



FEDERATED CHURCH

United Church of Christ

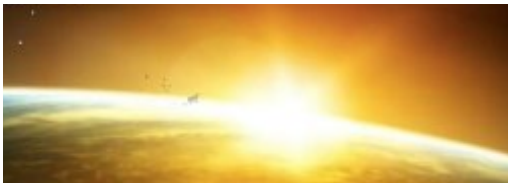
An Open and Affirming Congregation

October 27

Welcome!

Upcoming Activities and Opportunities at Federated

11:30 RISE to Shine



Spirited and Invitational Music

Welcome and Announcements

Offertory invitation

Offertory song

Scripture

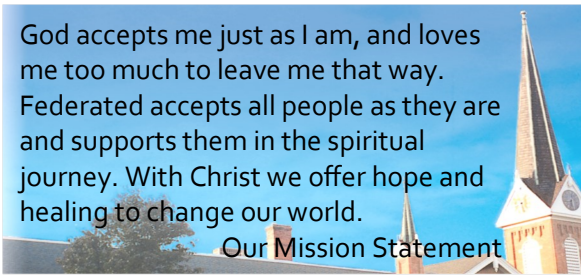
Sermon

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, 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

November 3 - Scriptures

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Psalm 119:137-144

Isaiah 1:10-18

Psalm 32:1-7

II Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Luke 19:1-10

Sunday, November 10

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

New members join

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 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

* **Kristin LeFeber**, 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.

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

Next 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!

Time to Celebrate Federated's Centennial Anniversary

A Wondrous Wednesday Event

Wednesday, November 13

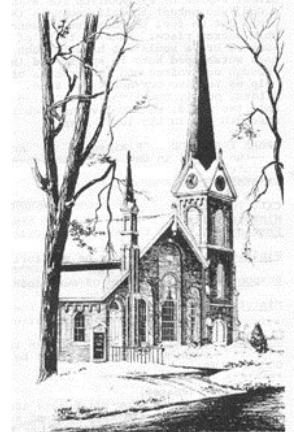
6:00 pm FREE dinner, 7:00 pm program

Bell St. Fellowship Hall

John Bourisseau, from the Chagrin Falls Historical Society, is coming to help us celebrate **100 amazing years** of being Federated Church! Gather with all your church friends at this Wondrous Wednesday event.

We'll have a celebratory dinner at 6 pm, then at 7 pm, John will take us through an informative talk about our 100-year history, complete with PowerPoint pictures.

To reserve food, please reply to: katiesharbage@gmail.com and include your name, and how many are attending. Or, call the church and leave your reservation: 440.247.6490. Vegan dishes will be available.



Invitation to help plan a Worship Series for Advent

Looking for creative minds who love worship. The Worship Planning team is inviting you to take part in helping to plan our Advent worship series. We'd love your creative ideas around music, prayer, scripture, drama, etc.

We will meet at **4:00 pm on Wednesday, October 30 in Room 240** to brainstorm, letting the Spirit inspire and guide us.

If you are interested, please contact Susi Kawolics at skawolics@fedchurch.org or call 440.247.6490 x 102 or just come to the meeting.

Primetime Federated Forum

Monday, November 11 in Fellowship Hall
Gather at 1:30 pm; Presentation at 2:00 pm

Presenter: Fran Bayless

Since 1990, Fran has pursued wildlife and nature photography as an artistic endeavor. From the Arctic to the Antarctic, Fran has endeavored to share and communicate through her images the beauty, vastness, diversity, dramatic scenery and habitats of the animals and birds. Her goal is to draw the viewer into her photographs to experience a moment of wonder, involvement, inspiration, tranquility and beauty. Her work has been accepted into many juried shows and remains on permanent display at various locations.



Immigration Vigil

First Thursday of each month
4:00 pm

The immigration vigils are scheduled for the first Thursday each month. They are led by local clergy from all faiths and held at 4:00 in front of the Federal Building downtown on the corner of East 9th and Lakeside. They are organized by Friends of Immigrants and last about 30 minutes.

