



# FEDERATED NEWSLETTER

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## Upcoming Events

- ◆ October 6: World Communion Sunday, Hymn Sing Service, Fed @ Fed
- ◆ October 12: Men's Fellowship Breakfast, "Is Your Car Ready for Winter?" 10am - 12pm
- ◆ October 15: Caregiver Support Group
- ◆ October 20: Children's Sabbath, Sunday Funday
  - ◆ October 24: Trunk or Treat, 5pm
- ◆ October 27: Fall Congregational Meeting 11am

## PASTOR'S REPORT

There are a couple new ministry activities that I would like to share: First is a service project organized by our Men's Fellowship Breakfast group, titled "Is Your Car Ready for Winter?" Since the men's group often talked about cars, it seemed like a natural fit to help others with this knowledge. I learned about another church that had a service project to help people get their car ready for winter. Now with the chilly season around the corner, we are inviting people to bring their car to the church (south) parking lot on October 12 (Saturday), 10am - 12noon. We will check vehicle fluids, fill up winter wiper fluid, provide information on winter preparedness and for the first 25 people, give out mini ice scrapers. All services will be free of charge. Please invite anyone you know who would benefit from this service (including yourself). We can also utilize help from fellow car aficionados.

Another activity starting in October will be a monthly caregiver support group meeting. With the backing of our Order of St. Andrew deacons, I would like to invite church members who are providing care for their spouse. We would meet to discuss self-care, share resources and support one another. The first meeting is scheduled for October 15 (Tuesday), 1:30-3:00pm in the church library. If you are interested in attending or would like more information, please feel free to contact me or the church office. I hope this monthly support group can be a way for us to live out the following Scripture: "Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep." (Romans 12:15)

With these new ministry activities, we have opportunities to serve our community and congregation. If you have other thoughts for how we can share God's love, please let me know. I'm always open to new ideas.

Grace and peace,  
Edward



**FEDERATED CHURCH**

Men's Fellowship wants to help you

# Is Your Car Ready for Winter?



October 12  
from 10am to Noon  
2704 15th Street  
Come to the south parking lot

*Ed Hour Kick-Off*

We celebrated the return of Education Hour on September 8<sup>th</sup>, with special guest Horn T Zoo. We had so much fun experiencing God’s amazing creation!



*Calendar of Events*

10/6  
Fed @ Fed (9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
4 pm - Fellowship Hall

10/19 or 10/20  
Sunday Funday (5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
Pumpkin Patch Trip  
Details TBD

10/20  
Children’s Sabbath  
Service Project during Ed Hour

10/24  
Trunk-o-Treat  
5-7 pm - South Parking Lot

11/3  
Fed @ Fed (9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
4 pm - Fellowship Hall

11/17  
Sunday Funday (5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
Cookie Baking  
11 am – 2 pm - Fellowship Hall

12/1 (9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
Fed @ Fed  
4 pm - Fellowship Hall

12/14  
Christmas Pageant Practice  
10 am – Sanctuary

12/15  
Christmas Pageant  
9 am Practice During Ed Hour  
10 am Performance during Worship

12/15  
Sunday Funday (5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
Christmas Party  
11 am – 2 pm – Fellowship Hall



## GOVERNING COUNCIL MONTHLY REPORT

Governing Council met Tuesday September 24, 2024 @ 7:00 P.M.

Meeting Highlights include:

- August, financials were presented and received.
- August GC meeting minutes and September Committee Reports were received.
- Vacation time of December 26-31 for Rev. Edward Yang was approved.
- Absentee voting for the Congregational Meeting October 27<sup>th</sup> was approved.
- The Slate of Officers for 2025 was approved.
- Cookies 'N More event on Thursday November 21, 2024 was approved.
- Caregivers support group to begin Tuesday October 15<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 – 3:00 P.M.
- Men's Fellowship Service Project "Winterizing your Car" for free, October 12<sup>th</sup> in the South parking lot beginning at 10:00 A.M.
- October 27<sup>th</sup> - Congregational Meeting; Memorial Tree Dedication after meeting.
- Governing Council's next meeting will be October 22nd at 7:00 P.M. in Room CE 8.

