



# FEDERATED CHURCH

## United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming Congregation

September 8

# Welcome!

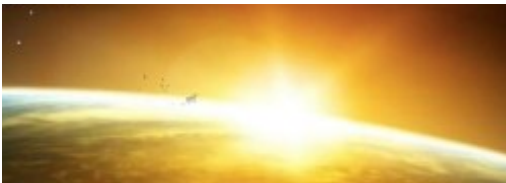
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Upcoming Activities and Opportunities at Federated

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### **11:30 RISE to Shine returns NEXT WEEK!**

*\*\* See you back again when we launch on  
September 15!\*\**



### **Ahead At The Fed**

#### **Sunday, September 15**

Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

10 am Traditional Worship and Sunday School  
*Music by Adult Choir*

11:30 am RISE to Shine Worship

*Music by RISE to Shine Band*

#### **September 15 - Scriptures**

Matthew 14:22-33

Acts 8:35-39

#### **Sunday, September 22**

Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

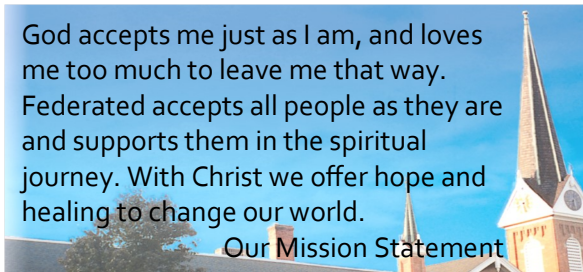
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God accepts me just as I am, and loves  
me too much to leave me that way.  
Federated accepts all people as they are  
and supports them in the spiritual  
journey. With Christ we offer hope and  
healing to change our world.

Our Mission Statement



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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*

\* **Dan Kershner**, *Pastoral Care Pastor*

### 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*

\* **Laura Taylor**, *Fund Development Associate*

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

\* **Larry McGurer**, **Wilson Taylor**, **Joshua Lynch**,  
*Custodians*

### Music Staff

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

\* **Marcia Snively**, *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*

\* **Bridget Petitti**, *Children, Youth and Family Intern*

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

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

## Let's Get Connected!

**We have an Online Community called  
Realm – and we want you to be  
in the Realm!**

Realm is an online ministry tool designed for real time connection. It helps our church connect with you and you connect with us. Realm allows you to manage your personal information and who is allowed to see it, pledge, control your giving, and keep in touch with the groups that matter to you.

If we have your email on file, you should have gotten an email on **September 6** with a subject line of "**The Federated Church: Join our online community!**" This message will give instructions to create your login. Be sure to check your Spam and Junk folders if you can't find it.

You can also visit [onrealm.org/fedchurch](http://onrealm.org/fedchurch) to create your account, and download *Connect-Our Church Community* from the App Store or Google Play Store after creating that account.

Bring your laptops, tablets, or smart phones to today's picnic after worship, and the Membership Committee will be standing by to help get your account set up!

For additional information, FAQs, and links, visit [fedchurch.org/realm](http://fedchurch.org/realm).



## Intro to Music Class

**Mondays, September 16—November 18**

**7:30—8:30 pm**

**Bell St. Music Room**

Ever wished that you could sing in the choir, ring with the bell choir, read the music in the hymnals, know more about music history, or start to learn an instrument? This class is for you! Everyone is welcomed to attend this ten-week course to learn just "what is music?"



The class will be led by Joshua Konow, Director of Music Ministries. Classes will explore how to read music, how to sing and feel confident in performance, dive into music history and theory, and answer questions you have. All ages and experiences welcome!

Register by contacting Joshua Konow at [jkonow@fedchurch.org](mailto:jkonow@fedchurch.org) or 440.247.6490 x120.

## Spirituality 101

**Led by Mary Senechal & Rev. Judith Bryan**

What is spirituality? What is the spiritual life? How can we be more aware of God's movement and presence in our lives? How might we explore our internal life and relationship with God? How can we strengthen our spiritual life?

