

April 18

Welcome!

Upcoming Activities and Opportunities at Federated

Worship Services Online

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all worship services will continue to take place online.

View an online stream of worship at: 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, April 25

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

10 am Online Worship Service

Music by the RISE to Shine Band

11 am Online Fellowship Hour

11:30 am Sunday School

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*Acts 4:5-12 Psalm 23 1 John 3:16-24 John 10:11-18

Sunday, May 2

Rev. Mark Simone preaches
Communion celebrated

10 am
Online Worship Service

11 am
Online Fellowship Hour

11:30 am
Sunday School

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.

Call for Mother's Day Photos

We are ready to celebrate the love shared with our mothers. Submit your favorite photo of you and your mother and if you are a young family, send us a photo of the kids with mom. These will be shown during the worship service on Mother's Day.

Email images to Marty Culbertson at mculbert@fedchurch.org by Saturday, May 1.



Earth Day Activity: Family and Youth Environmental/Nature Activity Sunday, April 25, 2:00–4:00 pm Family Life Contex Crownds (163.40 Chillicothe Bood)

Family Life Center Grounds (16349 Chillicothe Road)

The Environmental/Creation Justice team of SJAM in collaboration with the Sunday School program and JOY (middle school youth) of Federated Church and the CLC (Community Life Collaborative) is hosting a Family/Youth activity.

The afternoon will be full of fun and exploration. Included will be:

- Sunday School Message
- •Nature Hike using our Senses
- •Scavenger Hunt
- •Seedling Planting Activity (to bring home and plant)
- •Healthy Snack

What to expect:

- •Masks must be worn.
- •Dress for the weather. (Slight rain: we will still meet. Heavy rain: we will postpone it to May 2 at the same time.)
- •Expect to get muddy or dirty playing in the outdoors.
- •Bring your own water bottle. (suggestion: no single-use plastic bottles)

Please let us know you will be joining this activity, email Kristin LeFeber: <u>klefeber@fedchurch.org</u>.





VISIONING 2021

Sunday, April 25, 11:15 am-12:30 pm On Zoom

Join us online from 11:15-12:30 pm on April 25 for a congregation-wide online facilitated conversation focused on further developing our vision for our church to guide us forward. We have been through a challenging year and one that has gifted us with exciting new opportunities. Working with Convergence consultant, Rev. Cameron Trimble, and our Federated Visionary Action Plan (VAP) Team, let's discern together where God is leading us.

April Movie Night: Creation Justice Film Discussion Monday, April 26, 7:00–8:00 pm On Zoom

The Environmental/Creation Justice committee of SJAM will host a discussion of three short films on Environmental and Racial Justice. The films clarify the sometimes unrecognized connection between environmental concerns and racial justice. These films give new insight and knowledge as to how deci-



sions about the environment are often made without regard to their impact on minority communities. All are welcome. Invite your friends and family too.

Watch these videos before you join the Zoom call:

<u>Environmental Justice Explained</u> (3 min)

<u>Climate Change and Racism Are About You - Dr. Atyia Martin</u> (17 min)

<u>How Climate Change Reinforces Racism by ClimateAdam</u> (4 min)

Film discussion led by Dan Kershner.

Zoom link to join the discussion: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83595558354? pwd=U1VxZU5SZONjcEVkbEcxeXpsbVIWdz09

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

Ruth Carlton- 42 E Orange St, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022-2733-who is at the Weils recovering from a health condition.

The friends and family of Sonja Diehn who died.

Marilyn Pierson- 5630 Grace Woods Dr Unit 105, Willoughby, OH 44094-8916-who is in the hospital with a broken leg.

Friends and family of **Betty Ryan** who died on March 29.

Laura Woodworth - 8215 Timber Trl, Chagrin Falls, OH 44023-5070- on the death of her father, Robert Peck, on March 27, and her brother, Mark Peck, on January 26.

Each week, we ask your prayers for two of our staff members. This week please pray for **Hamilton Throckmorton** and **Mark Simone**.

For April, the Mission & Service Commission is asking us to keep in prayer one of our church's mission partners, **our Literacy Ministries: Seeds of Literacy, GED programs.**

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.

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

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