



FEDERATED NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ♦ September 5 - Café LaFed starts back up
- ♦ September 6 - Office closed for Labor Day
- ♦ September 12 - Education Hour Kick-off & Commissioning of Teachers & Students
- ♦ September 15 - Circle 1 Meeting, Fellowship Hall
- ♦ September 19 - Commissioning of Acolytes & Youth Ushers
- ♦ September 26 - Bibles for 3 Year Olds & 3rd Graders & Youth Sunday FUNday after service
- ♦ October 2 - Memorial Service for Virginia Smith
- ♦ October 3 - World Communion Sunday

From the Pastor's Desk

Where were you on 9/11?

It is difficult to believe it has been twenty years since that shocking day. I can still remember that day vividly...

My wife and I were newlyweds and even newer residents in Vancouver, Canada. My first day of studies at Regent College was on Sept. 11, 2001. I got up early that morning to get ready and take the public bus to the University of British Columbia campus from our apartment in the Granville district. My first class that morning was a seminar on John Calvin's Institutes of the Christian Religion with professor J.I. Packer. Before instruction began, the professor prayed which would be common for a seminary class. Strangely, there was mention of a plane crash in New York City. I did not think much of it at that time.

Later that morning, there was a chapel service. It was surprisingly packed but maybe expected for the first week of school. There were numerous comments about what happened in NYC and other East Coast cities interspersed among the prayers. I had a fuzzy picture in my mind of what was going on. It was not until I got home that afternoon and turned on the TV that I realized what happened. There was the initial feeling of disbelief: watching the planes crash into the Twin Towers seemed like a scene from a Hollywood movie. But then watching those buildings collapse, I felt my heart sink.

Horrible destruction and loss of lives on 9/11 are unforgettable and irreplaceable. Some may wonder where was God on that day. The best answer I have found is from a prayer: "... we acknowledge, O Lord, that on that day of human carnage yours was the first heart to break." In other words, God was there when the Twin Towers were struck and collapsed, God was there when Flight 77 hit the Pentagon, and God was there when Flight 93 crashed on a field instead of the hijackers' target.

From the ashes, we learned of inspiring stories of courage. There were passengers on Flight 93 who valiantly prevented further death and destruction. There were first responders who bravely ran toward damaged buildings while others were fleeing. These courageous deeds were followed by countless acts of mercy as people worked together to rebuild.

Each year around 9/11, I think back to the events of that day. I also consider what has happened since that time, like the birth of our children. I have even wondered where I will be in the future on particular anniversaries. On this 20th anniversary of a day marked by sorrow as well as hope, I am thankful to be here and serving as your pastor.

Grace and peace,
Edward Yang

SALT ON SUNDAY

Something
NEW!

(Formerly called Adult Sunday School)

What does SALT ON SUNDAY mean?

"Sharing and Learning Together"

New time---starts at 8:45!

The classes are a mix of video and discussion sessions—topics relevant to today such as:

"More and more young adults have opted out of Christianity and the church. The reason? Christians.

If God is all powerful, and if each one of us is a beloved child of God, then how can God allow tragedy and suffering to infest his creation?

Follow the journeys of Paul, beginning with his dramatic conversion, as he spread the Gospel through modern-day Greece and Turkey. Travel to the early church sites and explore Paul's conversations with the Romans, Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Thessalonians.

Also: Characters of the Bible, Prophets, Women of the Bible, etc.

No prior reading is necessary nor familiarity with the Bible, Just coffee (and sometimes treats), good conversation, and friendship!

Hope to see YOU SEPTEMBER 12th at 8:45



SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK OFF

Join us for the return of Education Hour

Sunday, September 12th

9:00 am Sunday School

With special guest

HORN T ZOO!

10:00 am Worship & Teacher Commissioning

Children's Sunday School
Preschool-7th Grade
Room EC 7

New Curriculum – Whirl!



Bible centered themes and stories which are relevant to kid's lives.

Connect older and younger kids with a “buddy” system and curriculum designed for multiage classrooms featuring built-in opportunities for older kids to mentor younger kids.

Videos feature animated characters that model what it's like for kids to go through the questions and challenges of living out faith.