Through study, discussion and practice we will seek to deepen our relationship with the Holy One and one another. Mary and Judith will provide short readings, facilitate conversation and guide a variety of prayer practices that have sustained Christians over the centuries. This series takes place **Wednesday evenings 7-9 pm, September 11-October 16**. The series is intended for men and women of all ages and stages in their faith development journey.

To sign up, please email Mary Senechal at [msart@windstream.net](mailto:msart@windstream.net) or call 440.247.6490.

## Primetime Federated Forum

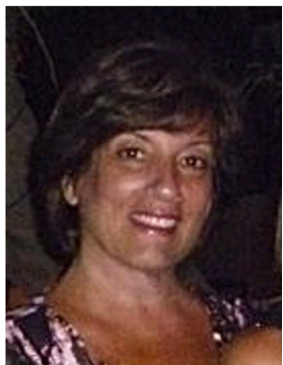
**TOMORROW, September 9 in Fellowship Hall**

**Gather at 1:30 pm; Presentation at 2:00 pm**

**Presenter:** Felicia Stadelman

**Subject:** Dr. Seuss, "Through the Eyes of the Artist"

This program is for people of all ages interested in uncovering the fascinating details of the lives and works of some of our most renowned and influential artists, including an exclusive view into the life of Dr. Seuss, through the artist's perspective.



## Tuesday Morning Yoga

**Tuesday Mornings, 10:00-11:15 am**

**Relocated to Bell St Fellowship Hall**

A gentle, meditative yoga practice in a warm and inviting community. Let yoga offer an answer to a nervous system on overdrive or a body that craves more movement. Move & breathe, relax & center. When we're healthy in body, mind, and spirit we can be of better service in the world and enjoy our families and life with greater pleasure & ease.

New to yoga? You are welcome here. Bring a yoga mat & blanket, and dress comfortably. Seven classes for \$85 or drop-in for \$15 each.

Contact Polly Manke at with questions or to sign up at [polly@pollymanke.com](mailto:polly@pollymanke.com).

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## Men's Breakfast

Saturday, September 14

8:00—10:00 am

Bell St. Fellowship Hall

Come hear: Court Durkalski

Topic: The Necessity of Foundation

- President of the Board of Teen Challenge of Greater Cleveland
- Serves on the Executive Board of Directors for Convoy of Hope
- Author of the book *Winning at Work*
- Currently pursuing his Masters of Divinity from the King's University in Southlake, TX.

### Reservations:

Call

440.247.6490.

**Cost:** \$10

payable at the door (includes hot breakfast)



## Parking Update

**Chagrin Falls Intermediate School** – The parking lot is open, and we have a formal parking agreement with the school to park there on Sundays. Parking at other times might be restricted. Please pay attention to any signage or updates.

**Limited Mobility** – On Sunday mornings, let's reserve as much of our main lot for those who could use the extra support by having a shorter distance to walk. If you are physically able to park in and walk from the Shibley lot (across from the Marathon gas station), on Vincent Street, or in the Intermediate School lot, please do!

**Green Striped Spaces** – Monday through Saturday, 8:00 am-8:00 pm, green striped spaces are reserved for cars with Village Parking Permits. Those without permits will be ticketed. When "Church Parking Only" signs are out, those spaces are then reserved for Federated services and events.



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## Children's Ministries is looking for donations!

The Children's Ministries department is in need of **decorative paper napkins**. Do you have a few flowered or birthday napkins leftover from a party and don't know what to do with them? We will take them! Any design, any shape and in any number quantity (We do not need plain colored ones).

We are also looking for **white rope lighting**. This can be any length and does not have to be new, it just needs to work and needs to be white.

And lastly, we are in need of **empty paper towel rolls**. (Please no toilet paper rolls).

Please drop off your donations at the Reception Desk with a note labeled "Children's Ministries."

