

INTO OUR NEW CENTURY IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST

FEDERATED NEWS

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**FEDERATED CHURCH
HOSTS THE
2018 ECUMENICAL
THANKSGIVING
WORSHIP SERVICE
Sunday, November 18
4:00 p.m.**

Blue Christmas Worship Service

**Thursday,
December 6
at 6:30 PM**



Thursday
Worship
at 6:30 PM

Sunday Worship
at 10:00 AM

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***2018 Christmas Eve Services
at Federated Church
Monday, December 24***

5:00 p.m. Family Service

8:00 p.m. Candlelight Service



Federated Church is a
congregation of the Presbyterian
Church (USA) and the United
Church of Christ

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Children, Youth & Families

by Edward Yang



Youth Fellowship Activities

On October 14th, our youth group made a trip to Urban Air Trampoline Park in Omaha. It was the first of what I expect to be many more youth fellowship activities for our group.

Soon after morning worship, youth gathered in the Fellowship Hall for lunch with pizza, chips and lemonade. Adult leaders (Brenda Sand, Sunnie Yang and I) drove 18 youth and children to Omaha. On the unexpectedly snowy day, we drove by several cars lying in the highway ditch. It seemed like the snow was getting worse as we were getting closer to Omaha. Thankfully, we got to Urban Air safely - so that we could participate in activities that would not be

described as "safe."

Indoor trampoline parks are geared toward young people that enjoy physical challenges while willing to take risks with getting hurt.



Upcoming Events

Dec 2

Youth Fellowship Activity

Bowling!!!

Dec 16

Christmas Pageant

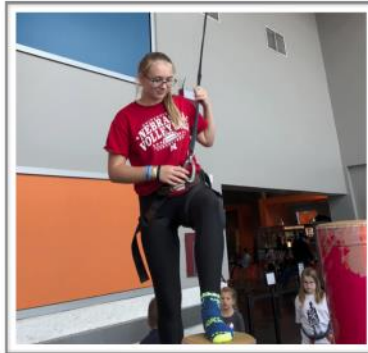
with children performing in Sunday worship. Event organized by Children's Ministry Staff & Christian Educ. Committee

Dec 16 All

Church Caroling

- share the gift of joy and music with homebound members. Organized by Youth Ministry Committee

There were numerous things to do at Urban Air: jumping on wall-to-wall trampolines, playing dodgeball, trying to complete a “Ninja Warrior” obstacle course, walking through a ropes course, and climbing walls. Most of the photos here are from the climbing walls - pictures from the other activities came out too blurry.



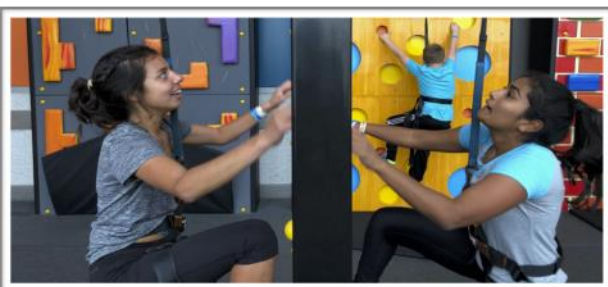
On the previous page, there are photos of confirmands (upper left), high schoolers (upper right) and Mark Garcia Lopez (bottom left). On this page, there are photos of Tessa “Jo”



Klevemann (upper right), Ryland Prokopec (middle left), Beatriz Garcia Lopez with Meera Lange (bottom left) and Annie Lange (bottom right).

Ecclesiastes 12:1 begins with the words: “Remember your creator in the days of your youth...” For us as a church, we need to ask what kind of memory are we forming in our young people. How will they

remember God as their Creator - and the church as the people of God? With our youth fellowship activities, I hope our young people will have fond memories of Federated Church. They might remember church as where they had fun with loving friends and caring adults. In turn, they might remember God as the One who provided for those people and experiences.