Extend learning from church to home with learner leaflets that offer suggestions for families to live out their faith throughout each week.



Confirmation Class

8th Grade

Confirmation Room Upper Level

Confirmation Students will continue with the CoLABorate confirmation curriculum focusing on the Old Testament. Students will also participate in service projects, fundraisers and engage with their mentors.

*High School Sunday School
9th – 12th Grade
High School Room Upper Level*



Students will be viewing and discussing the Chosen, created by Dallas Jenkins. The Chosen is the first multi-season series about the life of Jesus, and season one was the highest crowd-funded TV series or film project of all time. The intention of the series is not only to dig deeper into the people who encountered Jesus and to see Jesus through the eyes of those who met him, but also to show him in a way that is more personal, intimate, immediate.

The first season introduces Jesus and the calling of his initial disciples. The second season focuses on the beginning of his public ministry and what happens as word of his ministry begins to spread.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

9/12

Horn T Zoo during Ed Hour

Teacher Commissioning during Worship

9/19

Commissioning of Youth Acolytes/Ushers during Worship

9/26

Bibles for 3 year olds during Worship

9/26

Youth Sunday Funday following Worship
(Painting Project)

Material/Fabric Collection for School Bags

Homestead Presbytery will sew School Bags at their Annual Meeting next June. Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church in Lincoln is a collection point for material. They request "Kid-friendly" fabric. Each bag requires 1/2 yard. I will be going to Lincoln for an appointment the 23rd of September and plan to take my material. If anyone has some stashed away or would purchase some, I will deliver it to Good Shepherd. Please leave it at the church office by September 20th with my name on the plastic bag.

-submitted by Anita Hahn

H.I.S Puppeteers

Hello all puppeteers and all who want to be part of this experience!

Looking for people of all ages that want to be part of HIS Puppeteers.

Lots of opportunities for puppet work, costumes, puppet making, prop work, set design, musical talents, and technical assistance...



This year we will be doing some Children's Moments (during services) and a Christmas musical.

There is room for everybody! It does not take a lot of time commitment. Come check us out.

We will begin meeting on Thursdays at 6:30-7:30 pm from Aug 18-Sept 9, then adjust the practices and workshops as needed to get ready for the musical and children's moments.

Contact Julie Graham juliegraham@frontier.com or 531-218-4374 for more information.

Pastor Nominating Committee Update

This update was given by Rick Porter on August 19th before service:

The Pastor Nominating Committee has asked that I let you know that we are meeting weekly to discuss and evaluate the data sheets for Pastors who's interests/qualifications match those of Federated Church in our pursuit of a solo pastor. As of today there are about 50 pastors in the data base who match our needs. This matching process is carried out by the PCUSA and does not mean these Pastors have a direct interest in Federated church. We intend to keep you posted on our progress.

August Joys & Concerns

♦ Pray for Rebecca Timperley who is back home for long-term rehab (after a month at UNMC Hospital). Home preparations include an access ramp and a foldable electric wheel chair. She had a skin graft on Wednesday, August 18th. Please pray for healing (physical and emotional), relief from nerve pain, regeneration of leg bone, provisions for recovery, and continued strength and financial provisions.

♦ Pray for Bob Smith who is receiving long-term rehab care at Brookstone. Bob welcomes visits by our church members.

♦ Dr. Tyler Curry, son of John and Debbie Curry, has completed his residency in psychiatry, and his fellowship in child psychiatry. He has accepted a full time position as an inpatient doctor at the Boystown child and adolescent psychiatric hospital.

♦ Congratulations to Rod and Georgia Behlen who will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on August 7th!

♦ Pray for the family of Amelia (Amy) Palik, Annette Griffith's sister. Amelia passed away on August 9, services were August 12 at St. Mary's in David City.

♦ Congratulations to Linda Mohr, daughter of Don & Norma Schaufelberger. Linda became "Reverend" on August 22nd at 3pm in a virtual Rite of Ordination.

♦ Please pray for Donna Shreve who fell and hit her head. She was taken to Columbus Community hospital, stayed overnight and is back home healing.

♦ Please pray for the family of Eileen Rosekrans who passed away August 15th. Services will be at a later date.

