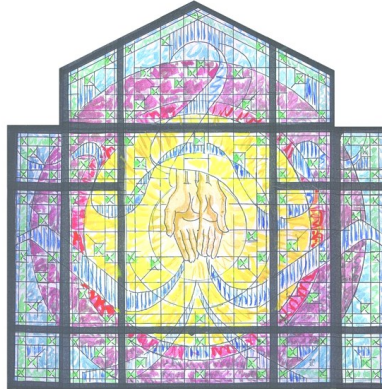


# FEDERATED CHURCH



*Into Our New Century in the Spirit of Christ*



**Thursday, September 12, and Sunday, September 15, 2019**

## **Welcome to Worship at Federated!**

If you are new to Federated, please tell us on a “Visitors Card” & in a red Friendship Folder.

**Children are welcome in worship at Federated.** Children’s Activity Bags are at the Sanctuary entrance. The Library/“Cry Room” is child friendly. Child care is available Sundays in the Nursery.

Ushers are here to help you — please ask them if you need hearing assistance devices and large print hymnals — ushering this week are Rick Porter (Thurs.), Doris Augspurger, Roland Augspurger, Sue Mares and Larry Mares.

**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.

Prayer requests can be shared on **Prayers Cards** in the pew pockets or **Prayer Chain** requests to the Church Office (402) 564-2812 to call the Order of St. Andrew. The Prayer Chain is strictly confidential.

**If you missed worship last week,** visit [www.federatedcolumbus.org](http://www.federatedcolumbus.org) for videos of worship and bulletins, and on TV at Noon on Spectrum Channel 1304 (HD) Mondays & Saturdays and Sunday at 8pm.

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

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## JOYS & CONCERNS

- ♦ If you have any joys or concerns, please share with the congregation by informing the office staff or pastor.
- ♦ From Homestead Presbytery: "At First Presbyterian Church, Beatrice, we are busy faithfully reflecting on the past, celebrating the present, and moving into the future. We are having events throughout the year as we "Reflect and Rejoice" together for our 150th anniversary which was March 17th of this year... Please pray for us as we aim to live in the present while following Jesus into a future that will grow upon our past."
- ♦ Congratulations on the birth of Axtel William Johnson, born July 19 in Holdredge, son of Dan and Lizzie Johnson. Grandparents are Guy & Linda Wheatley and Dean & Janet Johnson!
- ♦ Congratulations on the birth of Bennett Dale Hash, born August 7, son of Kenneth & Jasmine Hash. Grandparents are Rex & Kathy Hash!
- ♦ We lift up in prayer the family of John Blackburn (father of Nancy Blackburn) who passed away on Sept. 11th in Courtland, Kansas. The funeral will be held on Sept. 16th in Kansas.

## THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

### Sunday, September 15

- 9:00am Education Hour, Ed Center, Upper Room
- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship Service, Sanctuary

### Monday, September 16

- 12:00pm BIG PALS ~ LITTLE PALS, EC 8
- 5:30pm Youth Ministry Teachers Meeting, AD2

### Tuesday, September 17

- 7:00am Tues. Morning Book Group, Fellowship Hall
- 1:00pm Lectionary Afternoon Bible Study, EC 8
- 6:00pm Consonaires Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 6:30pm Finance & Property Meeting, EC 8
- 7:00pm Cub Scouts Pack 279, Fellowship Hall

### Wednesday, September 18

- 11:30am All Staff Luncheon Meeting, AD 2
- 4:30pm Lectionary Evening Bible Study, AD 2
- 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 6:30pm H.I.S. Puppet Rehearsal, EC 3/8
- 6:30pm Youth Club, Upper Room, Gym
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 7:30pm Circle 4 Meeting, Fellowship Hall

### Thursday, September 19

- 6:30pm Thursday Worship Service, Sanctuary

### Friday, September 20

- 6:00pm Latino Prayer Service, EC 6

### Saturday, September 21 No events scheduled

### Sunday, September 22

- 9:00am Education Hour, Ed Center, Upper Room
- 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship Service, Sanctuary