Alison Wagner, Church President

## FUNERAL COMMITTEE 4

Co-Chairs: Steve & Sue McClure, Sharon Kuncl, Brenda Sand, Rod & Cindee Wachter  
Committee Members will be contacted by the Co-Chairs.

## USHERS/LITURGISTS & ATTENDANCE REPORT SEPTEMBER 2024

**Ushers:** Georgia Behlen, Wayne McCormick, Bill Royer

**Youth Ushers:** Meredith Gaeth, Hudson Luedtke

**Liturgists:** Brenda Sand, Nicole Miller, Katie Claus, Anjel Garcia Lopez

**Average Attendance:**

Thursday Service: 15

Sunday Service: 100

Online: 167

Weekly Attendance: 283

## JOYS & CONCERNS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

◆ We rejoice with the Hahn family with the wedding of Connor Hahn and Bethany Magg on August 24, 2024. Connor is son of Gene & Cola Hahn and grandson of John & Anita Hahn.

◆ Please pray for the family of Milo Kocourek, brother-in-law to John & Katie Claus. Milo passed away on August 27, 2024.

◆ Please pray for the family of Dean Gaeth, father of Sid Gaeth. Dean passed away on August 27, 2024.

◆ Pray for the family of Lloyd Castner. Lloyd passed away on August 31, 2024.

◆ Pray for Ron Novak, he was recently diagnosed with cancer.

◆ Pray for the family of Arlene Fleischer. Arlene passed away on September 12, 2024. Memorial Service is scheduled for October 26, 2024.

### ◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Nebraska City**

The congregation of First Presbyterian Church in Nebraska City continues to be active. Our attendance this past summer actually held steady and did not drop as it often does in the summertime. Praise God for that! We are proud of our contributions to the local food pantry and our support of the work of the ministerial association. We ask for prayers for continued vitality and for the new year of our Sunday School. We also ask for prayers for our music program and choirs. Thank you!

### ◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Niobrara Verdel**

Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Niobrara Verdel congregation. May they continue to grow as a caring and nurturing Christian community, as well as individuals, focusing on prayer, Bible study and worship.

### ◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Norfolk**

First PC, Norfolk is involved in a number of local and ecumenical ministries that include youth. We also continue a long-time mission interest in Malawi, supporting 3 different missions in the country: Norfolk Schools, Malawi, a private Christian school founded by one of our members, Joe Mtika; the ministry of Tyler and Rochelle Holms, who are building a capability for Malawians to drill their own water wells; and a sister church relationship with the Kaphuta Church in Mzimba. Prayers for the health of the church as a whole and our youth ministries in particular would be very much welcome.

### ◆ **Homestead Presbytery: North Bend**

Our church could use prayers for a new ministry that we began in September. We are beginning a Christian Singles Group for people between the ages of 30 and 45. It will include a once-a-month Bible study, potluck dinners, going bowling, playing games, a service project, and more. This age group consists of people who are largely forgotten because of the erroneous assumption that all people that age are married. Please pray for the success of this ministry and its outreach to the lonely and alone. Beginning September 8th, it will be held every Sunday evening from 6 to 8 pm at the United Presbyterian Church in North Bend.

### ◆ **Homestead Presbytery: Palmyra**

We praise God for his many blessings in our community of faith. We ask for his active presence among us and that he would empower us by his Spirit to be the bearers of his peace in a world and time when peace

## JOYS & CONCERNS FOR AUGUST 2024

seems in short supply. May our Lord help us to act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly in this life, all to his glory.

◆ **UCC Living Waters Association:**

- **Pierce UCC, 68767**
- **Plainview First Congregational UCC, 68796**

- **Ralston UCC, 68127**
- **Scribner First Congregational UCC, 68057**
- **Stanton New England Congregational UCC, 68779**

## S.A.L.T. ADULT SUNDAY CLASS



“Study and Learn Together”

Who: All Adults!