Poinsettias

Once again it is time to order poinsettias to decorate our sanctuary during the Christmas season. IN A CHANGE FROM PAST YEARS , plants remaining in the sanctuary after the Christmas Eve services will be placed in Fellowship Hall. Anyone attending the Christmas Dinner may take one to brighten their home or to deliver to others.

Order forms will be available in the weekly bulletin through December 7th.

As in past years, donations will be acknowledged in the bulletin insert on Christmas Eve.

Plants purchased elsewhere are welcome. Please label your plant with your name if you wish to collect it after the service. Labels will not be placed on plants by the church staff.

After the Christmas Eve service, you may:

- leave a plant for the Christmas Dinner or
- select a plant similar to the one you ordered to bring home - or pick up the plant you brought that is labeled with your name

Thank you in advance for plant donations that brighten our sanctuary during the holidays.

Order of St. Andrew

Funeral Committee Information

Funeral Committee 2: Co-Chairpersons: John & Deb Curry, Steve & Marcia Dewald, Larry & Sue Mares, Guy & Linda Wheatley

Members: Diane Barbarglia, Liz Boettcher, Gary & Dana Brandt, Jane Crister, JoAnn Dowd, Mimi Ernst, Jose & Trinidad Garcia, Jeff & Tami Gotschall, Gene & Cola Hahn, Fonda Hanks, Whit Hanner, Cindy Hoadley, Terry & Andree Hoeman, Leroy & Brenda Kallweit, Ron & Charlotte Lambert, Herman & Beryldean Lauterbach, Ruth Lind, John Lohr, John & Julie McClure, Kevin & Mary Meyer, Bryon & Peg Meyer, Diane Scheffler, Donna Shreve, Kim Swierczek, Clark & Lori Smith, Joe & Marilyn Srb, Paula & Rebecca Timperley, Jeremy West, Doug & Randi Williams, Drew & Kristi Wolfe, Gail Wurdeman



The following items are requested for the Center:

Outreach/Special Events:

- Pass out pamphlets in our service area (Boone, Butler, Colfax, Nance, Platte & Polk counties).
- Assist in decorating, planning and set up/clean up for various events including Summer Sizzle, Domestic Violence Vigil, Annual Meeting, etc.
- **Mailings** - Assist in printing, folding, addressing and mailing quarterly newsletters, invitations to various events, etc.
- **Grocery Shoppers** - A volunteer picks up a list from the Center and purchases items for clients that are in shelter.
- **Meals for Clients in Shelter** - Prepare meals for clients in shelter. Meals will then be delivered to the Center for the client.

For more information about how you can help, please contact:

Center for Survivors

3103 13th Street

P.O. Box 42

Columbus, NE 68602-0042

Phone: 402-564-2155

Fax: 402-563-1719

Web: www.centerforsurvivors.net

You can also find us on the following social media:

- Facebook
- Instagram @centerforsurvivors
- Twitter @CenterSurvivors

Platte County Food Pantry

Donna Epley, Director of the Platte County Food Pantry, **will speak at Federated Church on Sunday, November 30** during the **Education Hour**.

In a recent letter to area church, Ms. Epley reminded us that "the Food Pantry has fed over 2000 people each year for the past five years." Come to the Education Hour on **November 30th** to learn about the Food Pantry's outreach to the wider community!

Requested items include: Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, Tuna, Macaroni & Cheese, All Soups, Spaghetti Sauce, Jell-O, Canned Vegetables, Cereal, Ramen Noodles, Pancake Mixes, Bar Soap, Applesauce, Canned Pasta, Diced Tomatoes, Dry Pasta, Canned Fruit, Tomato Sauce, Pudding, Saltine Crackers, Jelly, Peanut Butter, Pancake Syrup, Toilet Paper

Platte Valley Humane Society

The Platte Valley Humane Society has a donation receptacle in the northwest entrance of the Federated Church. Requested items are:

November: Postage Stamps, Wal-Mart & Menards Gift Cards

December: Kodak #30 Ink Cartridges Black & Color, Copy Paper



Columbus Rescue Mission Meal Schedule

10/12: Nila Novotny & Kathy Shemek

11/9: Marilyn & Ben Vrana

and Mike & Sharyn Beard

12/14: Pastor Edward & Confirmation Class



OPERATION EDUCATION



Something exciting is happening in our quest to reach out to one another globally. It's called OPERATION EDUCATION, and it is inspired by children in Kenya. The poverty level is so extreme in Nairobi that unless school fees can be paid, the children will not be allowed to go to school. If they can't go to school, the cycle of poverty will continue. Education is help, hope and possibility.

