

FEDERATED CHURCH



Mission Statement:

*We are called to nurture a growing relationship with God
by following the example of Jesus Christ.*



Thursday, July 9th and Sunday, July 12th, 2020

Welcome to Worship at Federated!

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.

Ushers are here to help you — please ask them if you need hearing assistance devices and large print hymnals. Ushering this week are Wayne McCormick, Rick Porter and Tim Warren.

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, and on TV: Spectrum Channel 1304 (HD)
Mondays 11:55am, Saturdays 11:55am and Sundays 7:55pm.

In case of an emergency, the pastor's cell phone number is: Edward (402) 302-2812.

Governing Council 2020 - Federated Church Elders			Federated Church Clergy and Staff	
Marcia Grant, President (402-276-1428) Tim Warren, Vice President Louise Moran, Secretary			Rev. Edward Yang, Ph.D. Acting Head of Staff & Associate Pastor for CYF edward@federatedcolumbus.org	Jim Rains Office Manager jirains@federatedcolumbus.org
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Linda Wheatley	Gene Hahn	John McClure		
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Steve McClure		Alison Wagner	Lee Augustin, Organist	Bob Arp, Chancel Choir Director
Financial Administrators:	Donna Augspurger Terry Millard	Robin Lehr Terry Norris	Stuart Gausman Bell Choir Director	Lay Pastor Antonio Garcia El Buen Pastor Fellowship

JOYS & CONCERNS

- ◆ If you have any joys or concerns, please share with the congregation by informing the office.
- ◆ Pray for Calvin Wagner who is recovering from broken ribs.
- ◆ Pray for Chuck Whitney who is recovering after complications with knee replacement surgery.
- ◆ Pray for Roberta Saalfeld who is rehabbing from recent fall and surgeries.
- ◆ Pray for Sondra Burnett who finished the first series of chemotherapy with several more months of treatment for ovarian cancer
- ◆ Pray for Mary Sharpe recently fell in her home and suffered compression fractures in her back.
- ◆ Pray for Ila Mae Bush, mother of Peg & Byron Meyer, who is on hospice (comfort) care in South Dakota.

THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, July 12

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, July 13

5:15pm Order of St. Andrew, EC8

Tuesday, July 14

1:00pm Lectionary Afternoon Bible Study,
hybrid (EC8 & Zoom)

6:30pm Christian Education Committee

Wednesday, July 15

10:00am Staff Meeting

4:30pm Lectionary Evening Bible Study: Zoom

6:30pm Worship Planning Meeting

Thursday, July 16

6:30pm Thursday Worship Service, Sanctuary

7:00pm Mission Study Committee, Fellowship Hall

Friday, July 17

Saturday, July 18

Sunday, July 19

10:00am Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary

Meals on Wheels Information! Volunteers will resume delivery beginning Jul 6. **Federated will have the week of July 20-25th.** Questions, contact Renee Bellum.

33rd Annual 10/11 KOLN/KGIN "Can Care-A-Van"
Thursday, August 6th 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Location: Collecting non-perishables at the Pizza Ranch parking lot on the north side at the corner of 33rd Avenue and 23rd Street.

All donations go to the Platte County Food Pantry.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, JULY 9TH AND SUNDAY, JULY 12TH, 2020

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

PRELUDE

Allegro
God Is Here!
Lee Augustin, Organ and Piano

BOYCE
ARR. HELD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

FEASTING ON THE WORD

One: God's creation delights and astonishes.

All: Let the people pause and wonder!

One: God, the Creator, has made it all.

All: Let all creation shout and sing, Alleluia!

OPENING SONG

Blessed Be Your Name

BY MATT REDMAN

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Faithful God, your word falls on hardened ground when our worldly anxiety and attachment to wealth crowd out your place in our lives. Forgive our frail and human ways and cultivate in us a spirit of trust and faithfulness, for you are our hope for deliverance.

MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

Declaration of God's Forgiveness

One: Brothers and sisters, when deeds of iniquity overwhelm us,

All: God forgives our transgressions.

One: Be at peace, for God restores and strengthens you and waters your soul in its parched and hardened places.

All: Happy are those who come into God's courts, for we shall be satisfied with the goodness of God and rejoice in the holiness of God's temple.

PASSING THE PEACE

One: Forgiven and restored, we extend God's peace to one another.
The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Please share a sign of peace with one another.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Brenda Sand, CE Director

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Marcia Grant, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel According to Matthew 13 : 1 – 9, 18 – 23

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

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

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: "HYMN OF PROMISE" BY NATALIE SLEETH**

In the bulb, there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness,
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE 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

SPOKEN DOXOLOGY

ROGER C. LYNN

*Praise God whose breath fills all the earth; Whose love reveals our sacred worth;
Whose Spirit forms one family; Whose grace brings peace and harmony. Amen.*

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

You call us to sow your word in all times and places, even when the ground is hard and shallow. For faith is a gift that comes from you, and fruitful discipleship is the work of your Spirit in us. May the gifts we offer this day spread the good news of life abundant in Christ. Amen.

CHORAL ANTHEM

Seeds Grow to Plants
Performed on Nov. 11, 2018

BY JOHN RUTTER

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

God Be with You 'Til We Meet Again

ARR. HELD

Special thanks to Tim Rathje for recording the service and Val Rathje for running PowerPoint.