



FEDERATED CHURCH
United Church of Christ
An Open and Affirming Congregation

October 6

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

Communion

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, October 13

Rev. Susi Kawolics 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

October 13 - Scriptures

II Kings 5:1-3, 7-15C

John 9:1-11

Sunday, October 20

Rev. 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

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*

* **Janis Stefanchik**, *Bookkeeper*

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

* **Kiersti Critchfield**, *Pastoral Care Administrator*

* **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*

* **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.



*A spiritual growth academy for the community.
A portion of proceeds go to support programs of
Federated Church. Visit fedchurch.org/tributaries.*

Yoga Spirit Renewal

Tuesdays | 10-11:15 am

Fellowship Hall Tuition: \$15 Drop-in

A gentle, meditative yoga practice. Move & breathe, relax & center. Be healthy in body, mind, and spirit and of better service in the world.

Contact: polly@pollymanke.com

Gentle Slow Flow Yoga

Weds/Thurs through Dec. 11 | 7-8:15 pm

Room 230 Tuition: \$10 Drop-in

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

Contact: newdayyoga.dawn@gmail.com

Balance, Balls and Bands

Thursdays | 10:30-11:30

Fellowship Hall Tuition: \$10 Drop-in

A new integrative mind body approach done with chair support to improve balance, strength & flexibility and modified to your tolerance.

Contact: schakell51@aol.com

Reiki I & II Training

Friday, October 18 | 6-9 pm

Saturday, October 19 | 9:30 am-4 pm

Polly's Home Studio Tuition: \$269

This Japanese energy healing technique promotes health & well-being, relieves stress, promotes relaxation, speeds recovery, and reduces pain.

Contact: polly@pollymanke.com

Neighbors in Need Offering

Collected TODAY!

Neighbors in Need is the UCC's annual offering to support ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One third of the offering supports the UCC's Council for American Indian Ministries (CAIM). Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries to fund a wide array of local and national justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects.



Neighbors in Need grants are awarded to UCC churches and organizations doing justice work in their communities. These grants fund projects whose work ranges from direct service to community organizing and advocacy to address systemic injustice. This year, special consideration will be given to projects focusing on serving our immigrant neighbors and communities.

Hiring Director of Children's Faith Formation

Federated is seeking a Director of Children's Faith Formation to develop and implement Christian faith formation programming for children in Kindergarten through the 5th grade. The programming is comprehensive and integrated with the Youth and Family Faith Formation of Federated Church. The director collaborates with others to cultivate milestones of faith formation, network with and nurture parents, and design Sunday experiences that create curiosity, allow for expression, and engage in service. The director also oversees Sunday School, childcare providers, and volunteers.

The role is a part-time (20 hours/week), year-round, temporary position (September 2019 - June 2020). Salary is commensurate with education and experience.

Contact: Amy Eugene, Senior Director of Operations, 440.247.2197 x110 or aeugene@fedchurch.org.

Primetime Fundraiser: Let's Raise Some Fun— Blind Squirrel Winery in Bainbridge

Wednesday, October 16 | 6:00—8:00 pm
Blind Squirrel Winery, 7918 Pettibone Rd.,
Bainbridge

Cost: \$55. Includes dinner and wine tasting.

Reservations: Call 440.247.6490 by TOMORROW, October 7.

Come and *wine* down as we enjoy a tasting of three of their most popular wines. We will have appetizers, salad, chicken marsala, pizza, and cookies. We will also have raffle prizes!

Bill and Cookie Delgado own the winery. Bill will tell us about how their love for wine brought about the Blind Squirrel Winery and all they had to go through to get it up and running.

This fundraiser will help Primetime continue our mission to provide enriching opportunities for social involvement and a sense of community in our congregation and beyond.

Kristen Walenga Art Tour

Are you curious about the Fiber Art hangings in our first floor gallery space? How did they develop? What places inspired them? Kristen will tell all!

Take a tour of her Fiber Art show **TODAY at 11:15!** Meet at the bottom of the staircase by her art.



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.

Questions? Contact Karen Zoltowicz
at 330.348.0084.



Now Accepting Applications for Christmas Eve Offering Recipient

Each Christmas Eve, the Federated Church collects a special offering to benefit an organization, based locally, nationally, or globally, whose specific goals are to improve the lives of those in need, in turn enriching our world. We welcome proposals for one-time funding support to help with capital projects, program development, enhancement or expansion. The Christmas Eve offering is just the beginning of what we hope will be a year-long partnership of mission engagement with the recipient.

Please spread the word! You will find the application at www.fedchurch.org/xmaseve.
It must be completed and received by 5:00 pm, Friday, October 25 to be considered.

If you have questions, contact Marty Culbertson, Staff Liaison to the Mission & Service Commission, mculbert@fedchurch.org.

Fed Family Fellowship Fall Party

Saturday, October 12 | 4:00—7:00 pm
At the LeFeber Home: 18670 Auburn Glen Drive

Fed families! It's time for fall fun. We've missed you!

Join us as we gather for chili, hot dogs, lawn games, a bonfire and quality time together. Please bring an outdoor game and dish to share.

RSVP to Kristin LeFeber at kristinlefeber@gmail.com or 703.434.9851.



SJAM Movie Night

Monday, October 21 | 7:00 pm
Bell St. Fellowship Hall

The Movie: **“The Flint, Michigan Water Crisis”**

Join our Social Justice Advocacy Ministry (SJAM) as we watch a documentary that outlines what really happened in the community of Flint, Michigan. The water crisis there was an environmental issue, a racial justice issue, an issue of poverty, an issue of health, and an issue of trust and honesty.