♦ Pray for the family of Bill Neater, Joan Specht's brother and Gordon's brother-in-law. Bill passed away August 11th. A memorial service was held on August 21st in Kalispell, MT.

♦ Pray for the family of Warren Rushton, including his wife Lorelea. Warren was brother-in-law to Anita & John Hahn and passed away on August 20th.

♦ From Homestead Presbytery: **Clarkson New Zion**

Praise: Czech Days in Clarkson at the end of June was a successful festival and enjoyable to all. Thanks be to God! Prayer Requests: God's wisdom, timing, discernment, and favor will guide the PNC in their search for a called pastor, and their new pastor will be received with loving hearts and minds by the Clarkson community. Pastor Laura will have a successful hip replacement surgery with full recovery.

♦ From Homestead Presbytery: **Craig**
Praise for the 7 confirmands welcomed into our church this past spring. Praise for the 2 baptisms this month. Prayers as we attempt to resume youth group and Sunday school this fall, both of which were on break during COVID.

♦ From Homestead Presbytery: **Dunbar**
Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Dunbar congregation. May they continue to grow as a caring and nurturing Christian community, as well as individuals, focusing on prayer, Bible study and worship.

2021 Garage & Bake Sale

The Annual Garage & Bake Sale was a huge success! Thank you to all who assisted in the set up, running and tear down. It was a big event and so much help was very appreciated. Many, many thanks to **Bob Trautwein** for chairing and the numerous volunteers involved! Good job everyone! **\$7,288.75 was raised from the Garage & Bake Sale!**




Columbus Days 2021



Many thanks to the volunteers who helped with the Changing Station and the Float! Good job on getting 3rd place!



 **Columbus Days**
August 16 at 1:57 PM · 🌐

Congratulations to the winners of the 2021 Columbus Days Parade!

Business Division:

- 1st Place: [RE/MAX Total Realty Inc.](#)
- 2nd Place: [Pacific Window Tint LLC](#)
- 3rd Place: [Emerald Nursing & Rehab Columbus](#)

Non-Profit Division:

- 1st Place: [Centro Hispano Comunitario de Nebraska](#)
- 2nd Place: [Columbus Community Hospital Nebraska](#)
- 3rd Place: [Federated Church](#)

Winner of the Family Division: The Eickmeier Family



Social Concerns and Missions Committee Donations

The Social Concerns and Missions Committee is asking the congregation to participate in the monthly donations to the following agencies. There will be a box in the Narthex to collect these donations. Thank you for your help!

July-August-September

Clorox, Pine Sol and leashes to be delivered to Paws and Claws

October-November-December

Mittens, caps, socks to be put on an "Angel Tree" in the Narthex and delivered to the Rescue Mission

Submitted by Katie Claus

Meals on Wheels



The week of September 20th through the 24th will be Federated's next 'Meals on Wheels' week! Jean Royer will be coordinating drivers. Thank you for saying yes when she calls!

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.



Rescue Mission Meals for 2021

Many thanks to all the volunteers who signed up to provide meals to the Rescue Mission! We have each week filled and accounted for the remainder of the year!

Lee Augustin Resignation

After decades of service to Federated Church, our Organist, Lee Augustin, is resigning. Her last day will be August 31st. If you would like to give an appreciation (love) gift, please write 'Lee Augustin' in the memo of your check.

Thank you, Lee, for your dedication, service and sharing your beautiful and amazing talents with us for all these years! You will be truly missed! We wish you well in your new adventure of weekend events and travels!

Circle 1 Meeting

Circle One will be meeting in the Fellowship Hall on September 15th at 9:30am. Anita Hahn will be the hostess.

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, paper towels and men's deodorant.

Mission Heart, Inc.