The children in the pictures are just a few of the many children who cannot go to school. Most are orphaned or live with one parent or relative who cannot provide for the needs of the family. Would you like to help?

Another mission trip to Kenya is in the works for 2019, and you can go meet these very children! They are all from one church, a tin shack that is filled with the spirit.

Matthew 25:45 "He will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.'

If you would like to help with this ministry, there is a donation box in the Narthex or you may put it in the collection plate marked "Operation Education." Thank you!



This is Tiffany. Her mom is single and never went to school. Tiffany has been chased out of school due to lack of school fees.



Sizla lives in the slums. His parents abandoned him and he lives with an aunt who cannot provide for him so that he can go to school.



Bredcoly attended church and brought his mother to Christ. He is very bright and has a good spirit. He wants to stay in school.



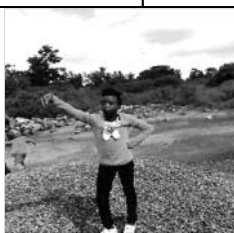
Roxy is one of four children who lives with her single mother. Her mother makes \$2 a day, which is not enough. Roxy hasn't been in school for the last year.



Beth's mother died and her father has no job. She does attend school, but may not be able to continue due to lack of funds.



Teddy lives in a slum and is being raised by a single mother. School is not a priority for her as she can only barely afford food and shelter.



Witney's mother died this year and was taken in by an aunt who has trouble feeding her own three children, let alone one more. Witney is very bright and obedient.

November 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11 9:00am Sunday School 9:00am Adult Bible Education 10:00am Worship Service 11:00am Youth Ministries Committee Meeting 3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship	12 7:00pm Scouts Troop 212	13 7:00am Tuesday Morning Book Discussion Group 8:00am Bible Study with Rev. Annika 9:00am Cookies N' More Setup 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Circle 4 Meeting 7:30pm Youth Club Tutoring at Emerson School 6:00pm Consonaires 6:30pm Christian Education Committee Meeting	14 9:30am Circle 1 Meeting 11:30am OSA Prayer 5:00pm Cookies N' More 6:30pm Thursday Worship Service	15 11:30am OSA Prayer Chain Meeting 5:00pm Cookies N' More 6:30pm Thursday Worship Service	16 11:30am OSA Prayer Chain Meeting 6:00pm Latino Prayer Service	17 11:30am OSA Prayer Chain Meeting
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Women's Fellowship Circles



Circle 1: Co-leaders:

Sharyn Beard 402-606-4244

Jean Royer 402-564-8012

Circle 1 9:30 A.M. Meetings for 2018

Nov. 14: Hostess: Sharon Kuncel
Lesson: Anita Hahn
(Please note, 2nd Weds.!!)

Dec. 19: Traditions: Charlotte Lambert
Lesson: Anita Hahn

Women's Fellowship Restructuring Committee

Sue McClure
Rogalyn Stevens
Joie Taylor
Linda Wheatley

B-I-N-G-O

Ladies: We are seeking names of who would like to be called IF and WHEN additional help is needed on 4th Wednesdays (2:00 - 3:00) Bingo. It would not be an every month call, but a 'just in case'. Prizes are always provided by the circles. The sign-up sheet is in the sanctuary. *Thanks for your help, PW Women*

Cookies 'N More

****Delivering your Cookies, candy, etc. to the Church:**

Wednesday Nov. 14th – 3:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M.

Thursday Nov 15th – 8:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.