Five years ago, the city of Flint switched its water to the Flint River. Citizens soon complained of dirty, foul-smelling water. Doctors found evidence of high lead levels in children. Outside researchers proved the city's water (because of a lack of corrosion control) was corroding pipes, bacteria levels skyrocketed, and thousands of people were without clean water. And throughout this process, the city officials said everything was fine, nothing to be concerned about.



New Members Class

(aka Inquirers Class)
Saturday, November 2
9:00 am—2:00 pm
Bell St. Lounge

Our next new members class, which we call, appropriately enough, an Inquirers Class, is coming up soon. If you are new to Federated you won't want to miss this opportunity to explore the programs and purpose of The Federated Church and to take a fresh look at the meaning of Christ for our times.

Classes are held in the fall and the spring. For the fall class, the content is streamlined so that it fits into a single day. This is a great option for young parents who find it difficult to attend the spring evening classes. Lunch will be served and childcare is available upon request. Those who attend the class and wish to join Federated will be received into membership on Sunday, November 10.

Sign up by calling the church at 440.247.6490 or by emailing Melinda Smith at smithm@fedchurch.org.

Holy Pedals Batman...

JOY (Jr. High Youth) Kids are Collecting Books and Bikes

The Lesotho Connection is currently collecting items to fill a shipping container of medical equipment through MedWish. We are collecting books and bikes to send to the orphanage they support.



This year, they are building a room next to the orphanage to be used as a library—the first in their district! They can really use children's books, especially picture books, for younger kids who do not yet speak English. They would also like books for young adults to practice reading as they learn English.

They also are looking for used bicycles, tricycles and riding toys that the kids can play with. Last year, we were able to send a few bikes and toys that have been in constant use by the children since. Sturdy, uncomplicated bikes are best. We will fix them up before sending them, if needed.



If you have a **bike**, contact Marty Culbertson (mculbert@fedchurch.org) for drop off information. **Books** can be brought to the Church Lobby to the box labeled "BOOKS."



Capital Campaign Update

So who got first dibs on the newly reupholstered chairs in the Sanctuary this past Sunday?



The new ones look so nice in the conference room too! The new padding will make them super comfortable during church meetings. They have been with us for a long time, and with this renovation, we'll be able to use them for years to come!

Many thanks to Bill & Kathy Franz who associated their campaign gift with this Giving Opportunity and to Keith Mast for coordinating the completion of this campaign project!

Primetime Federated Forum

Monday, October 14 in Fellowship Hall
Gather at 1:30 pm; Presentation at 2:00 pm

Presenters: Lori Muller-Zaim and Susann Sloan from the Fireside Bookshop in Chagrin Falls

Subject: "Books that Changed the World"

Lori and Susann will discuss books that "changed the world" and introduce us to some current bestsellers. They will also address the "next generation" and what the young people of today are currently reading. They will talk about the history of the shop, which has been in existence for 56 years and remains a cornerstone of the local shopping district.



Weekly Calendar

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***

SUNDAY October 6

10:00 am Traditional Worship Service
10:00 am Sunday School (K-5)
10:00 am Kids Cove Childcare
11:00 am Coffee Fellowship
11:15 am Walenga Art Tour
11:30 am RISE to Shine Worship
11:30 am Kids Cove Childcare
1:30 pm Memorial Service for JoAnn Leavenworth
2:30 pm Reception for Leavenworth Service
4:30 pm JOY (Jr. High Youth Group) Mtg
6:30 pm GROUP (Sr. High Youth Group) Mtg
8:00 pm AA Sunday Open Hearth Mtg

MONDAY October 7

10:00 am Primetime Tai Chi Class
10:15 am Monday Morning Miracles Mtg
4:00 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal
7:30 pm Intro to Music Class

TUESDAY October 8

10:00 am Pastoral Care Mtg
10:00 am Tributaries: Yoga~Spirit~Renewal
12:00 pm Primetime Lunch out: Blazin Bills
7:00 pm AA Fireside Mtg
7:00 pm Mission & Service Commission Mtg
7:00 pm Spiritual Formation Commission Mtg
7:30 pm RISE to Shine Band Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY October 9

7:30 am Contemplative Prayer—away
12:00 pm AA Twelve to One Mtg
12:00 pm Liturgical Dance 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

THURSDAY October 10

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: Balance, Balls & Bands
6:00 pm Thursday Women's Happy Hour AA Mtg
6:30 pm ACA Mtg
7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm Tributaries: Gentle Slow Flow Yoga

FRIDAY October 11

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

SATURDAY October 12

4:00 pm Fed Family Fellowship Fall Party

SUNDAY October 13

10:00 am Traditional Worship Service
10:00 am Sunday School (K-8)
10:00 am Kids Cove Childcare
11:00 am Coffee Fellowship
11:30 am RISE to Shine Worship
11:30 am Kids Cove Childcare
5:00 pm All-Church Potluck—away
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...*

Those in Federated's extended family who are confined and will share elements from today's Communion table shared by our Communion to the Confined Ministry.

Each week, we ask your prayers for two of our staff members. This week please pray for **Marty Culbertson** and **Bridget Petitti**.

For October, the Mission & Service Commission is asking us to keep in prayer one of our church's mission partners, **JustHope, Stitching Hope and all Nicaraguan Ministries**.

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. 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.

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers this morning are given in loving memory of JoAnn Leavenworth by her children, Ric and Jackie Leavenworth, Phil and Pat Leavenworth, and Leslie Fincun.

Fellowship Treats: Thank you to **members with last names beginning H, I, J or K** 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.

October 13 – **members with last names beginning L or M**

October 20 – **members with last names beginning N, O, P, Q or R**

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