



# **FEDERATED CHURCH**

## United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming Congregation

November 11  
**Welcome!**

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Upcoming Activities and Opportunities at Federated

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### **Ingathering has Begun**

**Deadline—Sunday, November 18**

Each year at Thanksgiving, our sister church, St. Paul's, packages and gives away 100 food baskets for families who would not otherwise have a holiday dinner. Families come to St. Paul's and receive a basket filled with everything they will need for a festive holiday celebration.

Please bring in traditional Thanksgiving foods such as canned vegetables, pie crust mixes, fruit or pumpkin filling, potatoes, and frozen turkeys. On November 18, we return to Bell Street, and donations can be left at the display in the Narthex.

Monetary donations are also needed to complete the baskets. Please make checks payable to Federated Church with "Ingathering" in the memo line. Checks can be left in the offering plate, or brought to the church office.

Let's celebrate our many blessings by sharing from our abundance!



### **Ahead At The Fed**

**Sunday, November 18**

**\*\*RETURN TO 76 BELL ST.\*\***

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

Commitment Sunday

Ingathering Sunday

9:45 am Pre-service music by Bookshar Trumpet Ensemble and Marcia Snavelly

10 am Worship and Sunday School at Bell St.

*Music by The Bell Choir, Choir,*

*Bookshar Trumpet Ensemble*

*Leap of Faith Liturgical Dancers perform*

### **November 18- Lectionary Readings**

I Samuel 1:4-20

I Samuel 2:1-10

Daniel 12:1-3

Psalms 16

Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25

Mark 13:1-8

**Sunday, November 25**

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

Family Worship at Bell St.

*Music by Combined Choirs*

10 am

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We welcome you to The Federated Church, a place to belong and a place to become.

We are people just like you, who hope and love and hurt, and we have found that Jesus Christ makes a transforming difference in our daily lives.

Your presence matters to us. We open our hearts to you.

### Our Staff is Here to Support YOU

We at Federated believe in service. We think of our congregation as Ministers to the World and our church staff as Ministers to the Congregation. Should you have questions or need information, please contact us at 440.247.6490. We look forward to serving you.

#### Clergy \*denotes part-time staff

**Hamilton Throckmorton**, *Senior Pastor*  
**Mark Simone**, *Pastor of Children's, Youth & Family Faith Formation*

\* **Susi Kawolics**, *Pastor of Worship Planning & Adult Faith Formation*

#### Administration and Staff

**Amy Eugene**, *Senior Director of Operations*  
**Melinda Smith**, *Congregational Life Administrator*

\* **Trisha Holland**, *Marketing & Communications Specialist*

\* **Janis Stefanchik**, *Bookkeeper*

\* **Dolly Herschel**, *Primetime Coordinator*

\* **Darlene Nichols**, *Pastoral Care Administrator*

\* **Laura Taylor**, *Capital Campaign Assistant*

**Ed Willmott**, *Properties & Events Manager*

**Jake Magalski**, *Maintenance & Grounds Lead*

\* **Larry McGurer**, \***Wilson Taylor (temp)**,  
*Custodians*

#### Music Staff

**Joshua Konow**, *Director of Music Ministries*

\* **Marcia Snavelly**, *Organist*

\* **Pat Haynish**, *Director of Children's Choir*

\* **Thaddeus Quintin**, *Director of Federated Bell Choir*

#### Children's Ministries Staff

\* **Marty Culbertson**, *Director of Youth Faith Formation*

\* **Kiersti Critchfield**, *Director of Children's Faith Formation*

\* **Alex Bell**, **Lianna Davis**, *Childcare Providers*

Our Ushers and Greeters are wearing red carnations. They are available to answer any questions you may have and will be happy to assist you in any way.



## Veteran's Day Honor Celebration

We have collected stories, photos, letters, and memorabilia about the military service of people in the congregation and their loved ones. This will be shared in a special way **TODAY** after the worship service!

Please plan on staying after the service for this special tribute.



## Wondrous Wednesday

**Wednesday, November 14**

**6:00 pm FREE dinner, 7:00 pm program**  
**Fellowship Hall**

### Cleveland Artist Billy Haynes to Enrich Federated Hallways

Come meet one of our favorite characters (and multi-media artist). He's an art teacher, has his own design and sculpture studio, helped create the banner for our country's bi-centennial,... learn more. He's an engaging person to meet!

**Look for his art on our walls beginning**

**November 14.** And, come hear his story. He will speak at 7 pm after the free meal at 6 pm.

Call 440.247.6490 or stop at the reception desk in the Bell St. Lobby to RSVP if you wish to enjoy the meal.

