



FEDERATED CHURCH

United Church of Christ

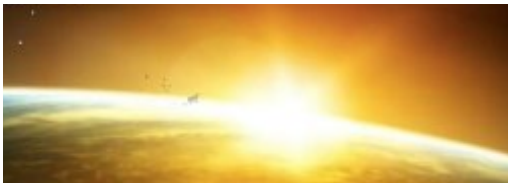
An Open and Affirming Congregation

October 20

Welcome!

Upcoming Activities and Opportunities at Federated

11:30 RISE to Shine



Spirited and Invitational Music

Welcome and Announcements

Offertory invitation

Offertory song

Scripture

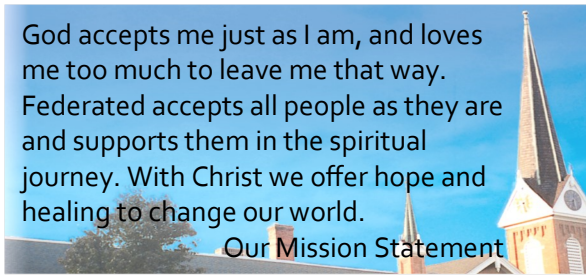
Sermon

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, October 27—

Commitment Sunday

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

10 am Traditional Worship and Sunday School

Music by Children's Choir & Bell Choir

Liturgical Dancers perform

11:30 am RISE to Shine Worship

Music by RISE to Shine Band &

Children's Choir

October 27 - Scriptures

Romans 12:1-21

Luke 17:11-19

Sunday, November 3

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

Communion Served

Daylight Saving Time Ends

10 am Traditional Worship and Sunday School

Music by Adult Choir

11am-12pm Mission & Involvement Fair

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 Snavely**, 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.

Tributaries

Feeding the River of Spiritual Life

*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

Mission & Involvement Fair
Sunday, November 3 | 11:00 am—12:00 pm
Bell St. Fellowship Hall



The Federated Church is remarkable! The opportunities offered here that feed body, mind and soul are innumerable... such as inspiring worship services, welcoming fellowship groups and fun activities. Not only are our members and visitors embraced by an extravagant welcome, but we in turn are given a wide variety of opportunities to express our gratitude by extending that extravagant welcome to others. As Hamilton reminds us, faith is a verb ... and being affirming requires action!

Come to the Mission & Involvement Fair on November 3 to learn about the wide variety of ministries, organizations and clubs through which we can put our faith into action, either within our own church community (such as the Stephen and Angel Ministries) or through service in our larger community (such as SJAM, St. Paul's, or Friends of Nicaragua). And there are so many more! Enthusiastic participants will share their experiences and happily answer your questions.

Come! Treat yourself to delicious snacks while you make the rounds and find out what's happening!

SJAM Movie Night
TOMORROW, October 21 | 7:00 pm
Bell St. Fellowship Hall

The Movie: **"Poisoned Water"**

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.



4 Easy Ways to Give



service

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



mobile

App: "Connect –
Our Church
Community"



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"fedchurch" to
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online

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

Applications for 2019 Christmas Eve Offering Recipient: Deadline is this week!

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

THIS FRIDAY, October 25 at 5:00 pm to be considered.

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

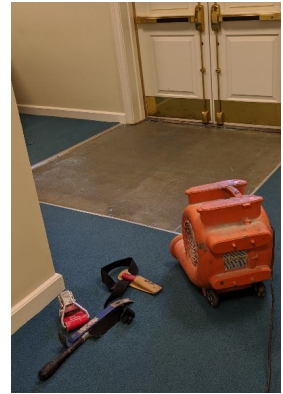
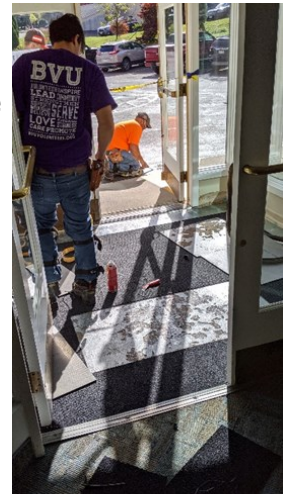
Capital Campaign & Projects Update

Last month, a group of folks met to determine: **Capital Campaign Projects - Where Are We Now?** Keith Mast, Becky Gruss, Amy Eugene, Laura Taylor, and Janis Stefanchik met to make sure that we are keeping track of all campaign payments that are coming in, campaign bills that are being paid, and the progress of each capital campaign project that was approved by Church Council. We are blessed that after 1 ¾ years, the church has already received more than 86% of the cash pledged during the capital campaign. **You made this happen and we are grateful!**