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, a time of prayer that is open to all, is held in our **sanctuary** from **11:30AM -12:30PM**. Whether you are new to prayer or have practiced for years, you are welcome here. If you have questions or prayer requests please contact: Church office – 402-564-2812  
Email - [fcstaff@federatedcolumbus.org](mailto:fcstaff@federatedcolumbus.org) or Barb Sanderson – 402-910-3586  
Email - [bjs.sanderson@gmail.com](mailto:bjs.sanderson@gmail.com)

### New book for the Christian Book Discussion Group

The book, "The Triumph of Christianity, how a forbidden religion swept the world" by Bart Ehrman, will be the next book to be reviewed at the Tuesday morning Christian Book Discussion. Mark your calendars to meet with us at 7:00 AM on Tuesday, September 3rd in the Fellowship Hall. In preparation, read the introduction and first chapter of the book.

**GREETERS WANTED!** Please sign-up on the sheet in the Narthex provided by the Membership & Growth Committee! Thank you!

**Autumn is in the air. The Chancel Choir has resumed its singing.** Please consider joining the choir. They meet Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 8:30 and provide special music for Sunday morning services. The third Sunday of each month is generally reserved for the Bell Choir. You can join the choir at any time. The only requirement is a sincere desire to share God's word in song.

### **NEEDED: Story Tellers for Children's Sermon**

The Christian Education Committee is asking for volunteers for the Children's Sermons to help Pastor Edward with the church service when he is preaching on Sundays. The Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex!



**DINE AT RUNZA®  
TUESDAY, SEPT 17<sup>TH</sup>**

**RUNZA® WILL DONATE  
10% OF SALES TO  
A PLACE AT THE TABLE  
BACKPACK FOOD PROGRAM.**

# WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

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

*The Prelude invites us to begin our time of worship; please take this time for silent reflection.*

PRELUDE

*Fairest Lord Jesus  
A Tune for a Trumpet  
Lee Augustin, Organ & Piano*

ARR. SWANN  
MARTIN

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS **(Please sign and pass Friendship Folders to your neighbors.)**

## \* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: As we have listened to Jesus' words of teaching and have seen the healing ministry, so we must place our trust in the call to go and serve.

**All: Lord, prepare us this day to truly be the disciples you would have us be.**

One: Help us to receive God's word and direction for our lives.

**All: Let our voices and our actions be filled with love.**

One: Let God's praise be whispered in the spirits of the people!

**All: Open our eyes, our hearts and our spirits this day, Lord. Amen**

## \*OPENING HYMN NO. 319

*Spirit (verses 1-4)*

## UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord God, your love for all of us sees failings and forgives. Your love feels pain and wipes away our tears. Your love knows grief, and comforts the sorrowful. Forgive us when we fail to live lives that reflect your love. Forgive us the many times we take for granted all that you have done for us. Transform us, through your Spirit, and empower us to serve you this day and all days. Amen**

## MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION

## DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

**All: Jesus knows all our weaknesses and loves us still. Place your trust in God's call and guidance. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen**

## CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM (SUN.)

*Here I Am, Lord  
Bob Arp, Director*

ARR. M. McDONALD

## \* PASSING THE PEACE

One: Let us celebrate God's grace by sharing a sign of peace. The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

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

## SING THE FAITH SONG NO. 2130

*The Summons (verses 1-2)*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON — COMMISSIONING OF ACOLYTES & YOUTH USHERS (SUN.)

## LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Edward Yang, Liturgist

## SCRIPTURE READING

LETTER OF PAUL TO THE PHILIPPIANS 2 : 3 - 4  
LETTER OF PAUL TO THE GALATIANS 6 : 9 - 10  
GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW 17 : 20

PEW BIBLE NEW TESTAMENT PAGE 197  
PEW BIBLE NEW TESTAMENT PAGE 191  
PEW BIBLE NEW TESTAMENT PAGE 19

## SERMON

*"Walking By Faith"*

Julie Graham and Katie Claus

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

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION

\* RESPONSIVE HYMN STF NO. 2130      *The Summons (verses 3-5)*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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

#### OFFERTORY

*Look, Ye Saints! The Sight Is Glorious*

ARR. DeCO

#### \* 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

Point us in the direction of service, Lord. Make us aware of those who need our help Let us honor and praise God with acts of loving kindness and compassion. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen

#### \* CLOSING HYMN NO. 391

*Take My Life (verses 1-4)*

#### \* BENEDICTION

#### POSTLUDE

*Praise God, Ye Christians*

BUXTEHUDE

*All are welcome to Sunday fellowship at Café LaFed, hosted by the Café LaFed Committee.*

## OPERATION EDUCATION

On November 11, we will be returning to Kenya. We would appreciate donations of small shampoo, conditioner, lotions (like the ones from hotels). Also, if you have any small or medium patterned or plain T-shirts (or shirts of a jersey material), we would welcome them. We plan to teach the children to make purses out of them. Thank you! ~Julie Graham and Katie Claus

### UPCOMING EVENTS AT FEDERATED

Sunday, September 22 - Bell Choir Commissioning; 3 year olds and 3rd Graders Bibles

Sunday, September 29 - Heritage Sunday

Sunday, October 6 - World Communion Day

Sunday, October 20 - Children's Sabbath

Sunday, October 27 - Fall Congregational Meeting

**It's time! Time to update our pictorial directory!**



Lifetouch will be photographing families  
at Federated Church on October 22 - 26.  
(Additional dates will be added if necessary)

Our goal is to have 100% participation  
- our directory won't be complete without you!  
Each family participating will receive a **free** 8 x 10,  
a **free** printed directory and a **free** electronic directory.

Families will also have the opportunity  
to purchase additional portraits.

Sign up for a photo session online at  
<https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/b1c3gdk2/>  
or sign up in person after worship services  
in the month of September.

Props, pets (within reason)  
and extended family are welcome!

If you have any questions, please contact Brenda Sand  
at 402.276.2080 or [brendajsand@gmail.com](mailto:brendajsand@gmail.com).



## 2019 SMALL GROUPS (Updated 9/8/19)

We want groups to remain small, to build communities within the congregation of people with similar interests. The frequency of gatherings can vary depending on need. Anywhere from weekly to quarterly or seasonal. In general, if groups (other than family groups) reach 16 members, they should split into 2 groups of 8 so they remain small. We will not begin any groups without enough participants to make them successful and we'll need a contact person for each group to help facilitate things. See link for updates:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1oJ76iMbzp5O3LrDeEfQExbJeW\\_WGLdbDDHbQGQ6SvJs/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1oJ76iMbzp5O3LrDeEfQExbJeW_WGLdbDDHbQGQ6SvJs/edit?usp=sharing)

**Federated Family Fellowship** Federated Family Fellowship is a small group for families with children living at home of any age. This group will meet once a month starting in September with the first activity being a hay rack ride. If you are interested in this group, please contact Brenda Sand 402.276.2080 (call or text) or email [brendajsand@gmail.com](mailto:brendajsand@gmail.com).

**Sunday Lunch Bunch** After Sunday Services for lunch. We can add other groups as needed.

1. **Runza Funza Group** - Tim & Val Rathje, Max & Ashli Porter coordinators.
2. **Stack n Steak; Take a Break Group** – Bill Royer, Marilyn Vrana coordinators
3. **ABC; All 'Bout Conversation Group** - Barb Olson, Nila Novotny coordinators - rotate restaurants alphabetically.