When: 8:45 a.m. (So choir members can come!)

Where: Education Center Room 4

Fun facts about salt:

\* Salt was once used as currency. During the Roman Empire and the Middle Ages, salt was a valuable commodity because it could preserve food. People would use salt as a method of trade and currency and would lick salt blocks to make sure they were real.

\* Pouring salt into shoes and letting it sit overnight can help absorb excess moisture and odors.

\* Sleep: Salt is a natural hypnotic that can help regulate sleep

If you think that information is interesting, just wait till you come to class!

Our structure is: one week we show an interesting video followed by discussion; the next week we discuss current news events (no political discussion, though!) and how these events relate to the Bible.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME! COME JOIN US EVERY SUNDAY!

Meet in the EC4.

Coffee and goodies provided.



## COLUMBUS RESCUE MISSION

The Columbus Rescue Mission is located at the old Mory's Haven building. Federated has provided meals once a month to the mission for a long time, the second Friday of the month. I recently visited with Chaplain Dave Porter, who has been at the mission for nineteen years, to clarify some information and to answer questions that people may have.

At the present time there are no facilities for women/families but this area is under construction. When completed, the Rescue Mission can house up to 75 people.

Residents living in the mission have three weeks to find a job, and they may then stay for three months so that they can save money and honor deadlines. There are currently 2000 jobs available in Platte county. Residents are required to attend church weekly, to stay sober, to respect each other and treat each other with dignity and care.

While most of the residents are short term, there is a NEW LIFE program in which guests can stay up to a year. This is similar to a rehab program. The goal of this program, as well as all the other programs at the mission is to give the gospel, employment, and independent living.

The number of meals asked for is always twenty five. Dave Porter explained that even though there are not always that number in residence, that amount of food is used for lunches the next day, and also since people come in off the street for meals, the mission is never sure of the number to be fed on any given day.

Eighty percent of the meals are brought in by churches and other organizations. I asked if there were any foods that were preferred, and Chaplain Porter said that anything is welcome. I also asked if they often had dessert, and he said 80% of the time they do. Volunteers often bring in milk, and coffee is always welcome. The folks in the NEW LIFE program help prepare the food and clean up.

This year, our Social Concerns and Missions committee is suggesting that instead of partnering with the person/persons you normally partner with to take a meal to the Rescue Mission, how about asking someone else to help you with this? Two or three people can get together, divide up the meal, and therefore involve new people who may be hesitant to bring a meal for 25 people! Working together is always a good way to develop friendships or strengthen existing friendships.

The Rescue mission does not give up on people. Chaplain Dave Porter said that their programs allow people to see there is a different way, with the grace of God. Federated Church is a part of this important ministry.

Katie Claus, Chair of Social Concerns & Missions Committee

## SOCIAL CONCERNS & MISSIONS COMMITTEE COLLECTIONS & EVENTS

In October, November and December we are collecting NEW mittens, scarves, gloves, socks and hats for the Angel Tree. There is a box for these items in the north entry off the parking lot. Thank you in advance for your help.

### Social Concerns and Missions Committee

*"The Son of Man did **not** come to be served, but to serve," Matthew 20 : 28*

## MEMBERSHIP & GROWTH SMALL GROUPS

Do you enjoy concerts, plays, or any upcoming arts and events in Columbus?  
However do you stay home because you do not want to attend alone  
and would rather go with others?

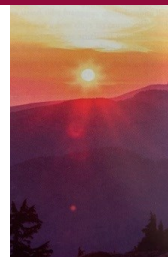
Here is your chance to go with others. The Membership and Growth Committee is getting a group of people together to attend these events.

If you are interested, please contact Ruth Lind and leave your name, phone number and email address. I will add your name or names to the list and will contact you when the next event comes up. If there is something you would like to see or attend, please give us your ideas.

Please contact the church office if you need Ruth's contact information.