Please contact Kiersti with questions,  
[kcritchfield@fedchurch.org](mailto:kcritchfield@fedchurch.org)  
Thank you in advance for your donations.

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## This Week in Sunday School

### Theme

### Bible Story

### Truth

Kids Cove (Birth-Preschool) (Room G20)

Better  
Together

David and  
Johnathan I  
Samuel 18:1-4

God Gives  
me Good  
Friends

### Theme

### Bible Story

### Truth

Discovery Island (K-5th Grade) (Room 220)

Woman at the  
Well—intro

John 4:1-41

Come and  
see Jesus

Rev. Susi Kawolics is presenting a class offered by Cleveland Ecumenical Institute of Religious Studies (CEIRS).

Celebrate the Fall Equinox With a  
**LABYRINTH EXPERIENCE**  
*Balancing, Releasing and Receiving*

**A Saturday Workshop: September 21**  
**9:30 am—12:00 pm**  
**Family Life Center (16349 Chillicothe Rd.)**

Cost: \$30 (*First time registrants with CEIRS receive a 50% discount!*)

Are you seeking a way to broaden your spiritual practices and to embrace an autumn spirituality of release and reception?

Rev. Susi Kawolics, a trained labyrinth facilitator, will present on labyrinth as spiritual tool for letting go and making room to receive, and share some experiences with labyrinth. There will be opportunity for labyrinth walking (indoor and outdoor) and reflection on the experience.

Register online at:  
[ceirs.org/registration/2019-fall-registration-online/](http://ceirs.org/registration/2019-fall-registration-online/)

## Movie Night

**Monday, September 16 | 7:00—9:00 pm**  
**Bell St. Fellowship Hall**

### Movie—*Flow: For the Love of Water*

Everyone is invited to attend this movie night and discussion. “Flow” is an award-winning documentary investigation into the world water crisis which experts have labeled the most important political and environmental issue of the century.

“Flow” confronts the disturbing reality that our crucial resource is dwindling and greed just may be the cause. Along with identifying the world water crisis, “Flow” gives viewers a look at the people and institutions providing practical solutions to the water crisis and developing new technologies which are becoming blueprints for a successful global and economic turnaround.



## 4 Easy Ways to Give



service

Sundays 10:00  
and  
11:30 (as of 9/15)



mobile

App: "Connect –  
Our Church  
Community"



text

"fedchurch" to  
73256



online

[www.fedchurch.  
org/giving](http://www.fedchurch.org/giving)

### Kristen Walenga is Featured Artist in Federated Gallery

Stop by our gallery on the Lobby Level near Fellowship Hall to check out the beautiful art by Kristen Walenga.

*"I'm mostly self-taught; I love colors, designs, and shapes that I see all around me. I create when challenged by a photo, a particular fabric, an article in a magazine, or a memory. It is surprising to most people how much time goes into a piece... I find joy in the process as much as the product, though. I think my works represent my path of finding myself as an artist."*

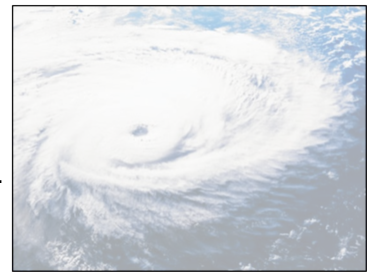


### Hurricane Disaster Relief Donations Needed

You can use any of the methods below to contribute through Federated Church:

1. Text "**FEDCHURCH HURRICANE \$\$\$\$**" to "73256"
2. Use the **Realm Connect** app: Select "Giving" then "Make a Gift"
3. Go to **fedchurch.org/giving**
4. Write a **check** or donate **cash**—designated "**Hurricane Disaster Relief**"

Questions? Contact Janis at 440.247.6490 x114 or [business@fedchurch.org](mailto:business@fedchurch.org).





