



FEDERATED CHURCH

United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming Congregation

December 6

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.

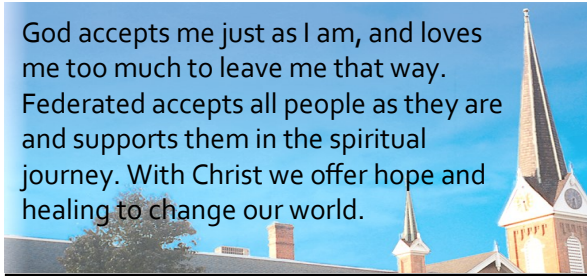
View an online stream of worship at:
[YouTube.com/TheFederatedChurch](https://www.youtube.com/TheFederatedChurch)

Online Fellowship Hour takes place on Zoom after worship.

Visit tinyurl.com/FedFellowship

The building will be closed, but activities are still going on! Latest updates can be found at 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, December 13—Third Sunday of Advent

10 am Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches
Online Worship
11 am Virtual Fellowship Hour

November 29 - Scriptures

Isaiah 64:1-9
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
I Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 1:1-8

Sunday, December 20—Fourth Sunday of Advent

10 am Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches
Online Worship
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.

Search for the Christ Child Online!

Search for the Christ Child will be offered as an online journey this year on our church website. **On Sunday, December 6 at 6:00 pm** we will have a premier viewing of all your favorite Search stations, from Proclamation Angels to the baby Messiah. The videos will be left up on the website through the end of the year.

Use the following to gain access to this special event and feel free to share it with your family and friends: <http://www.fedchurch.org/sftcc>. May God bless you this beautiful time of the year and may this journey help kick start your family's holy holiday season.

Advent by Candlelight Online!

Congregational Care will be holding a Zoom Advent by Candlelight on **Monday, December 7 at 7:00 pm**. This is an all church event, where we will be lighting the Advent wreath together. Please feel free to use your own candles or wreath and have food and drink to enjoy while we worship together.

You can find the link to join on our website at <http://www.fedchurch.org/events>. Contact Kiersti Critchfield at 440.247.6490 ext. 103 for more information. A recording of the evening will be available on our YouTube channel after Dec 7.

Call for Christmas Greeting Videos

Please help Federated put together a video montage of Christmas greetings to begin our Christmas Eve services. Even though we won't be together this Christmas we can still wish each other Merry Christmas.

Simply, make a few seconds video with a brief Christmas wish from your family saying something like, "Merry Christmas, Federated! From (family name(s))" and send it to Trisha at communications@fedchurch.org **before December 10**. Consider making the video even more festive by sitting in front of your tree or by wearing Christmas sweaters.

Can't wait to "see" you!

Social Justice Movie Night

Monday, December 14, 7:00 pm

At your leisure watch the Film: [DIVIDED WE FALL: UNITY WITHOUT TRAGEDY](#). This film brings ordinary citizens together to wrestle with the complex issues that divide our nation. Breaking out of partisan echo chambers to listen to one another, the participants - equal numbers of whom strongly approve and disapprove of President Donald Trump - explore what it means to be an American. The film is about an hour long: <https://tinyurl.com/yyteajey>

Then join the discussion: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83980206716?pwd=SotkU2ZyU24vWTB1RWNzcHM1ODNldz09>

*** Note: This movie night is on the second Monday instead of the usual third due to Christmas. ***

Federated Re-Branding Reveal—Including Logo!

Next Sunday!

During the 10 AM worship service, there will be a short presentation, revealing a new logo for Federated's new logo!

Following the service at 11:30, there will be a Zoom meeting. Stay tuned for more information and the Zoom meeting ID / link.

The Rebranding Sub-Committee is excited to finally share what they have been working on since the summer. We hope to see you there!

Gentle Slow Flow Yoga

with Dawn Dole, RYT

Virtual class on Zoom. Open to everyone.

Mondays at 10 - 11:15 am (December 7, 14, 21, 28) | Thursdays at 7-8:15 pm (December 10, 17)

This Gentle Slow Flow class links the breath, meditation, movement, and poses together. All levels of Yoga practitioners can find their comfort level, as they slowly and mindfully move through the class. Balance, focus, and peacefulness result from attention to breath as we move through physical "asana" or poses in our yoga practice. 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.

You will need a computer or iPad to join the class via a Zoom link from the comfort of your own home. To register, or if you have questions, email Dawn Dole at newdayyoga.dawn@gmail.com.

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

Joyce McFarland- 10284 Orchard Hill Ln, Twinsburg, OH 44087-2636- who is having knee surgery on Tuesday December 8.

Each week, we ask your prayers for two of our staff members. This week please pray for **Gillian McNamara** and **Joshua Konow**.

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

The Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers for this week are:

Bob Abley, Debbie Baker, Mary Ann Boysen, Paul Neidhardt, Marge Overman.

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

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