Mission Heart, Inc. is located at 412 "G" Street in Central City. For more information, go to: missionheartworld.weebly.com

Some donation suggestions include:

Clothing items, Linens (bedding, towels, washcloths), School supplies (pencils/pens, notebooks, crayons, etc.), Baby items (furniture, cloth diapers, blankets, toys, clothes, bottles/cups/spoons, Sewing supplies

(batting, bias tape, thread & material - flannel, cotton, polyester, fleece), Medical supplies (walkers/crutches, glasses, hearing aids, braces, slings, blood pressure cuffs, wheelchairs, stethoscopes, thermometers, etc.), O.T.C. medications (chewable vitamins - adult & child, iron pills, Vitamin B6, Pre-natal vitamins, first-aid creams), Gallon-sized or Quart-sized zipping bags, Empty pill bottles, Travel-sized soaps, shampoos/conditioners & lotions

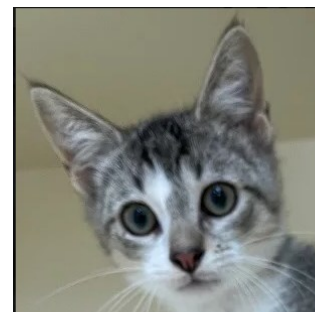
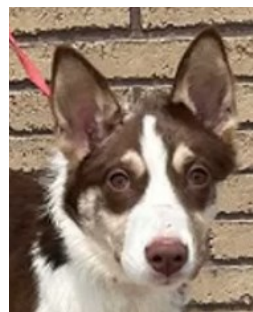
Paws & Claws Adoption Center



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: Clumping Cat Litter, Clorox, Pine Sol, Paper Towels, Old Linens, Stamps, Copy Paper, Dog & Cat Toys, Collars & Leashes, Wet Cat & Dog Food, Kitten Food and Milk Replacer, Gift Cards from Grocery, Hardware and Farm Stores.

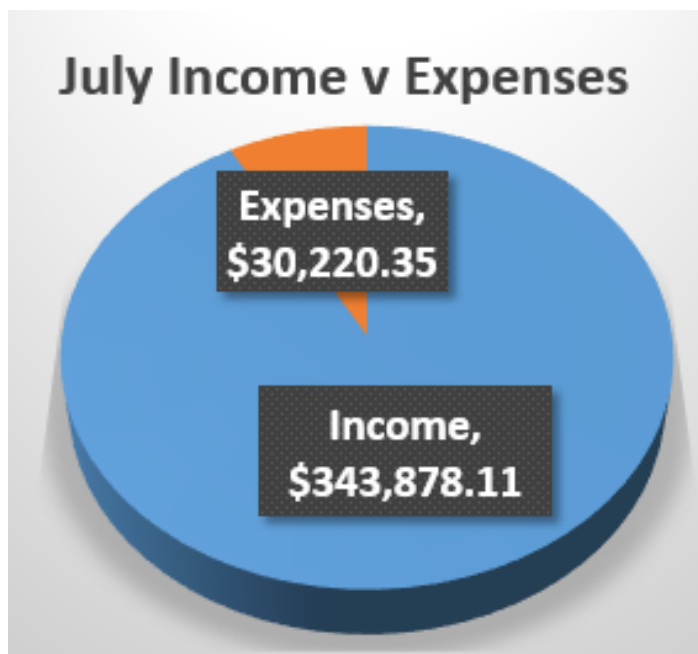
They have a number of animals available, including Chica, Lil Baby, Miley, and Jaspurr.



Finance at a Glance

Contributions - July 2021	
General Funds (Checking):	\$21,463.05
Contributions	\$20,861.50
Rent	\$400.00
Misc. Income	\$201.55
Designated Funds (Savings):	\$322,415.06
Vacation Bible Camp	\$45.00
Sunday School/ Education Hour	\$31.00
Kamp Kaleo	\$40.00
Youth Mission	\$50.00
Helping Hands - Non-Members	\$105.00
General Savings	\$322,144.06
Memorials	\$0.00
Undesignated	\$0.00
Interest Income:	\$8.39
Savings	\$8.39

Expenses - July 2021	
General Fund Expenses:	\$27,890.34
Utilities	\$2,686.26
Other Budgeted Expenses	\$24,452.53
Rent (Wedding Sound)	\$200.00
Damage Deposit Refund	\$300.00
Misc. Expenses	\$251.55
Designated Funds (Savings):	\$2,330.01
Christmas Joy	\$25.00
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$1,345.93
Doane College	\$20.00
Kamp Kaleo	\$20.00
Hastings College	\$22.00
Camp Calvin Crest	\$40.00
Ghana Partnership	\$20.00
Habitat for Humanity	\$20.00
Pentecost Offering	\$235.00
Vacation Bible Camp	\$111.86
Church Activity	\$140.00
Building Maintenance	\$51.69
Helping Hands - Non-Members	\$278.53
Memorial Fund:	\$0.00



Happy Birthday!

