



FEDERATED CHURCH

United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming Congregation

December 29

Welcome!

Upcoming Activities and Opportunities at Federated

There is still time to donate to our Christmas Eve Offering recipient: St. Paul's. Community Church Federated Church has had a "sister church" relationship with St. Paul's Church on the near west side of Cleveland for over 55 years. St. Paul's Church has survived and thrived through many challenges throughout its history. Although St. Paul's had some major renovations completed in the past five years, the church building is still in need of several repairs.

Our offering this year will help St. Paul's Church continue their redemptive ministries with many of God's children in crisis by making urgently needed improvements to their building. 60 years of daily use takes a toll. Ultimately, if repairs and renovations are not made, the continued building degradation will result in a space that can no longer provide a safe, healthy environment. Without this building, nearly all of St. Paul's health, human and social programs and services they offer will be eliminated.

Please prayerfully consider joining the effort to redeem lives through the ministry of St. Paul's Community Church and mark your donation with "Christmas Eve Offering."

Ahead At The Fed

Sunday, January 5

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches
Communion Served

10 am Traditional Family Worship
(No Sunday School)

Music by Federated Choir

11:30 am RISE to Shine Worship

Music by RISE to Shine Band

January 5 - Scriptures

Jeremiah 31:7-14 or Sirach 24:1-12
Psalm 147:12-20 or Wisdom of Solomon 10:15-21
Ephesians 1:3-14
John 1:(1-9),10-18

Sunday, January 12

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

10 am Traditional Worship and Sunday School

Music by Federated 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.

Musical Wondrous Wednesday !

Wednesday, January 8

6:00 pm FREE dinner, 7:00 pm program
Bell St. Fellowship Hall

Mary Beth Ions, a well-known international musician, will play violin for us, creating a close-up and personal experience.

Enjoy a beautiful music program with dessert and coffee.

Make reservations for the dinner by calling 440.247.6490, signing up at the reception desk, or emailing katiesharbage@gmail.com. No reservation is needed for the program.



NOICA Cooking Class

Last May, our Turkish friends and neighbors hosted an Iftar dinner during their Holy days of Ramadan. It was a huge success and a wonderful way to begin building some great relationships. The Northern Ohio Intercultural Association (NOICA, formerly Turkish American Society) is now offering a cooking demonstration and meal to be held in Fellowship Hall. This event is open to ALL Federated - adults and children.

Sunday, January 19, 4—7 pm

The cost is \$15.00 for adults, \$5.00 for ages 5-12, and free for children under 5.

Please RSVP by calling 440.247.6490 or sending an email to info@noica.org.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, January 6, 1:00 pm—5:30 pm
Fellowship Hall

Please do your part by making an appointment to donate blood by calling 1.800.RED.CROSS to select an appointment time or go online to redcrossblood.org or be a "walk-in donor."

Time is running out to sign up for Federated's Pilgrimage to the Holy Land & Jordan

**** April 19 – May 1, 2020 ****

Payment is due on January 15. Pick up a brochure from the Lobby or see it online at <https://fedchurch.org/trips>. Contact Peggie Jo Shinagawa at pjshinagawa@windstream.net or if you have other questions.

Homeless Stand Down Collection

Donations of new or clean, gently-worn coats, boots and winter gloves, (or checks made out to Federated with **HSD** in memo line) will be collected **through Sunday, January 5**. We have been asked to concentrate on men's larger and XL warm winter jackets and winterproof boots. We are collecting ladies and kids jackets, too!

Sign-ups for volunteers take place after worship in the Lobby for the Homeless Stand Down on January 11. Questions: contact Cathy at Cwstarfish2000@yahoo.com or 216.978.1037.

2020 Contribution Envelopes...

...are available for pickup. If you used envelopes last year or checked the box on your pledge card indicating that you want a box for 2020, a labeled box is waiting for you in Fellowship Hall.

Apollo's Fire Tickets on Sale NOW!

Friday, January 24, 7:30 pm | Sanctuary

A reception will follow the concert.

Visit fedchurch.org/concerts for more info and to purchase tickets, or purchase tickets after worship in Fellowship Hall.

TICKET PRICING

Advance purchase (General Admission)—\$35
At-the-door (General Admission)—\$45
Premium seating (Front of house/balcony)—\$60
Student admission (18 and under)—\$15

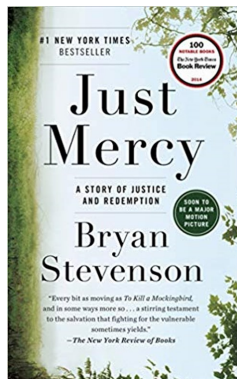


Just Mercy Book Study

Group 1:
Sunday, January 12
11:15 am, Room 240 & Lounge

Group 2:
Friday, January 17
1:00 pm, Room 250

To participate, please sign up after church in Fellowship Hall or email Barry Stees at steesbassoon@gmail.com



Fed Family Fellowship Pizza Party

Saturday, January 11, 4-7 pm
The LeFeber House: 18670 Auburn Glen Drive

Fed Families! Time to hang out. We will at least do dinner. Maybe a movie for the kids in the basement? Bring an appetizer, side or dessert to share. We will provide pizza!

Looking forward to it! Contact Kristin to RSVP: klefeber@fedchurch.org.

Intermuseum Conservation Association: An Extra Primetime Trip!

Wednesday, January 8
Depart from Family Life Center at 9:45 am

Cost: \$10

Meal: Lunch at The Harp, on your own
Reservations: Call 440.247.6490 by January 2

Primetime will be touring one of Ohio City's best-kept secrets. The Intermuseum Conservation Association (ICA) is home to a small staff dedicated to conserving and preserving some of the most historic cultural artifacts in the Midwest and around the world. It's the oldest nonprofit regional art conservation center in the country. It is a climate-controlled facility that is equal parts art museum, mad scientist lab and high-tech invention test site! The entire 6,000-square-foot second floor is an open workroom, loosely divided into sections where teams work on paintings, objects, textiles and paper.

After our tour we will have lunch at The Harp. It's an Irish pub that serves delicious "Boxty Cakes," their famous Irish potato pancake folded over and stuffed with delicious fillings!

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 **Lianna Davis** and **Hamilton Throckmorton**.

For December, the Mission & Service Commission is asking us to keep in prayer one of our church's mission partners, **EDWINS Leadership and Restaurant Institute**.

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 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.

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.

January 5 – **members with last names beginning A or B**

January 12 – **members with last names beginning C or D**

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