



FEDERATED CHURCH

United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming Congregation

March 22

Welcome!

Upcoming Activities and Opportunities at Federated

Worship Services Online

Due to the COVID-19 epidemic all in-person worship services are canceled through and including Easter on April 12. View an online stream of worship at: [YouTube.com/TheFederatedChurch](https://www.youtube.com/TheFederatedChurch)

The building will be locked up during the week. All events and meetings are canceled. We plan to re-open on Tuesday, April 14.

Ahead At The Fed

Sunday, March 29

10 am Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches
Online Worship
Music by RISE to Shine Band

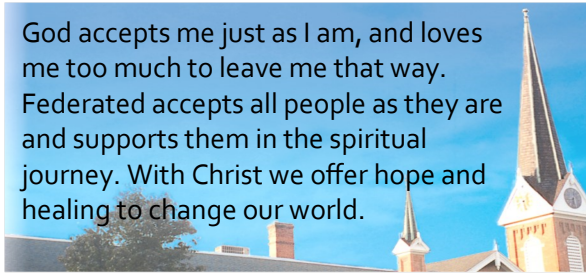
March 29 - Scriptures

Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm 130
Romans 8:6-11
John 11:1-45

Sunday, April 5

10 am Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches
Online Worship
Music by RISE to Shine Band

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.



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.

Dinner with NOICA: RESCHEDULED!

Sunday, April 19, 4:30—7:00 pm

In January, our Turkish friends and neighbors at the Northern Ohio Intercultural Association (NOICA, formerly Turkish American Society) hosted a cooking demonstration that was enjoyed by all who attended. Now it is our turn to host. On Sunday, April 19, Federated will be hosting a dinner that is open to ALL Federated and NOICA adults and children.

The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 5-12, and free for children under 5.

Please RSVP by calling 440.247.6490 or stop by Fellowship Hall on Sundays between the worship services to sign up.

UCC's White Privilege Curriculum

Starting with the week after Easter, we will offer a six-week White Privilege study group on **Fridays at 1:00 pm** and **Sundays after the 10:00 am service**.

Contact Barry Stees to sign up or with questions at steesbassoon@gmail.com.



23 GROUP Work Camp 2020

Rev. Mark Simone is delighted to share that the Sr. High Youth have been invited to return to the Mackinac Band of Chippewa and Ottawa Indians in St. Ignace, Michigan for work camp the week of **July 11 to 18**. Lisa Powers, the head of the tribe, has asked us to come and continue the work we began in 2018, when we replaced windows and doors, resided the building, firmed up the foundation and the roof line among other jobs.

This trip we are being asked to install kitchen cabinets, insulate and dry wall the great room, and maybe roof the building. Lots of cool things to do.

The cost of the trip will be under \$600 and it is open to any Federated High School youth and their friends. Day off will be to explore Mackinac Island.

Earth Day Appreciation

Sunday, April 19 and Sunday, April 26—Between the services
Fellowship Hall

In honor and appreciation of Earth Day and God's beautiful World, we will have tables set up in Fellowship Hall during coffee hour on Sunday 4/19 and 4/26 so that you can join in writing letters (available to sign and mail or use as guidelines to write your own) to send to some companies most noteworthy as environmentally damaging. We will also have information on current bills and issues that you can request your representatives in OH or US congress to vote to support the environment. And we will have information that features environmentally friendly products for your home that you can buy and use to replace single use plastics and more!

Trinkets & Treasures 2020 is Around the Corner!

It is time to start planning for our major fundraiser, Trinkets & Treasures. The long days of winter are the perfect time for cleaning out closets, attics and basements. We will need your donations. There are a few things that we cannot accept including mattresses, bed pillows, cribs, televisions, monitors, large appliances, large exercise equipment, encyclopedias and magazines. Most everything else is fair game as long as it is clean and in good condition.

Until April 1, we will have very little storage capacity. We hope you will be able to store your donations until we **begin accepting donations on Saturday, April 25**. The sale will go from our preview night on **Wednesday, April 29 through Saturday, May 2**. Start saving your items to donate, and encourage family and friends to do the same.

Don't forget to set aside your time to help out as a volunteer. It is a great time for families to work together. We need each and every one of you to make Trinkets & Treasures 2020 a big success.

Contact Mimi Bathgate at mbathgate@windstream.net or 440.665.6903 with questions, suggestions or to volunteer.



Secure Ways to Pay Your Pledge!

- Online: <https://onrealm.org/fedchurch/give>
- Mobile App: Download "Connect – Our Church Community"
- Text: "FEDCHURCH" to "73256"

Questions? Contact Janis Stefanchik, bookkeeper, x114 or business@fedchurch.org

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 **Mark Simone** and **Melinda Smith**.

For March, the Mission & Service Commission is asking us to keep in prayer one of our church's mission partners, **Hunger Ministries: Greater Cleveland Food Bank, WSEM, Food pantries at St. Paul's and Chagrin Falls Park, and our church hunger fund.**

The Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers for this week are:

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