Deb Curry	9/2	Paula Timperley	9/11
Elsie Ita	9/3	Marian Staroscik, Calvin Wagner	9/13
Fred Wunderlich	9/4	Roland Augspurger, Matt Miller	9/17
Annette Griffith	9/5	Rachel Grisham	9/22
Reagan Gausman, Violet Graybill, Miranda Micek, John Petersen, Val Rathje, Payton Swierczek	9/10	Renee Bellum, Sunnie Yang	9/24
		Lloyd Castner	9/26
		Dave Fulton, Brinlee Klevemann	9/28

If you see a mistake or missing information on this page,
call the church office so we can update our records.

Happy Anniversary

Happy 50th Anniversary to Joseph & Diana Barbaglia!
~ Sept. 11th

Happy Belated 50th Anniversary to Rod & Georgia Behlen!
~ Aug. 7th

Congratulations!!

2021 Committee Chairs and Meeting Days/Times

In the table below you can find the 2021 Chairperson 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.

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Chairperson</i>	<i>Meeting Day/Time</i>
Christian Education	Renee Norris	2nd Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm
Endowment	<i>To be determined</i>	<i>To be determined</i>
Finance & Property	Marv Zoucha	3rd Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm
Membership & Growth	Nila Novotny	2nd Monday of the month, 6:30pm
Nominating	<i>To be determined</i>	<i>To be determined</i>
Order of St. Andrew	Laura Porter	1st Monday of the month, 5:15pm
Personnel	John McClure	3rd Tuesday of the month, 7pm
Social Concerns & Missions	Katie Claus	2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm
Stewardship	Roland Augspurger	3rd Thursday of the month, 5:30pm
Worship & Music	Alison Wagner	1st Tuesday of the month, 7:15pm
Youth Ministry	Wayne McCormick, VP	2nd Sunday of the month, 11am
Pastor Nominating Committee	Tim Warren, President	Weekly, if necessary, day and time pending
Foundation	Larry Mares, President	Quarterly
Governing Council	Tim Warren, President Wayne McCormick, 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!

SEPTEMBER 2021

1	Job 29 ☐	Job 30 ☐	Luke 23 ☐
2	Job 31 ☐	Job 32 ☐	Psalm 86 ☐
3	Job 33 ☐	Job 34 ☐	Luke 24 ☐
4	Job 35 ☐	Job 36 ☐	Philippians 1 ☐
5	Job 37 ☐	Job 38 ☐	Psalm 88 ☐
6	Job 39 ☐	Job 40 ☐	Philippians 2 ☐
7	Job 41 ☐	Job 42 ☐	Philippians 3 ☐
8	Proverbs 1 ☐	Proverbs 2 ☐	Philippians 4 ☐
9	Proverbs 3 ☐	Proverbs 4 ☐	Psalm 89 ☐
10	Proverbs 5 ☐	Proverbs 6 ☐	Colossians 1 ☐
11	Proverbs 7 ☐	Proverbs 8 ☐	Colossians 2 ☐
12	Proverbs 9 ☐	Proverbs 10 ☐	Psalm 90 ☐
13	Proverbs 11 ☐	Proverbs 12 ☐	Colossians 3 ☐
14	Proverbs 13 ☐	Proverbs 14 ☐	Colossians 4 ☐
15	Proverbs 15 ☐	Proverbs 16 ☐	1 Thessalonians 1 ☐
16	Proverbs 17 ☐	Proverbs 18 ☐	Psalm 91 ☐
17	Proverbs 19 ☐	Proverbs 20 ☐	1 Thessalonians 2 ☐
18	Proverbs 21 ☐	Proverbs 22 ☐	1 Thessalonians 3 ☐
19	Proverbs 23 ☐	Proverbs 24 ☐	Psalm 92 ☐
20	Proverbs 25 ☐	Proverbs 26 ☐	Psalm 93 ☐
21	Proverbs 27 ☐	Proverbs 28 ☐	1 Thessalonians 4 ☐
22	Proverbs 29 ☐	Proverbs 30 ☐	1 Thessalonians 5 ☐
23	Proverbs 31 ☐	Proverbs 32 ☐	2 Thessalonians 1 ☐
24	Ecclesiastes 1 ☐	Ecclesiastes 2 ☐	2 Thess. 2 ☐
25	Ecclesiastes 3 ☐	Ecclesiastes 4 ☐	2 Thessalonians 3 ☐
26	Ecclesiastes 5 ☐	Ecclesiastes 6 ☐	Psalm 95 ☐
27	Ecclesiastes 7 ☐	Ecclesiastes 8 ☐	Psalm 96 ☐
28	Ecclesiastes 9 ☐	Ecclesiastes 10 ☐	1 Timothy 1 ☐
29	Ecclesiastes 11 ☐	Ecclesiastes 12 ☐	1 Timothy 2 ☐
30	Song of S. 1 ☐	Song of S. 2 ☐	1 Timothy 3 ☐
		Psalm 97 ☐	Psalm 98 ☐