We will be receiving Cookies, Bars and Candy in the Fellowship Hall. A receiving table

will be set up, so please do not place boxes in the kitchen.

Please have your cookie boxes covered with foil and labeled with your name and the name of the cookies on top.

Bars and candy should not be cut, but labeled with your name and the name of the bar or candy.

If you want your container back, you will find it on the Northeast kitchen counter.

*****Purchasing Cookies, Bars, and Candy:***

*****Federated will be hosting the "COOKIES 'N MORE" project for the Community on November 15, 2018 from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Cookies, bars, and candies will be for sale at that time, for the Community, Federated workers and Federated members. Please support this project by encouraging your friends and neighbors to ATTEND this sweet event and PURCHASE delicious baked cookies and candies.***

*****If you would like to show your support with a monetary donation, please submit your cash or check to Women's Fellowship and include the notation "Cookies 'N More" on your envelope or check. This can be given or sent to Alison Wagner or Paula Lange.***

Thank you for your generosity!

Upcoming Special Events at Federated

November 22

No Thursday Service

Church Office Closed Nov. 22 & 23

Sunday, December 2

First Sunday Advent and Youth Activity

Thursday, December 6

Blue Christmas Service - 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 16

10 a.m. Christmas Pageant with Children

All-Church Caroling following Worship Service

Organ Addition - Trumpet and Wind Chest

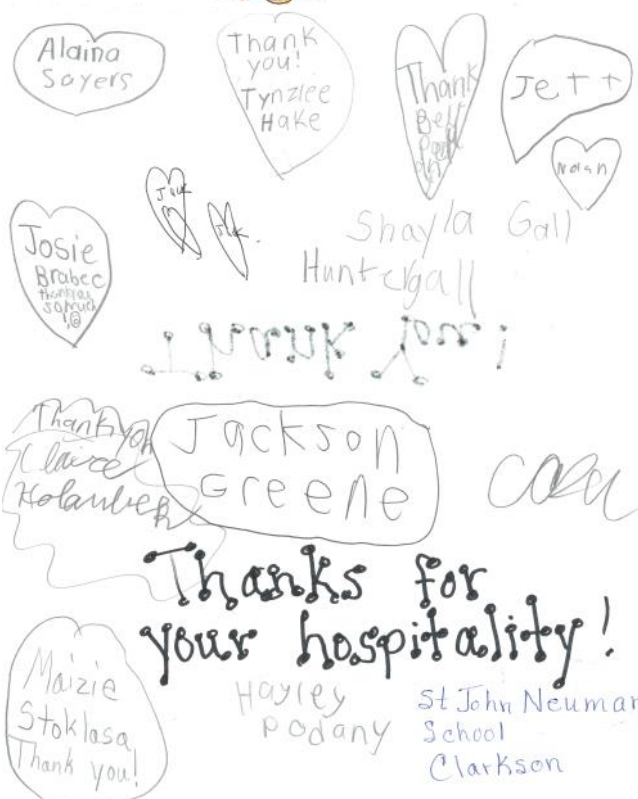
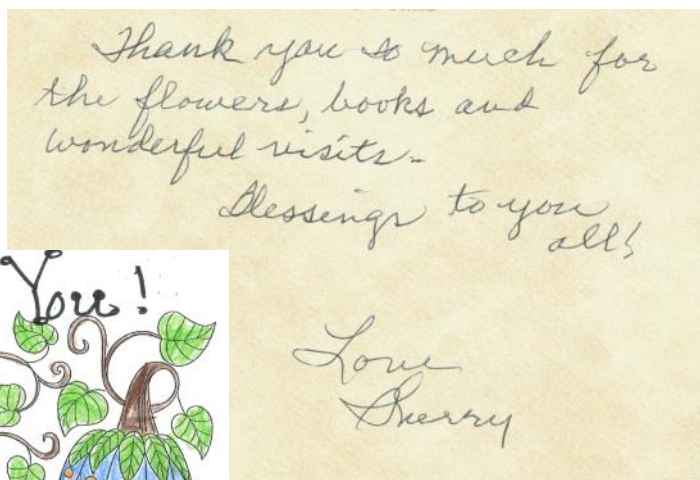
Doug Funston of Mid-States Pipe and Organ, successfully installed the Trumpet and Wind Chest for our organ last month. Funds were from Designated and Memorials, as well as a few anonymous donors.



