



# FEDERATED CHURCH

## United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming Congregation

September 22

# Welcome!

Upcoming Activities and Opportunities at Federated

## 11:30 RISE to Shine



Spirited and Invitational Music

Welcome and Announcements

Offertory invitation

Offertory song

Scripture

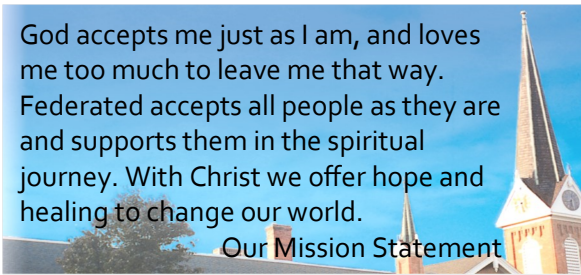
Sermon

Song

Blessing

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



## Ahead At The Fed

### Sunday, September 29

100th Anniversary Celebration Kick-Off

Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

10 am Traditional Worship and Sunday School  
*Music by Adult Choir, Children's Choir & Bell Choir*

11:30 am RISE to Shine Worship  
*Music by RISE to Shine Band & Children's Choir*

### September 29 - Scriptures

Romans 6:1-4

Matthew 3:13-17

### Sunday, October 6

Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

Communion Served

UCC Neighbors in Need offering collected

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

11:30 am RISE to Shine Worship  
*Music by RISE to Shine Band*

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**, *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 available to answer any questions you may have and will be happy to assist you in any way.



Federated will be hosting the Inspiration Tea and a day of CDFF films. More information and tickets available at [chagrinfilmfest.org](http://chagrinfilmfest.org).

## Inspiration Tea

Thursday, October 3 | 2:45 pm

An afternoon tea with thought-provoking shorts and the film that inspired the festival's founding.

Films: *Learning to Skateboard in a War-zone (if you're a girl)* (40 mins.)  
*The Lost Sparrows of Roodepoort* (28 mins.)

## CDFF Films

Saturday, October 5

10:45 am

**Guanajuato Norte** (23 mins.)  
**Losing Ground** (54 mins.)

1:00 pm

**Drug\$** (79 mins.)

3:00 pm

**Against the Wall** (39 mins.)  
**Trail Magic** (50 mins.)

5:15 pm

**Norman Mineta and His Legacy: An American Story** (79 mins.)

## Are you on Realm?

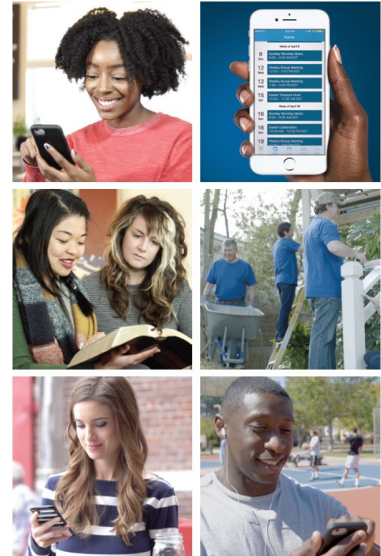
On Sundays in September, folks from the Membership Committee will be available in Fellowship Hall during coffee fellowship to help you GET CONNECTED. Stop by today!

## Let's get connected.

Download our Connect app today.

- 📄 Update your personal information
- 👥 Communicate with groups & teams
- 📅 Follow church announcements
- 🔍 Look up members
- 💰 Manage giving
- 📅 Create and join events

Let's be the church... together.



## Centennial Celebration Kick-Off Next Sunday, September 29

This year marks 100 years since Federated Church was born as a result of the federation of the Congregational and Disciples of Christ churches.

Join us next Sunday as we kick off a year of celebrations. The sermon will have a special relation to the history of Federated. During fellowship hour between the services, cake and other treats will be provided, and cloth bags that will have been blessed during the service will be available to take home.

More information about our history can be found at [fedchurch.org/history](http://fedchurch.org/history).

