



FEDERATED CHURCH

United Church of Christ

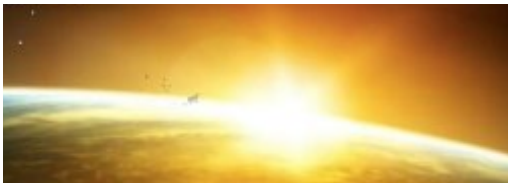
An Open and Affirming Congregation

November 3

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

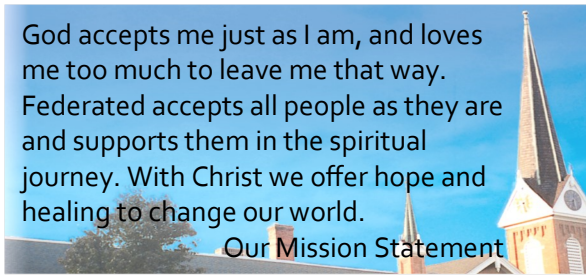
Communion

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, 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

November 10 - Scriptures

Haggai 1:15b-2:0

Psalms 145:1-5, 17-21 or Psalm 98

Job 19:23-27a

Psalm 17:1-9

II Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Luke 20:21-38

Sunday, November 17

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches
Traditional Worship and Sunday School
Music by Bell 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.

Mission & Involvement Fair

TODAY! | 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 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!

Red Cross Blood Drive

Bell St. Fellowship Hall
TOMORROW, November 4
1:00—6:00 pm

GIVE BLOOD

You can make a difference.



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!

Honor A Loved One & Help Decorate for Christmas

Ten beautiful wreaths adorn the doors of our buildings throughout the Advent season. You may honor or memorialize loved ones by contributing \$45 to help purchase one of these wreaths.



Please call the church at 440.247.6490, or contact communications@fedchurch.org if you would like to help decorate the church for the holidays.

Time to Celebrate Federated's Centennial Anniversary

A Wondrous Wednesday Event

Wednesday, November 13

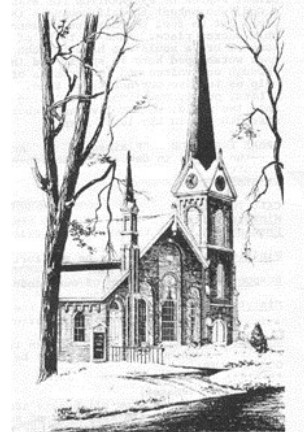
6:00 pm FREE dinner, 7:00 pm program

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.



SJAM Movie Night

Monday, November 18 | 7:00 pm
Fellowship Hall

Movie: *The Public*

Focusing on the issue of homelessness, on the coldest night of the year, a Cincinnati librarian is caught between a group of homeless patrons staging a sit-in and a face-off with the local police and media.



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)



mobile

App: "Connect –
Our Church
Community"



text

"fedchurch" to
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online

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



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).

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.

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 and tear down scenes**. We'll need **bakers to provide cookie**. We'll need people to **welcome, guide or serve refreshments**. There is something for everyone!

We need you! How can **you** help *Search for the Christ Child* come to life?

Stop by our table at the Mission & Involvement fair TODAY!

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.



Ingathering Collection Begins Next Week

Deadline—Sunday, November 24

Each year at Thanksgiving, our sister church, St. Paul's Community Church, packages and gives away 100 food baskets for families who would not otherwise have a holiday dinner. The Monday before Thanksgiving, families come to St. Paul's gym and receive a basket filled with everything they will need for a festive holiday celebration.

Please bring in traditional Thanksgiving foods such as canned vegetables and yams, pie crust mixes, fruit or pumpkin filling, potatoes, and frozen turkeys to the Bell St. Lobby on Sunday, November 10 or 17. On November 24, donations can be left in the Narthex.



Monetary donations are also needed to complete the baskets. Please make checks payable to Federated Church with "Ingathering" in the memo. Let's celebrate our blessings by sharing from our abundance!

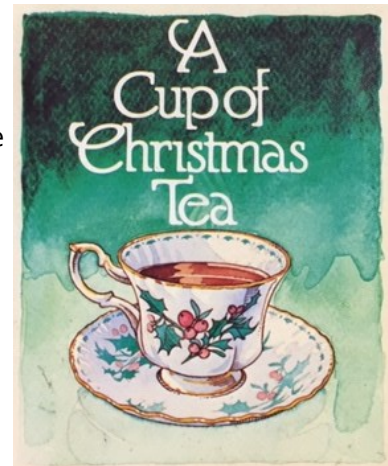
Save the Date for Advent by Candlelight: A Cup of Christmas Tea An Invitation for Women to Prepare for Christ's Coming

Tuesday, December 3 | 7:00 pm | *New Location:* Bell St. Fellowship Hall

The Congregational Care Commission is again offering an opportunity for women to prepare for the coming of Christ. By beginning the season with *Advent by Candlelight*, we hope that your Advent this year might be more peaceful and your preparations more Christ-centered.

Come share this wonderful evening as our guests. You will enjoy beautiful music, delicious food, and warm fellowship.

RSVPs are appreciated. There will be a sign-up sheet between services in November. You can also call the church at 440.247.6490 or stop by the Bell St. reception desk. If possible, bring a sweet or savory treat to share. Finger foods are preferred (no nuts, please).



We encourage you to enjoy this event with family members and friends—all women are welcome!

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 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

MONDAY November 4

10:00 am Primetime Tai Chi Class
10:15 am Monday Morning Miracles Mtg
1-6 pm Red Cross Blood Drive
4:00 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm Finance Committee Mtg
7:30 pm Intro to Music Class

TUESDAY November 5

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

WEDNESDAY November 6

7:30 am Contemplative Prayer—away
10:00 am *Primetime Trip to Ahuja Medical Center Art Tour*
12:00 pm AA Twelve to One Mtg
7:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Mtg
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 November 7

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
4:00 pm Immigration Vigil—away
4:00 pm Memorial Service for Jane Davis
5:00 pm Reception for Davis Service
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 8

9:30 am Women's Bible Study—away
12:00 pm Friday Big Book AA Mtg
1:00 pm Mahjong
5:45 pm Liturgical Dance Rehearsal
8:00 pm Chagrin Falls Friday AA Mtg

SATURDAY November 9

11:00 am Liturgical Dance Rehearsal
11:00 am Memorial Service for George Reeder
12:00 pm Reception for Reeder Service
4:00 pm Family Fellowship Fed's Giving—away

SUNDAY November 10

9:00 am New Member Breakfast
10:00 am Confirmation Breakfast
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
TBD JOY (Jr. High Youth Group) Social Event
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...*

Tom Davis, 35 Fox Glen Rd, Moreland Hills, OH 44022-2308, on the death of his wife, **Jane Davis**. Jane's memorial service will be held in the Sanctuary on November 7 at 4 pm.

Joy Robertson, 15115 Timber Ridge Dr., Middlefield, OH 44062-9014, on the death of her grandson, Douglas Cunningham.

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 **Amy Eugene** and **Melinda Smith**.

For November, the Mission & Service Commission is asking us to keep in prayer one of our church's mission partners, **St. Paul's Community Church (programs and participants)**.

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 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 loving memory of Karl and Anne Shull and Paul and Phyllis Neidhardt by Paul and Kathy Neidhardt, Meredith N. Connerton and Sarah N. Walter.

Fellowship Treats: Thank you to **members with last names beginning U, V, W, X, Y or Z** 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 10 – **members with last names beginning A or B**

November 17 – **members with last names beginning C or D and JOY (Jr. High Youth Group) Bake Sale**

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