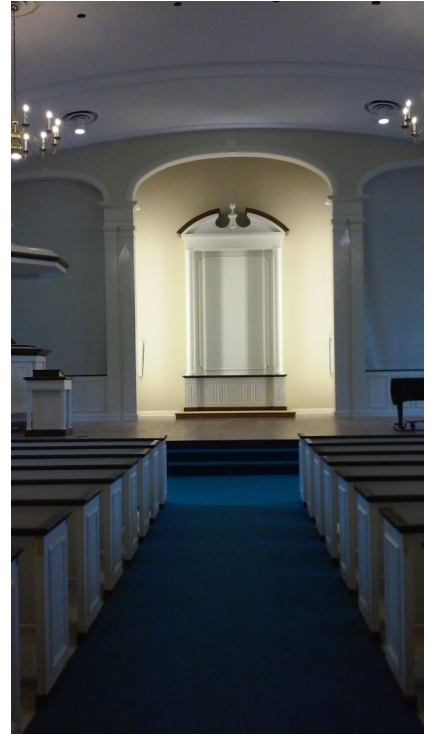


## Next Week: Return to Bell Street!

You have waited and waited. The day is finally here! We are busy dusting off and cleaning up the construction mess this week so that we can return to our Bell St. Sanctuary next week.

Join us for a single 10 am service complete with all the bells and whistles of musical performances. This is also Ingathering Sunday and Commitment Sunday.

Be sure to stay after for a "Return to Bell" fellowship celebration, complete with cake from White Flower Cake Shoppe!



## Parking Reminders

*Due to ongoing construction at the Intermediate School, Sunday morning parking can be found at:*

**Federated Lot** – Our lot has 47 spaces and 10-15 will be marked for those who have mobility difficulties. Please respect their need for this close-in parking.

**Vincent Street** – Along the river side of the street only.

**Chagrin Shopping Plaza** – In 2-hour spaces only. Be careful not to park in *Permit Holders Only* spaces.

**139 Bell Street** (aka The Shibley Building) – White office building on Bell Street across from the Marathon station. The walk to Federated is short and level.





## Search for the Christ Child

Sunday, December 2, 5:00—8:00 PM  
Family Life Center

We need your help!!



Come join us as we journey through the Christmas story! Follow a shepherd guide along Mary and Joseph's trek to Jerusalem. Meet and interact with characters along the way, ultimately arriving at a live nativity to behold the Christ Child!

Actors (either adults or teens) are needed to play characters along the route. Volunteer for 1.5 hours or the entire 3 hours (5:00–6:30 pm and/or 6:30–8:00 pm). Speaking and non-speaking roles are available. Costumes will be provided and a rehearsal is scheduled for Saturday, December 1 from 1:00–2:00 pm.

We are also looking for bakers to provide cookies for the event, and people to help set up the week before and tear down the week after.

Visit [fedchurch.org/sftcc](http://fedchurch.org/sftcc) to sign up now! Or stop by Fellowship Hall after worship today! If you have questions please contact Kiersti Critchfield at [kcritchfield@fedchurch.org](mailto:kcritchfield@fedchurch.org). Thank you!

### Next Daniel Plan Sessions

**Sunday, November 18 | 9:00 am**  
Bell St. Lounge for *Food Lesson Three*

**Sunday, December 2 | 9:00 am**  
Bell St. Lounge for *Focus Lesson Three*

Jump in at any time to learn about living a healthy lifestyle. Everyone is welcome - those who have been participating all along plus those who would just like to learn more about the program!

Go to [fedchurch.org/calendar](http://fedchurch.org/calendar) or call 440.247.6490 for the full up-to-date calendar of sessions.



### Fed Day Missions (FDM)

Our next FDM will return to St. Paul's Church for a number of important projects on **Saturday, November 17**. **We will meet at Bell St. at 8:30 am** and travel by carpool, arriving at St. Paul's just before 9:30. Our group will work until 1:30 pm and then back to Federated around 2:00 pm.

Anyone is welcome to participate! Please RSVP to Mark at [msimone@fedchurch.org](mailto:msimone@fedchurch.org).



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## Movie Night: Smog of the Sea

November 19 | 7:00 pm

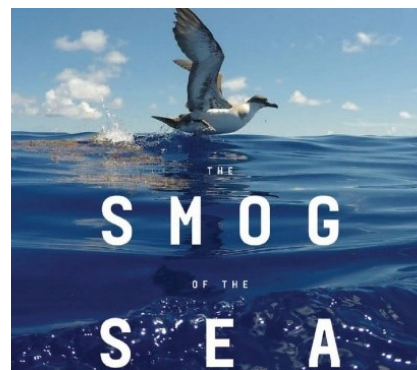
Family Life Center Youth Room

The *Smog of the Sea* chronicles a one-week journey through the remote waters of the Sargasso Sea. Marine scientist Marcus Eriksen invited onboard an unusual crew to help him study the sea.