## THESE DAYS FOURTH QUARTER 2024

These Days for the 4th quarter of 2024 is now available in the Narthex and office.





## PLATTE COUNTY FOOD PANTRY

The Platte County Food Pantry, located at 3020 18th Street in Suite 13 (Old Hospital).

If you are in need of assistance, you can call at 402-563-4544. Some donation suggestions are: canned and boxed foods: soup, macaroni and cheese, ramen noodles, pasta and pasta sauce, veggies and fruits; staple food items: peanut butter, jelly, pancake syrup, crackers, tuna, rice, flour, sugar.

This is not an all inclusive list, any non-perishable food items are needed.

***It is noted that the shopping cart for the Food Pantry has been empty for the past few weeks. This, too, is an important part of Federated's outreach. Especially needed are canned fruits and vegetables.***



## MEALS ON WHEELS



Make sure to sign up for 2025 Meals on Wheels Schedule! We have volunteers for the remainder of 2024. Thank you.

Please contact Kathy Leischner if you can deliver for approximately one hour each day during Federated's scheduled week!

## FEDERATED CHURCH'S HELPING HANDS FUNDS



Did you know... "In the spring of 1975 Federated Church hosted and helped organize the Helping Hands Organization of Columbus..."<sup>1</sup> This gathering collaborated the efforts of a number of community groups and created low-cost housing, as well as a number of other wonderful outreaches to our community. This is where our "Helping Hands" funds were started!

For the year of 2024, we have received donations equaling \$1,890.00!

As of August 31st, we have helped sixteen people with fuel, one member with food, one person with rental assistance, one member with an anxiety vest, and donated \$350 to the Brian Marker Benefit that was held in January, for a total of \$828.92.

<sup>1</sup> Excerpt from 'In Ministry Together; Federated Church - A Centennial History; July 2, 1014 - July 2, 2014'; pg. 38-39

## MISSION HEART, INC.



Mission Heart, Inc. is located at 412 "G" Street in Central City.  
Some donation suggestions include:  
Clothing items, Linens, School supplies, & Baby items,  
For more information, go to: [missionheartworld.weebly.com](http://missionheartworld.weebly.com)

## CENTER FOR SURVIVORS

The Center's needs often change due to shortages or surpluses of certain items.  
Please call ahead if you have questions regarding needs, 402-564-2155.  
At this time, the Center is in need and accepting donations for the following NEW personal hygiene products: shampoo, conditioner, liquid body wash, deodorant, makeup removing wipes, facial tissues, toilet paper, and paper towels.



## KEEP COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL



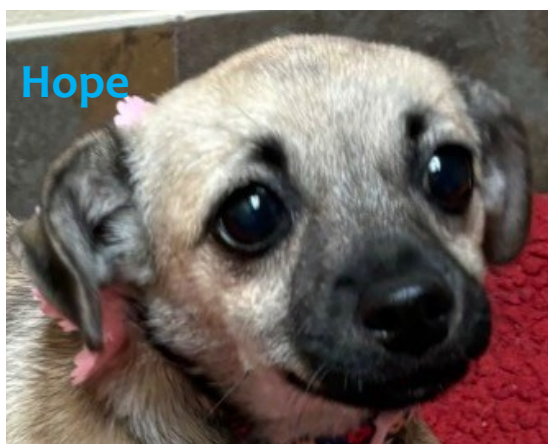
Keep Columbus Beautiful is an affiliate of  
Keep America Beautiful.  
To find out more information  
go to <https://kcbne.com>

## ERNA R. BADSTIEBER PAWS & CLAWS ADOPTION CENTER

Paws & Claws Adoption Center (The Platte Valley Humane Society) is located at 2124 13th Street. The hours are Monday through Friday, Noon to 4:30pm, and Saturdays Noon to 3:30pm.

You can call 402-562-5683 to meet your future pet! Regular needs include: Clorox, Pine Sol, Paper Towels, Old Linens, Stamps, Copy Paper, Gift Cards from Grocery, Hardware and Farm Stores.

