christ* - RANEY

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



PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Jackie Marker, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel According to Matthew 25 : 31 - 46 Pew Bible, NT, page 29

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 Brief Statement of Faith" (*PCUSA Book of Confessions*)**

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives.
We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.
In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image to live as one community.
We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith and binds us together
with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.
With believers in every time and place,
We rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us
from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

♫ *** RESPONSIVE HYMN (SEE INSERT)** ***God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE



LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING (Contributions can be placed in box/plate by sanctuary entrance)

Jesus says: The realm of heaven has come near.

Freely you have received; therefore, freely give. Let us offer our lives to the Lord.

*** 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, O Lord: You have created us in your own image. You have claimed us as your beloved people. You have called us to be a blessing for others. Use the gifts of your good creation and the works of our hands to lift up the oppressed, break down dividing walls, and build up your church; all in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

♫ *** SENDING HYMN (SEE INSERT)** ***God Be with You Till We Meet Again***

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord* ARR. SANBORN

November 22 - Cafe La Fed is hosted by the Stewardship Committee
November 29 - Cafe La Fed is hosted by the Endowment Committee

This Week at Federated Church

Sunday, November 22, 2026

8:15am El Buen Pastor Bible Study & Prayer
8:45am SALT Adult Education
9:00am Children & Youth Education Hour
10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
4:00pm Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service @ St. John's (Shell Creek)

Monday, November 23, 2026

7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 212 Meeting, FH

Tuesday, November 24, 2026

11:30am Staff Meeting, Office
4:00pm Prairie Village Chapel
5:30pm Girl Scouts Play Rehearsal, Gym
7:00pm Governing Council Meeting

Wednesday, November 25, 2026

8:30am Girl Scouts Play Rehearsal, Gym
2:00pm Meridian Gardens Chapel

Thursday, November 26, 2026

Church office closed; No worship service

Friday, November 27, 2026

Church office closed
6:00pm El Buen Pastor Bible Study, EC6

Saturday, November 28, 2026

No Events Scheduled

Sunday, November 29, 2026

8:15am El Buen Pastor Bible Study & Prayer
8:45am SALT Adult Education
9:00am Children & Youth Education Hour
10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary

JOYS & CONCERNS

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

- Pray for the family of Ron Bartak, brother of Diane Scheffler, who passed away on October 31 in Madison, NE.
- Pray for Stephanie Johnson who is recovering from knee replacement surgery she had on November 16.
- Pray for Reagan Gausman who is recovering from a 2nd hand surgery she had on November 16.
- Pray for Diane Knapp, sister of Donna Augspurger, who is undergoing tests for health concerns.
- Pray for Gordon Specht as he is having heart health concerns.
- Pray for Malia Griffith as she will be having surgery on December 1.

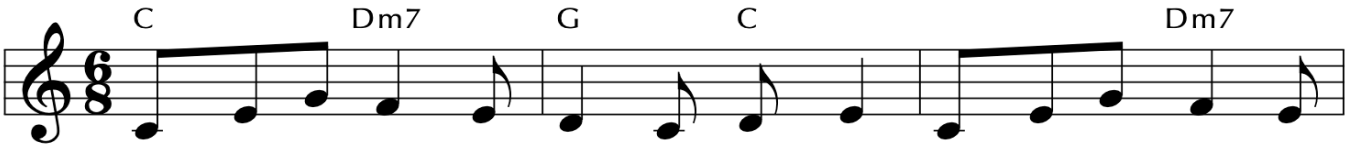
Upcoming Events:

November 22, 4 pm - Ecumenical Thanksgiving service at St. John's (Shell Creek)
November 26 - Thanksgiving Day, No worship service
November 26 & 27 - Church office closed
November 29 - 1st Sunday of Advent

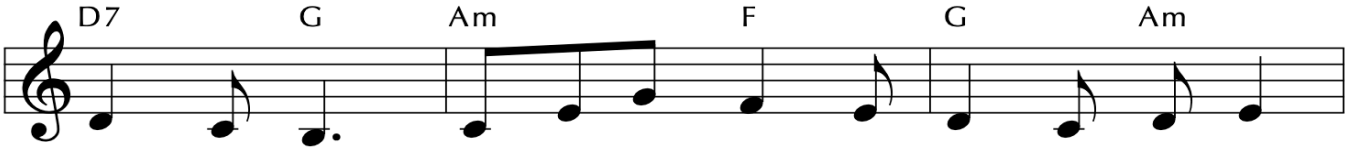
- **Homestead Presbytery: Hickman**
  Please pray for Hickman Presbyterian Church. Like many of us, we are continually learning what it means to thrive in these days. So much of our lives has changed, and that includes our lives together at church. But we also continue to find ways to thrive. We ask for wisdom and guidance as we continue to explore new ways to serve our congregation and our community.
- **UCC Living Waters Association:** *Columbus Federated UCC* (Columbus, NE 68601)

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

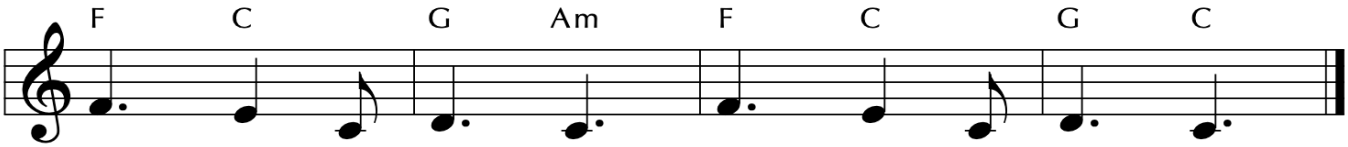
O Christ, Surround Me



1 God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to
2 Bind to my-self the Name of Ho - ly, great cloud of wit - ness-
3 Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light, flash - ing of light-ning,
4 Walk - ing be-hind to hem my jour - ney, go - ing a - head to
5 Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up - hold me:
es en - fold; proph - ets, a - pos - tles, an - gels wit - ness:
strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan - et:
light my way, and from be - neath, a - bove, and all ways:
hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:



O Christ, sur - round me; O Christ, sur - round me.