The next one is **November 7**, and all are welcome to attend. For information, contact Bill Shaul at 513.280.2836 or theshauls@msn.com.

Primetime Lunch Out

Thursday, November 14, 12:00—1:30 pm
Welshfield Inn (14004 Main Market Rd., Burton)

Primetime will travel to Welshfield Inn for November's Lunch Out. To RSVP, call 440.247.6490 by November 8.

4 Easy Ways to Give



service

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



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App: "Connect –
Our Church
Community"



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"fedchurch" to
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www.fedchurch.org/giving

New Members Class

(aka Inquirers Class)

This 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.

We've Started the Search for "Search" Volunteers!

On **December 8 from 5:00—8:00 pm at Bell St.**, Federated Church will present *Search for the Christ Child*, an interactive journey to Bethlehem, for the fifth time. We are opening our doors and inviting the community to join us to celebrate the birth of Christ.

As you can imagine... this is no small task! We'll need **youth, adults, and babies to play roles** in the production – Mary, Joseph, Jesus, angels, wise men, shepherds, King Herod, and the list goes on. We'll need **volunteers to set up scenes** and to tear them down after the production. We'll need **bakers to provide cookies** for our travelers. We'll need **people who can welcome** and guide and **people who can serve refreshments**. There is something for everyone

We need you! How can **you** help *Search for the Christ Child* come to life?
Join us as we embark on this incredible journey.

Go to fedchurch.org/SFTCC to find the sign-up link and more info.

Questions? Contact Kiersti Critchfield at kcritchfield@fedchurch.org or 440.247.6490 ext. 103.



Book Drive

JOY (Jr. High Youth) Kids are Collecting Books

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. **Books** can be brought to the labeled box in the Church Lobby.

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!

Happy fall, Federated Families! Jill, Eric, Abby and Noah Goodman have invited us for dinner and fellowship. Please bring an appetizer, side, or dessert to share. (Sign up on the "what to bring list" at tinyurl.com/fedsgiving).

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 27—Commitment Sunday

- 9:00 am Loaves & Fishes –Sharing a Meal
- 9:00 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
- 12:00 pm JOY (Jr. High Youth Group) Reverse Trick-or-Treating at Hamlet
- 8:00 pm AA Sunday Open Hearth Mtg

MONDAY October 28

- 10:00 am Primetime Tai Chi Class
- 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

TUESDAY October 29

- 10:00 am Pastoral Care Mtg
- 10:00 am Tributaries: Yoga~Spirit~Renewal
- 12:30 pm Primetime Bridge
- 7:00 pm AA Fireside Mtg
- 7:30 pm RISE to Shine Band Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY October 30

- 7:30 am Contemplative Prayer—away
- 12:00 pm AA Twelve to One Mtg
- 4:00 pm Advent Workshop Planning
- 5:15 pm Same Boat Friends Meet for Dinner
- 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 31

- 8:30 am Men's Discussion Group
- 9:00 am Ladies Prayer Group
- 10:00 am Sit & Stitch
- 10:30 am Tributaries: Balance, Balls & Bands
- 2:00 pm Primetime Bowling—away
- 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 November 1

- 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 November 2

- 8:30 am JOY (Jr. High Youth Group) Mission Outing to MedWish
- 9:00 am Inquirers Class

SUNDAY November 3

- 10:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 10:00 am Sunday School (K-5)
- 10:00 am Kids Cove Childcare
- 11:00 am Coffee Fellowship
- 11am-12pm Mission & Involvement Fair
- 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 **Susi Kawolics** and **Dan Kershner**.

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:

Joyce Ritchie; Carol Basler, Sally Ramsey, Sue Mansour.

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 donated by the King family to honor a life well lived by Chuck King IV.

Fellowship Treats: Thank you to **members with last names beginning S or T** 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.

November 3 – **members with last names beginning U, V, W, X, Y or Z**

November 10 – **members with last names beginning A or B**

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