They have a number of animals available, go to <https://www.pawsandclawsne.org!>



# October Birthdays

Renee Norris	10/01	Ruth Lind	10/19
Brianna Brockhaus	10/2	Linda Wheatley	10/22
Sue McClure	10/09	Jenna Mares	10/23
Ron Lambert, Steve McClure, Ellie Micek	10/11	Mark Hegi	10/26
Pat Anderson, Alex Garcia Lopez, Allie Gottschall	10/12	Margaret Trew	10/30
Stephanie Johnson	10/15	Diana Gartrell	10/31
Steve DeWald, Sharon Kuncl, Tim Rathje	10/18	<p><b>If you see a mistake or missing information on the birthday list, call the church office so we can update our records.</b></p>	



*Happy Anniversary!*

Tom & Tammy Hempstead  
October 21, 1989

Brian & Heidi Klevemann  
October 23, 2004

## October 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> 1:30pm Cries of the Spirit 5:30pm Consonnaires 5:30pm Girl Scout Theater Club 6:30pm Christian Education Committee Meeting 7:15pm Worship & Music Committee Meeting	<b>2</b> 10:00am Staff Meeting 4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Puppets 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	<b>3</b> 12:30pm The Basket Cases Craft Group 6:30pm Worship Service	<b>4</b> 6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> 8:45am SALT - Adult Sunday Class 9:00am Education Hour 10:00am Sunday Worship Service - World Communion Sunday 3:00pm El Buen Prayer Services 4:00pm Fed @ Fed	<b>7</b> 1:00pm Lectionary Bible Study 4:30pm Order of St. Andrew Meeting 7:00pm Scout troop 212 meeting	<b>8</b> 5:30pm Consonnaires 5:30pm Girl Scout Theater Club	<b>9</b> 10:00am Staff Meeting 4:30pm Lectionary Bible Study 6:30pm Puppets 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	<b>10</b> 6:30pm Worship Service	<b>11</b> 6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service	<b>12</b> 8:30am Men's Fellowship Breakfast 10:00am Is Your Car Ready for Winter? - South Parking Lot
<b>13</b> 8:45am SALT - Adult Sunday Class 9:00am Education Hour 10:00am Sunday Worship Service 11:15am Youth Ministry Committee Meeting 3:00pm El Buen Prayer Services	<b>14</b> 4:00pm Diamond Dancers 5:00pm Social Concerns & Missions Committee Meeting 6:30pm Membership & Growth Committee Meeting 7:00pm Scout troop 212 meeting	<b>15</b> 1:30pm Caregiver Support Group 5:30pm Consonnaires 5:30pm Girl Scout Theater Club 6:30pm Finance & Property Committee Meeting 7:00pm Personnel Committee	<b>16</b> 9:30am Circle 1 Meeting 10:00am Staff Meeting 1:00pm Circle 2 6:30pm Puppets 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	<b>17</b> 6:30pm Worship Service	<b>18</b> 6:00pm El Buen Prayer Service	<b>19</b>
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Income - August 2024		Expenses - August 2024	
<b>General Funds (Checking):</b>	<b>\$32,804.92</b>	<b>General Fund Expenses:</b>	<b>\$38,348.58</b>
Contributions	\$32,804.92	Utilities	\$2,705.61
<b>Designated Funds</b>	<b>\$1,483.47</b>	Other Budgeted Expenses	\$35,642.97
Interest Earned	\$615.47	<b>Designated Funds</b>	<b>\$2,313.66</b>
Habitat for Humanity	\$50.00	Youth Mission Trip	\$61.37
Neighbors in Need	\$50.00	Youth Fund Expense	\$107.20
Youth Fund	\$153.00	Building Maintenance	\$155.09
Building Maintenance	\$250.00	Multimedia Fund	\$1,795.31
Helping Hands - Non-	\$25.00	Helping Hands - Non-	\$40.00
Christian Education Income	\$50.00	Caring Hand - Sharing	\$154.69
VBC - money returned for	\$290.00	<b>Memorial Fund:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Memorials:</b>	<b>\$295.00</b>		
Music Dept.	\$270.00		
Sanctuary Memorials	\$25.00		

## STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2025

***This year's campaign includes weekly scriptures. The October scriptures are below:***

**Oct 6:** Then the King shall say to those at my right, Come, blessed of my Father, in the Kingdom prepared for you from the founding of the world. For I was hungry and you fed me; I was thirsty and you gave me water; I was a stranger and you invited me into your homes; name and you clothed me; sick and in prison and you visited me. *Matthew 25 : 34 - 36 (LB)*

**Oct 13:** You should carry this project to completion giving whatever you can out of whatever you have: If you are really eager to give, then it isn't important how much you have to give. God wants you to give what you have, not what you haven't. *2 Corinthians 8 : 11, 12 (LB)*

I/We thank God for the opportunity to support the ministries of this congregation.

As I/we seek to be devoted to good works and acts of charity, I/we commit to pray the same for others in our church family.

My/our financial commitment for the upcoming year is \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
per week / month / year. (Circle one)

I/we understand that I can adjust this estimate of giving at any time by contacting the office staff.

\_\_\_\_ I/we would like to speak with someone about using our gifts and talents to support our church's ministry.

\_\_\_\_ I/we would like to speak with someone about our giving plans.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_



## ORDER OF ST. ANDREW RECOGNIZES VETERANS

Order of St. Andrew will be recognizing our Veteran congregants during service on November 10 this year, the day before Veteran's Day. If you or your loved one served in any branch of our country's military, please let us know by filling out the form below or contacting the church office.

Thank you for your service and God bless!

~ Order of St. Andrew

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First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to the church office by Oct 15, 2024

Recognition in church will be Nov. 10, 2024 10am service

## 2024 COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND MEETING DAYS/TIMES

In the table below you can find the 2024 Chairperson(s) and meeting days and times for each committee. If you belong to a committee and have not heard from your chair, please contact them for information. If you do not have any contact information for them, you can call the office for assistance.

<b>Committee or Group</b>	<b>Chairperson</b>	<b>Meeting Day/Time</b>
Christian Education Committee	Pat Anderson	1st Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm
Endowment Committee	Donna Augspurger	Will meet as necessary
Finance & Property Committee	Mark Weeder	3rd Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm
Membership & Growth Committee	Nila Novotny	2nd Monday of the month, 6:30pm
Nominating Committee	Alison Wagner & Georgia Behlen	<i>To be determined</i>
Order of St. Andrew	Peg Meyer	1st Monday of the month, 4:30pm
Personnel Committee	John McPhail	3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm
Social Concerns & Missions Committee	Katie Claus	2nd Monday of the month, 5:00pm
Stewardship Committee	Georgia Behlen	Will meet as necessary
Worship & Music Committee	John Lohr	1st Tuesday of the month, 7:15pm
Youth Ministry Committee	Max Porter	2nd Sunday of the month, 11:00am
Foundation	Doug Williams, President	Quarterly/as Necessary
Governing Council	Alison Wagner, President Georgia Behlen, VP	4th Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm

**Reminder to all Chairpersons:** If, for any reason, your meeting has been postponed, rescheduled, cancelled or changed to a different day of the month or time, please contact the office staff regarding the new schedule. Thank you!

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### DECODING THE LITURGICAL COLOR SCHEME

**Green = Presence** During the majority of the church year, which is commonly called “ordinary time”, the color that you will find is green. Because the color green is so often associated with life, the use of green during the seasons and the time where there is “nothing special” going on in the life of the church (no big festivals or holiday) reminds us that God is present among us , breathing life into us and into our church.

If you have articles, events or other information you would like included in the newsletter, you can email it to [fcstaff@federatedcolumbus.org](mailto:fcstaff@federatedcolumbus.org). The deadline for submitting information for Newsletters is the 20th of the prior month, e.g. November 2024 Newsletter deadline will be October 20th, 2024.