## Children's Ministries still needs 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.

## Men's Breakfast

RESCHEDULED: Saturday, September 28

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 *Winning at Work*
- Currently pursuing his Masters of Divinity from the King's University in Southlake, TX.

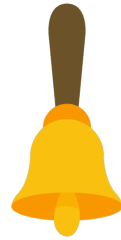


**Reservations:** Call 440.247.6490.

**Cost:** \$10 payable at the door (includes hot breakfast)

## The Federated Bell Choir is looking for more ringers!

Ever wondered how all those handbells can make such beautiful music together? Come find out! If you can count to four, then ringing bells could be for you!



Practices are on Wednesday nights and we play one Sunday a month. For more details, contact director Thaddeus Quintin at [handbells@quiddle.net](mailto:handbells@quiddle.net).

## Kiersti Critchfield moves to Pastoral Care

Kiersti Critchfield will be taking on a new role on staff as the Pastoral Care Administrator starting tomorrow. Formerly Director of Children's Faith Formation, she has had such a rich and fulfilling ministry with our children. Now she feels a new calling to serve a different population. In her new role, she will be coordinating our pastoral ministry and overseeing Federated's response to the needs of our congregants. She brings a rare combination of gifts to the work of pastoral care with a deeply caring heart and a keen eye to detail. We couldn't be happier to welcome Kiersti to this new position.

We will now be filling the role of Director of Children's Faith Formation. If you know someone who would be a good fit, please contact Amy at [aeugene@fedchurch.org](mailto:aeugene@fedchurch.org). A position description is available at [fedchurch.org/jobs](http://fedchurch.org/jobs). In the meantime, Marty Culbertson ([mculbert@fedchurch.org](mailto:mculbert@fedchurch.org)) will be coordinating weekly faith formation for our children.



## This Week in Sunday School

Theme	Bible Story	Truth	Theme	Bible Story	Truth
Kids Cove (Birth-Preschool) (Room G20)			Discovery Island (K-5th Grade) (Room 220)		
Better Together	David praises God II Samuel 9:1-13	God Gives me Good Friends	Woman at the Well—art	John 4:1-41	Come and see Jesus

### Communion for Shut-ins Ministry

Wednesday, October 2 | 11:30 am  
Bell St. Lounge

Communion is a solemn and sacred moment between God and you. Imagine how you would feel being unable to participate in Communion with your church family because of a prolonged physical or mental condition?

The Congregational Care Commission is sponsoring a light lunch followed by training to provide Communion to the Confined.



Individuals who feel called to this ministry should register to attend this session led by Senior Pastor, Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton. Once trained, you will serve the Sunday's communion elements to shut-ins in their homes at a mutually agreed upon time.

During the training you will learn about the Sacrament of Communion including its meaning and how it could be served to individuals in different situations.

If you have any questions, please contact Peggie Jo Shinagawa at 440.543.5974. You may register for the training by calling 440.247.6490.

Tributaries:

### Gentle Slow Flow Yoga

Offered by Dawn Dole, RYT200

Wednesday/Thursday evenings 7:00—8:15 pm

September 18—December 11

Bell St. Room 230

With this yoga practice, we will engage in the intentional practice of connecting our entire being, body, breath, mind and spirit with God.

Through meditation, movement, and breath, we invite ourselves to journey with the Holy Spirit and live into God's Grace. This class will incorporate Vinyasa slow flow to maintain awareness and focus on the breath.

This class introduces basic yoga postures that serve as the foundation for each class sequence. Modifications will be suggested as needed. It is open to everyone with the ability to move through seated, standing, kneeling, and reclined positions unassisted.

Bring a yoga mat and wear loose clothing. Please arrive 5-10 minutes early. RSVPs appreciated: Dawn Dole at [newdayyoga.dawn@gmail.com](mailto:newdayyoga.dawn@gmail.com).

Drop in fee of **\$10 per class** is suggested. A portion will go to Federated Church to support the programs of the church.



