



# FEDERATED CHURCH

INTO OUR NEW CENTURY IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST



**Thursday,  
October 20,  
2016**



**Sunday,  
October 23,  
2016**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT FEDERATED!**

If you are new to Federated, please let us know 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! Rick Porter (Thurs.); Mark Hegi, Byron Meyer, Peg Meyer, Peg Rupprecht and Dennis Vollbracht.

Hearing assistance devices and large print hymnals are available.

**We are called Federated because** on July 2, 1914, Columbus' Congregational (now the United Church of Christ) and Presbyterian churches joined in an effort to serve as one congregation.

For **Prayer Chain** requests, call the Church Office (402) 564-2812 to call the Order of St. Andrew to start the prayer chain. The Prayer Chain is strictly confidential.

**If you missed worship last week**, visit [www.federatedcolumbus.org](http://www.federatedcolumbus.org) to see videos of worship and bulletins or Channel 99 (HD) at Noon Mondays and Saturdays and Sunday at 8pm.

**In the event of a pastoral emergency, the pastors' cell phone numbers are:**

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## WE PREPARE FOR GOD'S WORD

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

PRELUDE

*Jesus Loves Me*  
Lee Augustin, Organ & Piano

ARR.HUSTAD

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

MOMENT FOR MISSION (SUN.): *Department of Health & Human Services* Lara Swerczek

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

CHILDREN'S DEFENSE FUND

One: We gather, young, old and in-between, each made in God's image, full of promise.

**All: We gather, trusting in Christ's promise of new life.**

One: We gather, empowered by the Spirit to seek justice

**All: so that all may live out the lives for which they were created.**

One: Come, let us worship God on this Children's Sabbath day!

\*OPENING SONG #2236 *Sing the Faith Songbook* **Gather Us In**

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RECONCILIATION

One: God of all and not just some,

**All: We confess that when some have too much and others too little,**

One: we have not proclaimed your justice.

**All: When some have been surrounded by love and others excluded,**

One: we have not reached out with your radical inclusion.

**All: When some have been set on easy paths forward and others left to stumble over obstacles,**

One: we have not cleared the way as Jesus admonished.

**All: When some are nurtured and others abandoned,**

One: we have not embraced them with your love.

**All: When some are encouraged and others disheartened,**

One: we have not spoken your word of hope.

**All: Forgive us, we pray, for the ways we have not lived up to**

One: the scope of your vision, the depth of your love, the breadth of your embrace.

**All: God of all and not just some, help us to embody your love and speak your justice**

One: until every child may live into the fullness of the promise for which you created them.

**All: We pray these things in the name of Jesus who came for all and not just some.**

One: All are invited to offer silent prayers of confession.

### DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

One: Listen! I have something to say! God sent God's own child Jesus that we might know ourselves to be loved and forgiven children of God.

**All: Hear and believe the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

\*SONG OF PRAISE #2193 *Sing the Faith Songbook (Sun.)* **Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (sung twice)**

CHILDREN'S SERMON (Sun.) *All children are invited forward for a special message by the Puppet Ministry*  
Julie Graham, Cindy Hoadley & Katie Claus, Directors

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

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Rev. Dr. Annika Lister Stroope (Sun.)

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.

CHILDREN'S BELL CHORAL ANTHEM (Sun.)

*Fairest Lord Jesus; God is So Good*

Stuart Gausman, Director

### WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Kristi Wolfe, Liturgist (Sun.)

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 11: 1 - 9

*(pew Bible Old Testament pages 640-641)*

The First Letter of Paul to Timothy 4: 11 - 13

*(pew Bible New Testament page 209)*

SERMON

“Stewardship of Children”

The Rev. Dr. Edward Yang

MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Children of the Heavenly Father*

ARR. BISH

\*DOXOLOGY ††

ROGER C. LYNN

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

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

**All: Great God, guard the laughter of children.**

**Bring them safely through injury and illness  
so they may live the promises you give.**

**Do not let us be so preoccupied with our purposes  
that we fail to hear their voices,**

**or pay attention to their special vision of the truth;  
but keep us with them, ready to listen and to love,**

**even as in Jesus Christ you have loved us,  
your grown-up, wayward children. Amen.**

\*CLOSING SONG #2175 *Sing the Faith Songbook*

**Together We Serve**

\*BLESSING AND SENDING

\*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: As children of God, we are no longer strangers, but friends. The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

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

POSTLUDE

*Sunday School March in G*

SCHREIBER

***After praising God with the Postlude, all are welcome to Sunday fellowship,  
hosted by Sharon Kuncl and D'Ete Kluck.***

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

†† tune on page 592 of the hymnal

## JOYS & CONCERNS

- ◆ The family of Louise Moran invite you to her birthday celebration open house on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 4 in the Fellowship hall for cake and coffee.
- ◆ Worship flowers are given by Chris and Laurretta Dixon in celebration of their 63rd wedding anniversary!
- ◆ Please hold Larry Mares in your prayers following surgery in Omaha recently. He is recovering at home.
- ◆ Please hold Charlotte Griffith and family in your prayers as they grieve the death of Charlotte's mother, Ardeth Coleman, who died Oct. 10. The funeral service was Oct. 15 in Ainsworth.
- ◆ Please pray for Lois Zoucha, Marv's mother, as she faces health challenges from cancer.

