

INTO OUR NEW CENTURY IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST

FEDERATED NEWS

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From the Pastor's Desk

It's rare that there are enough years in a lifetime for a pastor of a church to have the privilege to celebrate a centennial and a sesquicentennial of a congregation. Usually, those happen at minimum once in a century!

Because of the unique history of the Federated Church of Columbus, I had the privilege of celebrating with you all the 100th anniversary of the congregation (the centennial in 2014). This year, we have the privilege to celebrate the 150th (sesquicentennial) of the founding of the Congregational Church of Columbus. Everyone is warmly welcome to the 150th celebrate on Sunday, October 16th in the 9:30a.m. worship service. We will also recognize that day the folks who have been members of Federated for 50 + years.

Several folks have asked if this year's 150th celebration would include St. Luke's United Church of Christ here in Columbus. To answer this question, I took the opportunity to learn more about the history of St. Luke's.

St. Luke's was founded in 1872 by German-speaking Swiss families as *St. Luke's German Reformed Church* (six years after the Congregational Church's founding). In 1947, St. Luke's joined the Evangelical and Reformed ("E&R") denomination. (This info and more of the congregation's history can be found at St. Luke's website: <http://www.saintlukescolumbus.org/about/>.)

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Thursday Worship
at 6:30 PM

Sunday Worship
at 9:30 AM

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Federated Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and the United Church of Christ.

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The Congregational Church of Columbus (founded in 1866) was the church that federated with the Columbus Presbyterian Church in 1914.

It was the formation of the United Church of Christ ("UCC") in 1957 that brought together America's Evangelical & Reformed ("E&R") churches and Congregational churches, creating the "UCC" denomination that St. Luke's and Federated now have in common.

So, because our two churches have two distinct founding churches, St. Luke's is not a part of this year's celebration at Federated – however – perhaps in 2017, Federated and St. Luke's could celebrate together the 60th anniversary of the birth of the United Church of Christ ("UCC").

One more note about St. Luke's: as many of you have heard, the pastor of St. Luke's, Rev. Chris McArdle, has accepted the call to be pastor of First Congregational Church in Anoka, Minnesota. Chris and his wife, Erin, warmly welcomed me to Columbus and we have had a very collegial relationship. Erin has collaborated with many Federated folks in hosting Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS). I know you join me in thanking Chris and Erin for their positive presence in our communities and our sister churches!

Peace,



Adult Education Fall 2016 Curriculum

Sept 11-Oct 9 - *Half Truths:....* Bible Study w/Rev. Annika

Oct 16-Oct 23 - *Denominational Giving* - Guest Speaker Rec.

Roddy Dunkerson, UCC Nebraska Conference Minister

Oct 30 - No Education Hour, 5th Sunday Potluck

Nov 6-Nov 13 - *The Christian Wallet* - Bible Study w/book by Mike Slaughter and Karen Perry Smith

Nov 20 - *Interchurch Ministries of Nebraska* - Guest Speaker Rev. Jerry Albright

Nov 27 - Edward Yang, Associate Pastor leads a joint class with Adults and Confirmands

Dec 4-Dec 18 - *No Fear* - Focuses on the messengers of Bible verses read during Advent and Christmas

Hope to see you Sundays at 10:45a.m.!!

Coffee mugs are welcome in Education Center Room 4/5!

Bell Choir

Dear Federated Friends,

It is that wonderful time of year once again, and no, I'm not just talking about football season! You guessed it, it is time for all the wonderful fall programs at Federated. This of course includes one of my favorites, Bells of Joy!

This year will be another among many great years of music ministry at Federated. We have a lot to look forward to and much to accomplish.

I will be running the children's bell program again this year as well, which I am excited about. We generally practice during the first part of the education hour on Sundays, and it is really a fun time. Cultivating interest in playing bells at a young age will only help our bell choir to continually succeed and grow in years to come. So I feel this is another vital part of our music ministry.

This year we could really use some more members and substitutes for Bells of Joy, so I would like to take this opportunity to cordially invite anyone who has interest in the bells to join us at a rehearsal and see what it is all about. You may find it is not as intimidating as you thought! We rehearse on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 6:30 in the sanctuary. Any of the Bells of Joy members would be happy to talk with you about what an extraordinary and rewarding experience it has been for them to be a part of the music ministry of Federated.

I look forward to seeing you at rehearsal on the coming Wednesdays!

Yours in Christ,

Stuart Gausman, Bell Choir Director

Found Beneath Café LaFed Shelves

There is a black boom box that was found beneath the Café LaFed shelves. It is not in full working order. If you believe it may be yours, come to the church office to claim it.

Claim it, take it or it will be tossed December 31st, 2016!

President's Governing Council Report

During the September meeting committees were reminded that budget requests for 2017 needed to be submitted by the end of October. The Governing Council approved the following actions:

1. To allow the Social Concerns and Missions Committee to assist the Columbus Kiwanis in selling peanuts.
2. Approved the baptism of Alejandro Garcia Lopez on October 16, 2016.
3. Approved moving Communion from Dec. 28 and Jan. 1 to Jan. 5 and 8.
4. Nominating Committee reported that all vacancies for officers, Governing Council, and committees have been filled.