At this point in the *Rejoice & Renew capital* campaign, funds currently received are being used this fall or winter for capital projects, including:

- installing walk-off pads to protect our new carpet at all entrances,
- reupholstering/refurbishing Conference Room/Sanctuary chairs,
- continuing transition to LED lightbulbs,
- repairing westside concrete steps and sidewalk,
- updating audio/visual capabilities at the Family Life Center – replace an old unit with the one formerly used in the Sanctuary and convert to mobile,
- installing a key card entry system at Bell Street, and
- replenishing our Deferred Major Maintenance Fund (it's like a Rainy Day Fund – used when major items at our facilities unexpectedly break.)

Members on the Finance Committee and the Properties Committee, as well as the church operations staff, will continue to meet to make sure that we remain good stewards of the capital campaign payments that are still coming in.



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.

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."



Red Cross Blood Drive

Bell St. Fellowship Hall

Monday, November 4

1:00—6:00 pm

The American Red Cross strives to maintain a safe and stable blood supply. Please do your part by making an appointment to donate blood by calling **1.877.272.7337** to select an appointment time or go online at **redcrossblood.org** or be a "walk-in donor."

Sign up with a friend – what a wonderful way to introduce them to Federated! Due to many recent natural disasters, all blood resources are critical.

If you have any questions, please contact Carole Mason at 440.338.3573 or at wfmason36@gmail.com
Thank you

Recycling at Federated

The rules have changed!
Here are the very few things that are recyclable:



Aluminum cans and lids, cartons, glass bottles, paper/cardboard, plastic bottles/jugs

The following things are *not* recyclable:

Paper coffee cups, stirrer sticks and straws, yogurt cups, plastic utensils, plastic bags, zipper storage bags, plastic wrap, aluminum foil, glassware (ex. flower vases)

Make sure your items are clean and dry with caps on tight. Please do not "wish-cycle" and put items in the bin hoping they will be recycled. That does not work and contaminates everything else in the recycling bin. When in doubt, throw it out!

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 20

- 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
- 3:00 pm Chagrin Arts Event—Callisto String Quartet
- 4:00 pm JOY (Jr. High Youth Group) Mission Event—away
- 6:30 pm GROUP (Sr. High Youth Group) Mtg
- 8:00 pm AA Sunday Open Hearth Mtg

MONDAY October 21

- 10:00 am Primetime Tai Chi Class
- 10:15 am Monday Morning Miracles Mtg
- 1:00 pm Women Fellowship Circle Mtg
- 4:00 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 pm Finance Committee Mtg
- 7:00 pm SJAM Movie Night—*Poisoned Water*
- 7:30 pm Intro to Music Class

TUESDAY October 22

- 8:30 am Liturgical Dance Rehearsal
- 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

WEDNESDAY October 23

- 7:30 am Contemplative Prayer—away
- 12:00 pm AA Twelve to One Mtg
- 7:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 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 24

- 8:00 am THE SPIRE Newsletter Preparations
- 8:30 am Men's Discussion Group
- 9:00 am Ladies Prayer Group
- 10:00 am Sit & Stitch
- 10:30 am *Primetime Mystery Trip***
- 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 25

- 9:30 am Women's Bible Study—away
- 12:00 pm Friday Big Book AA Mtg
- 1:00 pm Liturgical Dance Rehearsal
- 1:00 pm Mahjong
- 5:00 pm Deadline for Christmas Eve Offering Applications
- 8:00 pm Chagrin Falls Friday AA Mtg

SATURDAY October 26

- 3:00 pm Memorial Service for Chuck King IV
- 4:00 pm Reception for King Memorial Service
- 5:00 pm JOY (Jr. High Youth Group) City Mission Trunk or Treat—away

SUNDAY October 27—Commitment Sunday

- 9:00 am Loaves & Fishes—Sharing a Meal
- 9:30 am GROUP helps at Loaves & Fishes
- 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
- 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....*

Each week, we ask your prayers for two of our staff members. This week please pray for **Hamilton Throckmorton** and **Mark Simone**.

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:

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 Kiersti at kcritchfield@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 remembrance of Ed Pierson's birthday with love from Marilyn, Ward, and Melanie Pierson.

Fellowship Treats: Thank you to **members with last names beginning N, O, P, Q or R** 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 27 – **members with last names beginning S or T**

November 4 – **members with last names beginning N, O, P, Q or R**

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