## THIS WEEK AT FEDERATED CHURCH

### Sunday, October 23

- 9:30am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 10:30am Sunday School, Ed. Center/Upper Rooms
- 10:45am Adult Bible Education, EC 4/5
- 3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 4:30pm Boy Scout Jamboree, Fellowship Hall

### Monday, October 24

- 9:30am Mon. Morning Bible Study, EC 8
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts Troop 212, Fellowship Hall

### Tuesday, October 25

- 7:00am Christian Book Discussion, Fellowship Hall
- 6:00pm Consonaires Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 7:00pm Governing Council Meeting, EC 8

### Wednesday, October 26

- 3:00pm Wed. Youth After School, Fellowship Hall
- 5:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 6:30pm Puppet Ministry, EC 8 & 3
- 7:30pm Youth Club, Upper Room & Gym
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

### Thursday, October 27

- 6:30pm Worship Service, Sanctuary

### Friday, October 28

- 9:00am MOPS Playgroup, Gym
- 6:00pm Latino Prayer Service, EC 6

### Saturday, October 29

- 1:00pm L. Moran 80th B-day Party, Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, October 30

- 9:30am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 10:30am 101st Fall Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary
- 3:00pm El Buen Pastor Worship Service, Sanctuary

**Bible Study on the Gospel of Matthew** with Joie Tayler meets tomorrow, **Oct. 24** from **9:30a.m. to 10:30a.m. in Room EC 8** to study chapter 16, 17, & 18.

**Local Outreach to Suicide Survivors (LOSS):** Meeting at the Public Library on Tues, Oct. 25th at 7p.m. It will be a 90-minute workshop on how to assist families, workplaces, faith communities, and school settings in the healing process of those impacted by suicide.

## IN WORSHIP AT FEDERATED THIS FALL

### NEXT WEEK - Thurs., Oct. 27 & Sun., Oct. 30

#### Reformation Sunday

Celebrate our heritage of Reformation, which began 499 years ago, and how God's Spirit still reforms us!

**Fall Congregational Meeting** will be right after the worship service on Oct. 30th. **5th Sunday Potluck in the Fellowship Hall** will follow the congregational meeting. During the potluck, there will be an **Information Meeting for next year's Youth Summer Mission** (in Fellowship Hall) for all interested students and parents.

**Youth (High School) Lock-in:** Federated high schoolers will gather for an overnight lock-in at church from **Oct. 28 (Fri) 7pm to Oct. 29 (Sat) 7am**. Please inform youth teacher or pastor Edward if you are planning to join. We also need adult chaperones for three hour shifts. [edward@federatedcolumbus.org](mailto:edward@federatedcolumbus.org)

**Grief Support Group** meets again **Tuesday, Nov. 1** from **10 a.m to 11 a.m.** and is open to the community. Facilitated by Mary Phillips, therapist from Colgrove Counseling Center, and Rev. Annika. All are welcome. Group meets every other Tuesday.

**Tuesday Morning Christian Book Discussion Group** meets at 7 a.m. for breakfast and discussion in the Fellowship Hall of the book, "Israel and Palestine" by Avi Shlaim. Contact Bob Trautwein at 402 910 4341 or [rjtraut@yahoo.com](mailto:rjtraut@yahoo.com) if you have questions.

**Volunteers Needed at MOPS:** With nearly 50 moms in the group this year, **Mothers Of Preschoolers** group, volunteers are needed for childcare **November 11** (8:30am to 11am). If you are available for all or part of that time, it would be a great help to show Federated's hospitality to the community. To help, please call the church office (402) 564-2812. Thanks!

**Thursday, November 17 - the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Cookies 'N More at Federated Church** Anita Hahn will sign up volunteers in the Narthex on Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. All church members who are able will have the opportunity to bake cookies (6 dozen) or make candy (1 batch). Please have your choice ready when contacted!

**Platte County Food Pantry** If you can volunteer an hour or two during the day in a week, please call the Director, Donna, at 402-910-1282.

**Childcare at MOPS:** With nearly 50 moms in the group this year, **Mothers Of Preschoolers** group, volunteers are needed for childcare **October 14** and **November 11** (8:30am to 11am). If you are available for all or part of that time, it would be a great help to show Federated's hospitality to the community. To help, please call the church office (402) 564-2812. Thanks!