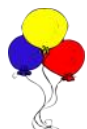
Nursery Attendant Needed

Church Nursery Attendant Needed to care for children ages 0-3 on Sunday mornings. Please contact Rev. Edward edward@federatedcolumbus.org (402) 564-2812 with questions and send resumes Attn: Rev. Edward to Federated's P.O. Box 564, Columbus, NE 68602 More information on the church webpage: <http://federatedcolumbus.org/wp-content/uploads/Federated-Church-Nursery-Attendant-Job-Posting.pdf>

Thank you note from Sherry Miller which includes her new address. Please call the church office for the address.



St. John Nuemann School from Clarkson had a field trip to Columbus in October, and although we had other events going on, these kids were more than welcome to sit and eat lunch (and play!) in the gym. They even cleaned up the gym afterwards!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Gunnar Wolfe, Peggy Tanner	11/17
Rylan Carstens	11/19
Diana Barbaglia, Coley Kiser	11/22
Nell Burnham, Megan Kallweit, Amber Mohr	11/23
Anita Hahn	11/24
Dana Brandt, Amy Moore	11/25
Neil Jensen, Toby Sand, Deanna Scheidegger	11/26
Rita Mae Fuhr, Jane Hopp	11/27
Gary Brandt	11/30
Daniel Eschliman, Grant Gotschall, Connie Hickey	12/1
John Curry, Malynn Knoepfle-Slivoski, Brenda Sand	12/2
LaRene Busler, Joan Specht	12/3
Julie Graham	12/4
Melanie Knoepfle, Jacob Mohr	12/5
Kathleen Lohr, Ryland Prokopec	12/6
Ethan Scheffler, Christine Warren	12/7
Kay Castner	12/12
Randy Kaspar	12/13
Nancy Hegi	12/14
Kaylee Dewald	12/15

Don't see your birthday in our list above? Find an error?
Contact the church office and let us know!

Federated Church Finance-at-a-Glance

Recap of financial transactions for October 2018

The following information is a brief description of transactions for the previously completed month. Complete records are available in the church office upon request.

Income - October 2018

Contributions, Etc.:

Current Year	\$21,293.17
Future Year Transfer	\$13,663.05
Memorials	\$580.00

Designated Funds (Savings):

Doane College	\$50.00
Ghana Partnership	\$100.00
Youth Mission Trip	\$700.00
Youth Fund	\$130.45
Operation Education	\$347.31
Tuesday Morning Book Discussion	\$47.00
Disaster Relief	\$70.00
Helping Hands - Non-Members	\$1,000.00

Interest Income:

Memorial	\$2.92
Checking	\$0.69
Savings	\$39.85

Expenses - October 2018

General Expenditures (Annual Budget):

Committee, Administration, Church Staff, Utilities/Facility Expenses	\$31,664.71
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Designated Funds (Savings):

Building Maintenance (Sidewalk repair)	\$891.00
Piano/Organ (Organ Trumpet)	\$5,100.00
Helping Hand - Non-Member	\$400.00

Checking Account Balance Ending September 30, 2018: \$14,253.84

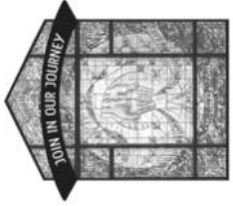
Savings Account Balance Ending September 30, 2018: \$74,071.54

Memorial Account Balance Ending September 30, 2018: \$33,572.06

Checking Account Balance Ending October 31, 2018: \$29,118.04

Savings Account Balance Ending October 31, 2018: \$63,897.64

Memorial Account Balance Ending October 31, 2018: \$30,054.98



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