As the crew sieves the water and sorts through their haul, a disturbing reality sets in: a fog of microplastics permeates the world's oceans, trillions of nearly invisible plastic shards making their way up the marine food chain. You can clean up a garbage patch, but how do you stop a fog?

The *Smog of the Sea* provides a new perspective on the once pristine oceans, and makes an artful call to action for rethinking the scourge of the sea — single-use plastic.

Come join us for the movie and discussion about what steps we can take to make a difference, and help curb the scourge of plastics on this planet.





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## Rise to Shine! Our New Worship Schedule

Throughout November, even as we re-enter our 76 Bell Sanctuary, we will continue a united worship at 10 am. Then, starting the first Sunday in Advent (December 2) we will dedicate two distinct worship times and styles. Our traditional worship will run 10-11 am, with the richness and invitational welcome of our Federated Choirs and Sunday School. Then from 11:30 am-12:15 pm, we offer "Rise to Shine" to shine God's light in spirited, relational and relevant worship.

This new service will feature a new musical group inviting you to sing along as we arrange recent and familiar tunes to begin service with multiple musical selections. People of all ages and backgrounds will participate together as we seek to lift our Sunday spirits and create new pathways for connection to the Light of God.



<div>  <b>This Week In Sunday School</b>  </div>					
Theme	Bible Story	Truth	Theme	Bible Story	Truth
Kids Cove (Birth-Preschool)			Discovery Island (K-5th Grade)		
Happy Helpers Club	Nehemiah builds a wall. Nehemiah 1-6	I am thankful for people who help me.	The Rainbow Promise—Art	Noah Genesis 6:13-22, 7:1-16, 8:1-9:17	We can trust God's promises

## Advent by Candlelight: Nativities of the World

### An Invitation for Women to Prepare for Christ's Coming

Monday, December 3 | 7:00 pm | Family Life Center

The Congregational Care Commission is again offering an opportunity for women to prepare for the coming of Christ. By beginning the season with *Advent by Candlelight*, we hope that your Advent this year might be more peaceful and your preparations more Christ-centered.

Please come and share this wonderful evening as our guests. You will enjoy beautiful music, delicious food, and warm fellowship.

To help with our planning, we appreciate if you could RSVP. There will be a sign-up sheet during Fellowship Time after worship. You can also sign up by calling 440.247.6490 or stopping by the

Bell St. reception desk during the week. But even if you don't get signed up... come anyway! We want to enjoy this evening with YOU!

If possible, please also bring a sweet or savory treat to share. Finger foods are preferred (no nuts, please). **We encourage you to enjoy this event with family members and friends—all women are welcome!**



## In Search of a Pastoral Care Administrator

We are looking for a Pastoral Care Administrator; someone who combines loving, heartfelt care with office acumen to monitor the outreach to and needs of church members and friends. This individual facilitates weekly Pastoral Care Team meetings, follows up with individuals who might benefit from pastoral care support, maintains the databases that track the pastoral care outreach, and holds the highest level of ethics and care for those in need and for church policies and procedures. If interested, please contact Amy Eugene at [aeugene@fedchurch.org](mailto:aeugene@fedchurch.org) or 440.247.6490 x110.

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# Weekly Calendar

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Activities in ***bold italics*** take place at the Family Life Center. Rentals, Scout and non-church related community events are not listed.  
*Find the full calendar of events on our website at [FEDCHURCH.ORG/CALENDAR](http://FEDCHURCH.ORG/CALENDAR)*

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## SUNDAY November 11

**10:00 am** *Worship Service*  
**10:00 am** *Sunday School*  
**11:00 am** *Confirmation Class*  
**11:00 am** *Veteran's Day Reception*  
**11:15 am** *SJAM (Social Justice Advocacy Ministry) Mtg*  
**5:00 pm** *JOY (Jr. High Youth Group) Mtg*  
**6:30 pm** *GROUP (Sr High Youth Group) Mtg*  
**8:15 pm** *AA Sunday Open Hearth Mtg*

## MONDAY November 12

**10:00 am** Primetime Pillows for Hospice Sewing  
**10:00 am** Primetime Tai Chi  
**10:15 am** Monday Morning Miracles Mtg  
**1:30 pm** Primetime Federated Forum  
**3:15 pm** Primetime Ministry Team Mtg  
**4:00 pm** Children's Choir Rehearsal  
**7:00 pm** *Congregational Care Commission Mtg*