Volunteers Needed!!!

Do you enjoy hanging out with preschoolers? Maybe you don't get to see your grandkids as much as you would like. Maybe you miss your kids being home. Get your 'baby fever' medicine here! MOPS is looking for volunteers to help watch the little ones during the MOPS meetings on October 14th and November 11th from 8:30 to 11:15 am. If you aren't available those days, schedule other Fridays the Mothers Of PreschoolerS would like some help!!!

MOPPETS Coordinator is Corrin Johnson, you can email her at thejs12@yahoo.com or call/text 402-910-9410, or Brenda Sand at 402-276-2080.

Specials Guest Visited October 8 - 11

We welcomed Dianet Martinez, who visited from the Reformed Church in Cuba. Dianet is one of ten Presbyterian Church (USA) Peacemakers in 2016. Dianet studies at the Evangelical Seminary.



Center For Survivors

We ask that you help support this ministry by bringing in



October:

Coffee Maker,
Toasters, Spatulas, etc.

November:

Toys for all ages,
Colors and coloring books, Kids
Movies

Platte County Food Pantry

"Food of the Month" for the Platte County Food Pantry:
We ask that you help support this ministry by bringing in

October:

Salt & Pepper
Baking Soda
Baking Powder

November:

Cake and Brownie Mixes
Salad Oil
Shortening

Platte Valley Humane Society

The Platte Valley Humane Society is privileged to have a donation receptacle in the northwest entrance of the Federated Church.
Requested items are:



October:

Leashes
Collars

November:

Postage Stamps,
Wal-Mart and Menards Gift
Cards

Columbus Rescue Mission Meal Schedule

10/14/2016 - D'Ete Kluck, Kathy Senior

10/28/2016 - Sue Jacobs & Sue McClure

11/11/2016 - Ben & Marilyn Vrana, Sharyn & Mike Beard

11/25/2016 - John & Anita Hahn, Katie Claus

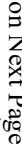
12/9/2016 - Tammy Hempstead

November 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Oct 30 09:30 AM-Worship Service 10:30 AM-Fall Cong. Meeting 03:00 PM-El Buen Pastor Worship	Oct 31 07:00 PM-Boy Scouts Troop 212	1 07:00 AM-Christian Book Discussion 10:00 AM-Grief Support Counseling 06:00 PM-Consonantes Rehearsal	2 10:30 AM-WF Board Meeting 03:00 PM-Wed. Youth After School 05:30 PM-Bell Choir Rehearsal 06:30 PM-Puppet Ministry 07:30 PM-Youth Club 07:30 PM-Chancel Choir Practice	3 06:00 PM-Boy Scouts Roundtable 06:30 PM-Worship Service 07:00 PM-Order of the Arrow	4 09:00 AM-MOPS Steering Meeting 06:00 PM-Latino Prayer Service	5
6 09:30 AM-Worship Service 10:30 AM-Sunday School 10:45 AM-Adult Bible Education 03:00 PM-El Buen Pastor Worship	7 05:15 PM-Order of St. Andrew 07:00 PM-Boy Scouts Troop 212	8 08:00 AM-General Election Voting 11:30 AM-Personnel Cmte. Mtg. 06:00 PM-Consonantes Rehearsal 07:30 PM-Christian Education Cmte	9 01:00 PM-Needlecraft Ministry 03:00 PM-Wed. Youth After School 05:30 PM-Bell Choir Rehearsal 06:30 PM-Puppet Ministry 07:30 PM-Youth Club 07:30 PM-Chancel Choir Practice	10 06:30 PM-Worship Service	11 08:30 AM-MOPS Meeting 06:00 PM-Latino Prayer Service	12
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Women's Fellowship Circles



Circle 1: JoAnn Dowd - 402-564-5017

Circle 2: Cec Bartholomew - 402-564-0264

Circle 4: Louise Moran - 402-564-5745

Women's Fellowship

Co-Moderators:

Cec Bartholomew, Rogalyn
Stevens & Charlotte Griffith

Immediate Past Moderator: Joie Taylor

Oct 19: Circle 1: 9:30 a.m. Hostess: Beverly Fry
Lesson: Anita Hahn

Oct 19: Circle 2: 1:00 p.m. Hostess: Cec Bartholomew

Oct 19: Circle 4: 7:30 p.m. Hostess: Karen Hake
Co-Hostess: Ellen Doughty
Lesson: Shirley Johnson

Nov 16: Circle 1: 9:30 a.m. Hostess: Linda McPhail
Lesson: Linda McPhail

Nov 16: Circle 2: 1:00 p.m. Hostess: TBA

Nov 16: Circle 4: 7:30 p.m. Hostess: Joan Specht
Co-Hostess: Jeannie Johnson
Lesson: Ellie Doughty

Women's Fellowship Dates to Remember

Oct 19: **Circles Meet** (see above for times)

Nov 17: Cookies N More's 10th Birthday!! (more info on pg. 9)

Dec 7: Board Meeting 10:30 a.m.

