



**FEDERATED CHURCH**  
 United Church of Christ  
 An Open and Affirming Congregation

October 25

# W e l c o m e !

Upcoming Activities and Opportunities at Federated

## Worship Services Online

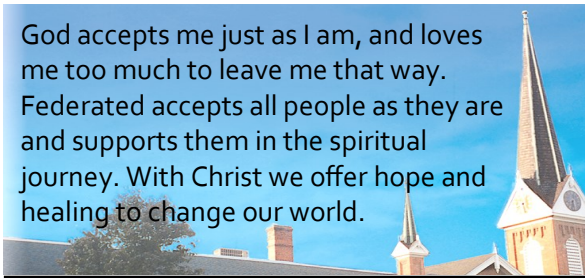
Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all worship services will take place online through the end of 2020.

View an online stream of worship at:  
[YouTube.com/TheFederatedChurch](https://www.youtube.com/TheFederatedChurch)

Online Fellowship Hour takes place on Zoom after worship.

Visit [tinyurl.com/FedFellowship](https://tinyurl.com/FedFellowship)

The building will be closed, but activities are still going on! Latest updates can be found at [fedchurch.org/covid](https://www.fedchurch.org/covid).



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.

## Ahead At The Fed

### Sunday, November 1—All Saints Day

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches on theme: Greatness and Humility

- 10 am Online Worship
- 11 am Virtual Fellowship Hour

### November 1 - Scriptures

- Joshua 3:7-17
- Psalms 107:1-7, 33-37
- Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18
- Psalms 1
- I Thessalonians 1:1-10
- Matthew 22:15-22

### Sunday, November 8

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches on theme: Being Ready for God's Coming  
 New Members join

- 10 am Online Worship
- Children sing*
- 11 am Virtual Fellowship Hour

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.

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## **We Need Coats and Boots for the Homeless!**

**Sunday, October 25, 11:30 am—2 pm**  
**76 Bell Street Parking Lot**

The Mission and Service and our youth will be in the church parking lot to collect warm, water-resistant coats and boots for the approaching cold winter months. Donate new or clean, gently used XL and XXL coats, and large water-resistant boots for men and women. We will always take warm hats, gloves, socks and underwear (*new only please!*)

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## **Are You Subscribed to Our Weekly E-Blast?**

Every Thursday, we send out the newest and most relevant information of the week. This is a great way to stay informed about what is happening at Federated.

To subscribe, go to  
[www.fedchurch.org/contact](http://www.fedchurch.org/contact).

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## **Federated's Doors May Be Closed... But We Are Still Active and Lively!**

Because of you - and the time, talent, and treasure you bring - Federated's "doors" are swinging wide open. You are helping us learn new ways of being together while we're apart. Our website lays out everything that is going on! Take a look and find something new!

[Fedchurch.org/events](http://Fedchurch.org/events)

For upcoming events and additional information, registration links, and more

[Fedchurch.org/get-involved](http://Fedchurch.org/get-involved)

For a list of groups and activities still going on during the pandemic time

[Fedchurch.org/calendar](http://Fedchurch.org/calendar)

For a complete list of all meetings and events, including their dates, times, and locations

[Fedchurch.org/live](http://Fedchurch.org/live)

For livestreaming services and recordings of past worship services

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## Our Fall Inquirers Class, for those who want to consider membership at Federated, will happen on Zoom!

Wednesday, October 28 | 7-9 pm  
Online via Zoom

We are not going to let the current circumstances keep us from welcoming new members into the Federated community. Senior Pastor Hamilton Throckmorton and the Membership Committee will be offering our Fall Inquirers Class via Zoom. It couldn't be easier to learn more about becoming a member of Federated Church – just two hours of your time, one evening, from the comfort of your home.

If you are interested in learning more about Federated and about the United Church of Christ, and you are comfortable joining a Zoom meeting, we invite you to sign up for this class. Contact Melinda Smith at [smithm@fedchurch.org](mailto:smithm@fedchurch.org) to sign up or register via your Realm account and she will arrange to send you the Zoom link.

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### Gentle Slow Flow Yoga

with Dawn Dole, RYT

Virtual class on Zoom. Open to everyone.

Mondays at 10:00 - 11:15 am (November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, December 7, 14, 21)

Thursdays at 7:00 - 8:15 pm (November 5, 12, 19, December 3, 10, 17)

In these stressful times dealing with COVID and social unrest in society, we need opportunities and skills for reducing stress and anxiety. We can learn and create ways to experience calm and peace and yoga combined with breath and meditation is a wonderful way to do this.



In this class we link breath, movement, and poses together. Balance, calm and peacefulness result from attention to the breath as we move through the physical postures. All levels of yoga participants can find their personal challenges. Modifications will be suggested as needed. This class is open to everyone with the ability to move through seated, standing, kneeling, and reclined positions unassisted.

To register, or if you have questions, email [newdayyoga.dawn@gmail.com](mailto:newdayyoga.dawn@gmail.com).

### Advent by Candlelight Monday, December 7

Save the Date!

This year, we will be having a virtual version of Advent by Candlelight over Zoom.

Stay tuned to next month's SPIRE and weekly emails for additional details.

## **FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER:** *Please include in your prayers this week....*

**Nancie Skonezny**- 7164 Hollyhock Ln, Solon, OH 44139-4766- on the death of her father, Richard Smith, on October 15.

**Emily, Peter, Abby, Molly, and Josie Godenschwager**- 420 Bell St, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022- on the death of Emily's father, Pete Yost, on October 20.

Each week, we ask your prayers for two of our staff members. This week please pray for **Mark Simone** 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, Louise Rutkowski, Lee Wiley.

*Please forward prayer requests to Kiersti Critchfield [kcritchfield@fedchurch.org](mailto:kcritchfield@fedchurch.org) or 440.247.6490 x103, or submit them online at [fedchurch.org/prayers](http://fedchurch.org/prayers). Our Pastoral Care Team and our Prayer and Praise Team will pray for your requests.*

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