This hymn is a 21st-century adaptation of the traditional Celtic prayer style known as a *lorica* (Latin for "armor" or "breastplate"). Many such petitions for God's presence and protection were never written down, but this one is based on an example attributed to St. Patrick.

TEXT and MUSIC: Richard Bruxvoort Colligan, 2004 GREEN TYLER

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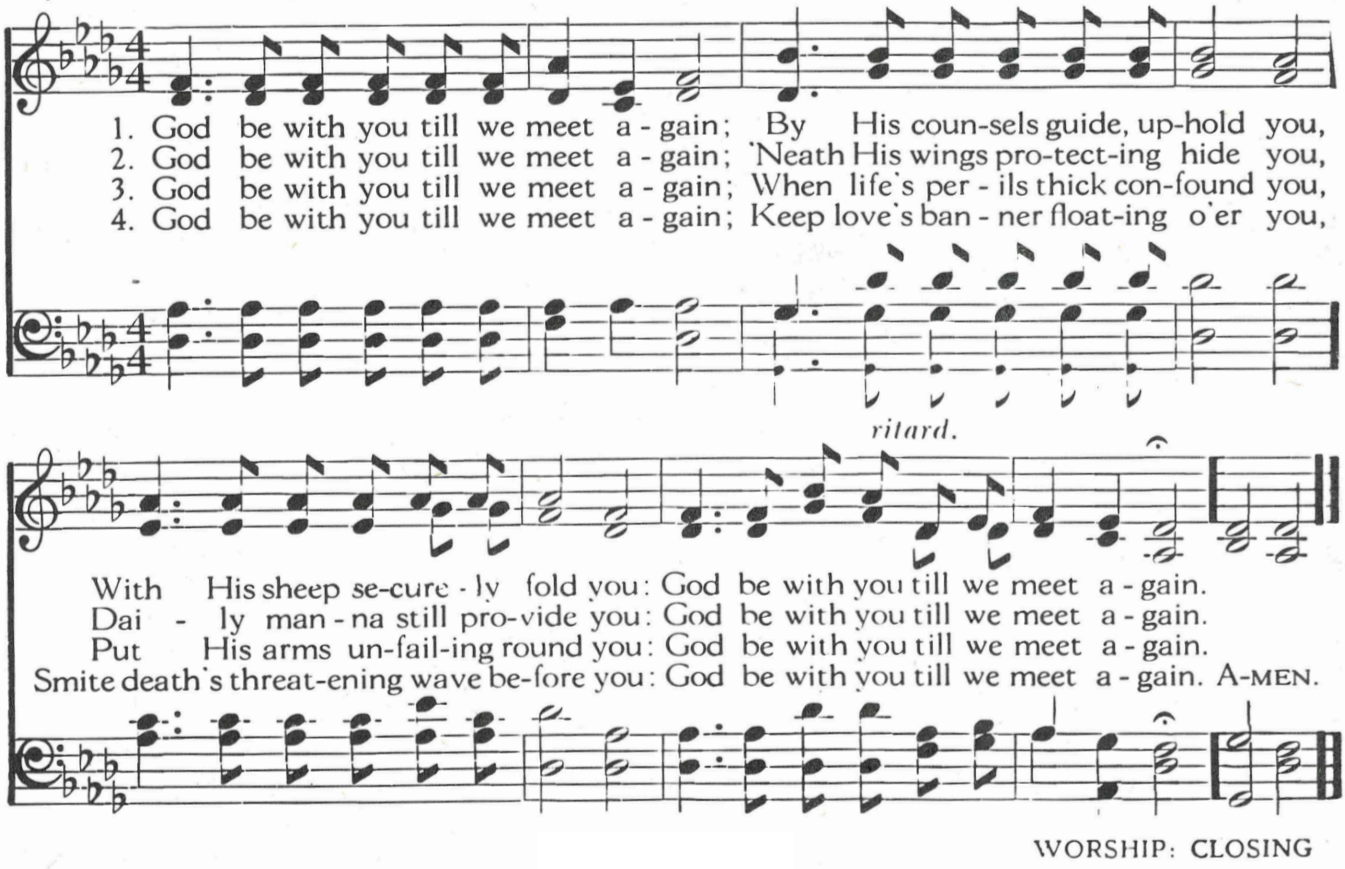
God Be with You Till We Meet Again

(SECOND TUNE)

GOD BE WITH YOU: 9. 8. 8. 9.

Jeremiah E. Rankin (1828-1904)

William G. Tomer (1832-1896)



WORSHIP: CLOSING

Another Cookies 'N More is in the books! We were down in numbers this year so we didn't sell out, but the event was still a success. The fellowship of working together with so many Federated members is always such fun and the heart of what makes this work. Thanks to Jeanne Johnson and Tammi Gotschall for the stunning decorations, to Cyndi Jarecke and Tim Warren for beautifully decorating the tree, to Alison Wagner's niece for the amazing "Cookies 'N More" sign, to all the talented bakers, candy makers, workers, for the generous cash donations. A big thanks to Kathy, Antoneea, and Mark for all the extra work they did for this event. It truly takes a village!

We will be selling pies and cookies/candy boxes Sunday after church for the reduced price of $10.

Chris Warren and Katie Claus