Dec 7: Luncheon at Noon with 'Make a Joyful Sound' by Vocal
Quartet from Peace Lutheran Church

B-I-N-G-O



October 26th: Circles 4 and 1 with
Circle 4 providing prizes.

November 23rd: Circles 1 and 2
with Circle 1 providing prizes.

Cookies 'N More's 10th Birthday!!

Cookies 'N More has its 10th birthday this year! In 2006 the idea of a self-choice cookie and candy sale was brought to the Women's Fellowship board. Many people through those 10 years have added their ideas to the project making Cookies 'N More a church and community tradition.



This year's Cookies 'N More will be on Thursday November 17th during the community Downtown Stroll from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Anita Hahn will be in the narthex on October 16th to sign up volunteers for this year's Cookies 'N More. Helpers will be needed to receive cookies and candies, label cookie boxes, welcome guests, distribute boxes and gloves, work in the kitchen serving snacks and replenishing boxes, be cashiers, assist customers, and of course, the inevitable clean-up! There will also be an opportunity to sign up for cookies (6 dozen) or candy (1 batch) and signing up then will greatly reduce the number of telephone calls we have to make! Call Anita, if you are unable to be there that Sunday!

Cookies 'N More has been a project that offers fun and fellowship for workers and shoppers alike. Approximately 80% of the money earned will go to support local missions.

Funeral Committee Information

Committee 1: Co-Chairpersons: David & Paula Lange, Margaret Nyffeler, Gordon & Joan Specht, Bill & Ruth Erwin

Members: Sara Aerni, Arturo & Maria Alarcon, Tammy Baldwin, Brian & Patty Beckner, Pete & Carol Bennett, Lee & Diane Bower, Robyn Bower, Nell Burnham, Brian & Judy Dobbs, Ellen Doughty, Chuck & Phyllis Elliott, Dave & Rita Engquist, Becki Frieze, Clark & Marcia Grant, Karen Hake, Rex & Kathy Hash, Terry & Connie Hickey, Ken & Betty Hledik, David & Vanessa Howe, Kevin & Denise Kallweit, Twila Keener, Steve & Renee Klutman, Kenn & Kathy Leischner, Rick & Karen Marxsen, Clint & Kelli Scheffler, Ruth Schlobohm, Kathy Senior, Bob & Glynnette Smith, Daryl Smith & Ron Novak, Joie Taylor, Frank & Sherry Thompson, Rod & Cindee Wachter, David & Linda Walline, Wendy Wells, Kevin & Terri Wolfgram, Marv & Barb Zoucha



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Alicia Purinton	10/16
Steve Dewald, Sharon Kuncil, Tim Rathje	10/18
Leroy Kallweit, Ruth Lind	10/19
Enyssa Arps, Linda Wheatley	10/22
Jenna Mares	10/23
Rex Hash, Chris Rasmussen	10/24
Mark Hegi	10/26
James Dean	10/27
Terry Hickey, Andrew Keener	10/28
Tiffanie Ziola	10/29
Brady Hanks, Roger Hare, Margaret Trew	10/30
Diana Gartrell, Bill Irby	10/31
Debbie Dahlberg, Carrie Prokopec, Peg Rupprecht	11/1
Heather Purinton	11/2
Elizabeth Grisham, Donna Shreve	11/3
Kyle Hadwiger, Hunter Yang	11/5
Mia Purinton, Joshua Winig	11/6
Irene Dare, Emily Forsberg	11/7
Mary Sharpe	11/9
James Morris	11/10
Hanson Elliott, Meera Lange, Mackenzie Slizoski, Mary Thoms	11/11
Benjamin Hickey, Gary Puckett	11/13
Alex Lange	11/14

Don't see your birthday in our list above? Find an error?
Contact the church office and let us know!

Federated Church Finance-at-a-Glance

Recap of financial transactions for September 2016

The following information is a brief description of transactions for the previously completed month. Complete records are available in the church office upon request.

Income - September 2016

Contributions, Etc.:

General Fund (Checking)	\$28,305.03
Memorials	\$50.00

Designated Funds (Savings):

Doane College	\$50.00
Ghana Partnership	40.00
Habitat for Humanity	2.00
Back Pack Program	50.00
Tuesday Morning	34.00
Rent	550.00
Helping Hands Non-Member	5.00

Expenses - September 2016

General Expenditures:

Committee, Administration, Church Staff, Utilities/Facility Expenses	\$39,171.78
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Designated Funds (Savings):

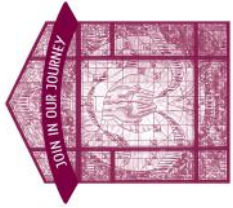
Seminary Support PCUSA (Ordination)	\$926.00
Youth Fund	20.00
Undesignated Memorials	180.94
Building Maintenance (Carpets, AC/ Heater Repair)	2,154.78
Helping Hands Non-Members	70.00

Checking Balance: \$18,965.34

Income: \$29,086.03

Expense: \$42,523.50

Net Change: -\$13,437.47



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(details for events inside)

Worship Broadcast on Cable Channel 99

Monday – 12:00 Noon, Saturday – 12:00 Noon, Sunday – 8:00 P.M.

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