**Bible Reading Sharing & Discussion Group will meet
on September 27th at 3pm in person and online.**

Please see our weekly emails and Facebook posts for the Zoom information.

**If this day and time does not work,
please let Pastor Edward know what time works for you.**



FEDERATED CHURCH

PLEASE HELP OTHERS KEEP WARM THIS WINTER

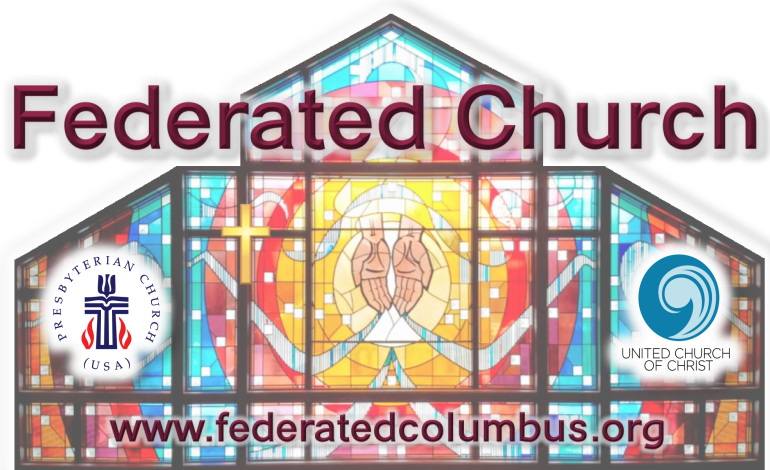
Donate new or gently used (washed) coats or jackets of any size to Federated Church to be distributed to people in need of a coat or jacket---men, women, and children.

Please bring coats and jackets to Federated Church (2704 15th St) during the hours of 8:00—4:30 weekdays or drop them off at church services. If none of those times are convenient, please contact the church office and we will arrange a time with you.

If you are in need of a coat or jacket, please stop by the north parking lot of Federated Church on Saturday, **October 9th and 16th** from **10:00—2:00**. There is no charge—just warm wishes for a cold winter!

FEDERATED CHURCH
2704 15th STREET
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September 2021 Newsletter



Car Window Clings Available!

Window clings are available in the office during work hours and in the Narthex before and after services. Goodwill offering requested to offset the price of them.

Fridge and Filing Cabinet for Sale

Church members and family:

We are offering two brown filing cabinets, one is locking & fire-safe, an avocado-green fridge and a stereo to our congregants, friends and family!

If you would like pictures or are interested in these items, contact the church office with your best offer!

If you have articles, events or other information you would like included in the newsletter, you can email it to fcstaff@federatedcolumbus.org. The deadline for submitting information for Newsletters is the 20th of the prior month, e.g. *Sept. 2021 Newsletter deadline will be August 20th, 2021.*