**Thou Shalt Not Covet Thy Neighbor's WiFi Group** Coordinator: Bob Trautwein. Meet quarterly, or as needed.

1. Smart phones
2. Notebooks/iPads
3. Laptops & desktops
4. Sell things online. This could include selling large items from the home for the church garage sale and other internet learning

**Bookworms Club** - Coordinator Nila Novotny

Meet to discuss books and recommend books to each other.

**Holy Walkamolies Group** - Coordinators Novotny, Hahn, Rathje

**The Art Connoisseurs Group** – Coordinators – Kathy Leischner, Sharon Kuncel, Nell Burnham, Concerts, museums, musician events as decided by the group.

**Movies R Us** – Coordinator Marcia Grant; meeting Sunday, September 22 for afternoon matinee followed by dinner.

**Straight Off The Couch Men's Group** - Coordinator Bob Trautwein

Men's group to volunteer in a variety of ways. Meet and discuss various needs such as Harbor of Hope Rescue Mission, Cancer Care driver, Church facility repairs or updates, etc

**Music Jam Small Group** Coordinator Annette Griffith

Play and sing as decided by the group

**Game Night** - Coordinator – None yet identified. Max Porter will supply board games on request (he has a basement full) Play board games, dominoes, Cards, etc. as decided by the group.

**Knitting baby caps or other sewing projects, Bible Study/ Christ Care/ Another Circle**

**Financial Learners** – Discuss various financial questions **Dog Walkers** – Discuss various financial questions

**Husker Fan Club** – Get together for Husker games

**Cooking Classes** – Cooks teach each other some of their great dishes and share a meal

**CIRCLE THOSE OF INTEREST TO YOU**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

eMail \_\_\_\_\_

## Federated Church Opportunities for Service

**GOVERNING COUNCIL – 3 persons elected for a three year term.** The Governing Council is the governing board of Federated Church. Each member of the Governing Council is either a chairperson or member of a Committee, serves communion, attends denominational meeting, calls on members as needed.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE - 2 persons elected for a three year term.** Oversees Church School, Vacation Bible Camp, Confirmation, and Adult Ed.

**FINANCE & PROPERTY COMMITTEE - 2 persons elected for a three year term.** Oversees asset management and expenditure of church budget, church property, upkeep.

**MEMBERSHIP & GROWTH COMMITTEE – 2 persons elected for a three year term.** Oversees evangelism and outreach, including Community Publicity, Special Events, New Members.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - 1 person elected to a three year term.** Conducts interviews & evaluations of non-ordained candidates/staff, keeps job descriptions current, and makes recommendations to Council.

**SOCIAL CONCERNS & MISSIONS COMMITTEE – 2 persons elected to a three year term.** Coordinates special offerings, missions, community outreach, social advocacy, connects to community partners.

**STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE – 1 person elected for a three year term and 1 person for a one year term** Coordinates annual stewardship campaign to encourage pledging and tithing as a spiritual discipline of the whole congregation.

**WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE – 2 person elected to a three year term.** Coordinates communion, special services, & musicians. Advises Pastor and Music Staff.

**YOUTH MINISTRY COMMITTEE – 2 persons elected to a three year term.** Relates to pastor/director as a resource group, and reports to Governing Council concerning regular and special activities for 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades.

**ORDER OF ST. ANDREW – 3 persons elected to a three year term.** Makes visits and assists with care ministry projects of the Order to members & community. **NOMINATING COMMITTEE - 4 persons elected for a ONE year term.** Presents annual slate of recommended names for elected offices and committee members.

**ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE - 1 person elected for a THREE year term.** Manages the Endowment fund and encourages and promotes gifts to the fund. Receives requests for fund distribution and makes recommendations for such distributions to the Governing Council. Committee meets as needed.

*Please take time to prayerfully consider where God is calling you right now in your life and in the life of Federated Church.*

### Thank you!

The 2019 Nominating Committee: Marcia Grant, Chair; Dave Melick, Deb Curry, Peg Meyer, Mike Slizoski, and Alison Wagner

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