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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***

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## SUNDAY September 8

10:00 am Rally Day Combined Worship Service  
10:00 am Sunday School (K-5)  
11am-1pm Rally Day Picnic  
8:00 pm AA Sunday Open Hearth Mtg

## FRIDAY September 13

9:30 am Women's Bible Study—away  
12:00 pm Friday Big Book AA Mtg  
1:00 pm Mahjong  
8:00 pm Chagrin Falls Friday AA Mtg

## MONDAY September 9

10:00 am Primetime Pillows for Hospice Sewing  
10:00 am Primetime Tai Chi Class  
10:15 am Monday Morning Miracles Mtg  
1:30 pm Primetime Federated Forum  
2:00 pm SJAM Leaders Mtg  
3:15 pm Primetime Ministry Team Mtg  
4:00 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal  
7:00 pm Additional Possibilities Task Force Mtg  
7:00 pm Congregational Care Commission Mtg

## SATURDAY September 14

8:00 am Men's Breakfast

## SUNDAY September 15

10:00 am Traditional Worship Service  
10:00 am Sunday School (K-8)  
11:00 am Coffee Fellowship  
11:30 am RISE to Shine Worship  
5:00 pm JOY (Jr. High Youth Group) Kick-Off  
6:30 pm GROUP (Sr. High Youth Group)  
Kick-Off Party  
8:00 pm AA Sunday Open Hearth Mtg

## TUESDAY September 10

10:00 am Tributaries: Yoga~Spirit~Renewal  
10:00 am Pastoral Care Mtg  
7:00 pm Mission & Service Commission Mtg  
7:00 pm AA Fireside Mtg  
7:00 pm Spiritual Formation Commission Mtg  
7:30 pm RISE to Shine Band Rehearsal

## WEDNESDAY September 11

7:30 am Contemplative Prayer—away  
12:00 pm AA Twelve to One Mtg  
7:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal  
7:00 pm Spirituality 101  
7:30 pm Women on the Move AA Mtg  
7:30 pm SLAA/Augustine Fellowship Mtg

## THURSDAY September 12

8:30 am Men's Discussion Group  
9:00 am Ladies Prayer Group  
**10:00 am *Primetime Trip to Buckin' Ohio & Creekbed Ranch***  
10:00 am Sit & Stitch  
10:30 am Tributaries: Chair Pilates  
6:00 pm Thursday Women's Happy Hour AA Mtg  
6:30 pm ACA Mtg  
7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

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

**Cindy and John Hollister** 15775 N Ridge Dr. Novelty, OH 44072 on the death of Cindy's father, Sandy Treat, on September 1.

**Andy Hollister** 13785 Ford Ln Apt 7, Burton, OH 44021 on the death of Andy's grandfather, Sandy Treat, on September 1.

**Bernadette Jekutis** 269 Hickory Hill Rd. Chagrin Falls, OH 44022 on the death of her sister, Beth, on September 1.

For September, the Mission & Service Commission is asking us to keep in prayer one of our church's mission partners, **Family Promise of Greater Cleveland**.

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

Jody Halley, 440.591.8703; Gayle Bauer, Vivian Platek, Trina Gigax, Martine Scheuermann.

*If you have other concerns or praises you would like held in prayer, please fill out a Blue Prayer Card and put it in the prayer box, or email [pastoralcare@fedchurch.org](mailto:pastoralcare@fedchurch.org). Our Prayer and Praise Ministry Team and our staff will pray for your request. If you would like to be on this ministry team, please email Harriett Rogers: [harriett.rogers41@yahoo.com](mailto:harriett.rogers41@yahoo.com).*

**Fellowship Treats:** Today is Rally Day! We will have beef and veggie burgers, hot dogs, veggies and beverages available. Thank you to **congregation members** who brought in side dishes to share. We invite you to join us in the parking lot for fun after worship for family fun.

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.

September 15 – **members with last names beginning C or D**

September 22 – **members with last names beginning E, F or G**

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