## Rev. Susi Kawolics is Retiring

Reverend Susi Kawolics will be retiring from her position as Associate Pastor. Her last Sunday will be December 22, 2019, and she will preach at both services. A letter and email have been sent to the congregation with Susi's reflection on her ministry here and her decision to retire. While we will miss her tremendously, we are also immensely thankful for her ministry and look forward to gratefully celebrating her presence at Federated over these next few months.



Tributaries:

## Yoga Spirit Gentleness

Tuesday Mornings, 10:00-11:15 am  
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).

## 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.

*Back by popular demand!*

## All Church Potluck

Sunday, October 13 | 5:00—7:00 pm  
At Frohring Meadows  
(16780 Savage Rd., Chagrin Falls)

Bring your own place setting and a favorite fall dish to share.

Cider will be provided—if anything else is desired you may bring it.



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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 22

10:00 am Traditional Worship Service  
10:00 am Sunday School (K-8)  
10:00 am Kids Cove Childcare  
11:00 am Coffee Fellowship  
11:15 am SJAM Mtg  
11:30 am RISE to Shine Worship  
11:30 am Kids Cove Childcare  
6:30 pm GROUP (Sr. High Youth Group) Mtg  
8:00 pm AA Sunday Open Hearth Mtg

## THURSDAY September 26

8:00 pm THE SPIRE Newsletter Preparations  
8:30 am Men's Discussion Group  
9:00 am Ladies Prayer Group  
9:00 am Liturgical Dance Rehearsal  
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

## MONDAY September 23

8:00 am Real Estate Task Force Mtg  
10:00 am Primetime Tai Chi Class  
10:00 am SDO Mtg  
10:15 am Monday Morning Miracles Mtg  
4:00 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal  
6:00 pm Finance Committee Mtg  
7:30 pm Intro to Music Class

## FRIDAY September 27

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

## TUESDAY September 24

10:00 am Pastoral Care Mtg  
10:00 am Tributaries: Yoga~Spirit~Renewal  
5:00 pm HR Committee Mtg  
7:00 pm AA Fireside Mtg  
7:30 pm RISE to Shine Band Rehearsal

## SATURDAY September 28

8:00 am Men's Breakfast

## WEDNESDAY September 25

7:30 am Contemplative Prayer—away  
12:00 pm AA Twelve to One Mtg  
5:15 pm Same Boat Friends carpool to dinner  
7:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal  
7:00 pm Spirituality 101  
7:00 pm Tributaries: Gentle Slow Flow Yoga  
7:30 pm Women on the Move AA Mtg  
7:30 pm SLAA/Augustine Fellowship Mtg

## SUNDAY September 29

9:00 am Loaves & Fishes—Sharing a Meal  
10:00 am Traditional Worship Service  
10:00 am Sunday School (K-8)  
10:00 am Kids Cove Childcare  
11:00 am Coffee Fellowship  
11:00 am Confirmation Family Information Mtg  
11:30 am RISE to Shine Worship  
11:30 am Kids Cove Childcare  
12:30 pm JOY (Jr. High Youth Group) Mtg  
6:30 pm GROUP (Sr. High Youth Group) Mtg  
8:00 pm AA Sunday Open Hearth Mtg

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

**Joan Jenkins**, 5665 Grace Woods Dr Unit 309, Willoughby, OH 44094-8190, on the death of her husband, **Tim Jenkins**, on Sept 19.

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

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:**

Myia Sterling, 440.338.4893; Carol Kelly, Elsie Lutman, Janet Peters, Sonja Solar, Nelson Fenner.

*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).*

## **Altar Flowers**

The altar flowers this morning are given in honor of the 90th birthday of Aims (Joe) Coney by his loving wife, Rita.

**Fellowship Treats:** Thank you to **congregation members with last names ending E, F or G** for providing today's treats. We invite you to join us in Fellowship Hall between the services for food and fellowship.

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 29 – **100 Year Celebration! Treats provided by the Telling Our Story Commission**

October 6 – **members with last names beginning H, I, J or K**

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