## TUESDAY November 13

**8:00 am** *Spirit Walk & Roll*  
**9:30 am** Pastoral Care Mtg  
**10:00 am** *Tributaries: Yoga~Spirit~Renewal*  
**6:30 pm** Spiritual Formation Commission Mtg  
**7:00 pm** Mission & Service Commission Mtg  
**7:00 pm** *AA Fireside Mtg*

## WEDNESDAY November 14

**7:30 am** *Contemplative Prayer*  
**8:00 am** *Spirit Walk & Roll*  
**12:00 pm** Twelve to One AA Mtg  
**4:45 pm** *Primetime Trip to Solon Center for the Arts*  
**6:00 pm** Wondrous Wednesday Dinner & Program  
**7:00 pm** Bell Choir Rehearsal  
**7:00 pm** Membership Committee Mtg  
**7:30 pm** Women on the Move AA Mtg  
**7:30 pm** SLAA/Augustine Fellowship Mtg  
**8:00 pm** *Al-Anon Regular Mtg*

## THURSDAY November 15

**8:00 pm** The SPIRE Newsletter Preparations  
**8:00 am** *Spirit Walk & Roll*  
**8:30 am** Men's Discussion Group  
**9:00 am** Ladies Prayer Group  
**9:30 am** *Sit & Stitch*  
**10:30 am** *Tributaries: Chair Pilates*  
**12:00 pm** *Primetime Luncheon*  
**3:45 pm** Guitar Choir  
**6:00 pm** *Thursday Women's Happy Hour AA Mtg*  
**6:30 pm** ACA Mtg  
**7:00 pm** Choir Rehearsal

## FRIDAY November 16

**8:00 am** *Properties Feasibility Task Force Mtg*  
**8:00 am** *Spirit Walk & Roll*  
**9:30 am** Women's Discussion Group—away  
**12:00 pm** Friday Big Book AA Mtg  
**1:00 pm** Mahjong  
**2:00 pm** Primetime Bowling—away  
**8:00 pm** Chagrin Falls Friday AA Mtg

## SATURDAY November 17

**8:30 am** Federated Day Mission at St. Paul's

## SUNDAY November 18

**9:00 am** Daniel Plan Extended Session  
**9:45 am** Prelude by Bookshar Trumpet Ensemble  
**10:00 am** Worship Service (Returns to Bell St.)  
**10:00 am** Sunday School (Returns to Bell St.)  
**11:00 am** Special Return to Bell Street Celebration  
**12:00 pm** JOY Ingathering Food Sorting  
**5:45 pm** *GROUP Leadership Team Mtg*  
**6:30 pm** *GROUP (Sr High Youth Group) Mtg*  
**8:15 pm** *AA Sunday Open Hearth Mtg*

## **FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER:** *Please include in your prayers this week....*

**Bob Abley**, PO Box 291, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022, who is now recovering at home after suffering a concussion from a fall.

**Margaret Davidson**, 150 Cleveland Street, Room 81, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022, who is now under hospice care.

**Adam Lapsevich**, 8351 Lucerne Drive, Chagrin Falls, OH 44023, who is recovering from open heart surgery.

**Ginger McVean**, 5000 Northridge Drive, Unit 101, Willoughby, OH 44094, who is now home recovering from a UTI.

**Roberta (Bobbie) Walker**, 208 Hamlet Hills Drive Apt. 92, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022, who is at Hillcrest Hospital recovering from surgery for a fractured hip.

**Jim Young**, 8965 Red Tail Lane, Kirtland, OH 44094, who is home recovering from shoulder surgery.

Each week, we ask your prayers for two of our staff members. This week please pray for **Wilson Taylor** and **Joshua Konow**.

For November, the Mission & Service Commission is asking us to keep in prayer one of our church's mission partners, **St. Paul's Community Church (programs and participants)**.

### **The Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers for this week are:**

Darlene Nichols, 440.821.9963; Carol Basler, Sally Ramsey, Sue Mansour, Brenda Ehle.

## **Altar Flowers**

The altar flowers are given by Alan and Peggie Jo Shinagawa in loving memory of their parents, Otto and Gladys Shinagawa and Bob and Willie Gibson.

The flowers from today's worship service will be rearranged and distributed by the Angel Flower Ministry.

**Fellowship Treats:** Thanks to families in our congregation **whose names begin with L or M** for providing today's treats. Please join us after worship and enjoy!

Each week, certain members are invited to bring treats to share. Please bring ready-to-serve finger foods in disposable containers. They can be set on the treat table in Fellowship Hall. Healthy choices are especially welcome, but please *no nuts*. Thank you in advance for your participation.

November 18– **"Return to Bell Street Celebration."** Treats provided by **White Flower Cake Shoppe** and **commission members**

November 25– **All Congregation**

December 2– **members with last names beginning N, O, P, Q or R**

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