FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Please include in your prayers this week....

John Eberly passed away on August 31, 2021 at the age of 99; plans for his memorial will be shared as soon as finalized.

Mary Lou Baker who is having knee replacement surgery on Wednesday 9/15; 200 Woodsong Way Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44023

Lance Buescher who will be having MCL surgery on Wednesday, 9/15; 419 Bentleyville Road Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

Staff members **Kristin LeFeber** and **Marty Culbertson**, and our mission partner **Family Promise of Greater Cleveland**

Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers this week:

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

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this morning are given by Jan Blank in memory of her parents, Rita and Arvid Nyberg.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR 11a-12p

There will be no in-person Fellowship Hour after worship today. There will be a virtual gathering on Zoom. You are welcome and encouraged to join! You can find the link on the home page of the fedchurch.org website, or go to Tinyurl.com/fedfellowship.







September 12, 2021

Rally Day

Welcome!





Next Week: **Sunday, September 19**

Rev. Mark Simone preaches

10 am

Traditional Worship
In-person and
Online via YouTube

Lectionary Readings:

- ♦ Proverbs 31:10-31
- ♦ Psalm 1
- ♦ Wisdom of Solomon 1:16-2:1,12-22
- ♦ Or Jeremiah 11:18-20
- ♦ Psalm 54
- ♦ James 3:13 4:3, 7-8a
- ♦ Mark 9:30-37

We are so glad you've chosen to worship with us today!

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.

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.

Our Mission Statement

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FEDERATED?

Sunday School and Childcare Set to Resume

Next Sunday, September 19!

Room 230 for Childcare (Babies - Preschoolers)

Room 220 for Sunday School (Kindergarten - 6th Grade)

Ms. Kristin is excited to welcome the kiddos and families back to the building. K-6th graders will begin in the Sanctuary with their families. During the Passing of the Peace, they will be dismissed to Room 220. Babies through Preschool-aged kiddos can be brought to Room 230 when you arrive to church. Please email Kristin with any questions at klefeber@fedchurch.org.

We Celebrate Rev. Mark Simone as He Retires

Saturday, September 18, 6 PM—Potluck Dinner & Roast at the Family Life Center Sunday, September 19, 10 AM—Worship followed by Reception in Fellowship Hall

Rev. Mark Simone is retiring after a long and fruitful ministry at Federated and beyond. Mark's work was focused on youth, but his ministry touched the lives of all ages over his 30 years here. It is time for us to celebrate Mark as he opens a new chapter in his life. You are invited to celebrate him in a variety of ways with fun, fellowship, food and a financial gift.

On September 18 we will have a potluck dinner with music and wonderful food provided by YOU. You decide - main dish, salad, side dish or dessert - we will trust it all works out. And there will be a silly roast to show Mark we get his humor. Then on September 19 we will hear Mark give his send-off sermon and then share cake in Fellowship Hall following worship.

You can mail a card to 76 Bell Street, Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44022 or email Marty at mculbert@fedchurch.org with your well wishes or favorite memories of Mark at so that we can present him with a scrapbook during the dinner.

You can support Mark into his retirement with a financial gift. Checks can be made out to Federated Church, marked "Mark's Retirement," or give online at fedchurch.org/giving—choose "Mark's Retirement" in the drop-down menu.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Marty Culbertson at mculbert@fedchurch.org.



Celebrating Rally Day!

Today!

Join us after worship to kick off the program year with a celebration in the parking lot. There will be hot dogs, hamburgers, and an ice cream truck!

A Special Meeting of the Congregation Coming Up!

Sunday, September 26, 11:15 AM In-Person & Online Via Zoom

Church Council is calling this Special Meeting of the Congregation, in-person and via Zoom, for the purpose of electing the following people to serve on the **Associate Pastor Search Committee**: Dawn Dole, chair, Curtis Grube, Brady Hively, Dan Kershner, Kelly Kimball, Susannah Rutkowski, Alexandra Ziots, and Rev. Hamilton Coe Throckmorton. Please plan to attend so that we have a guorum to move forward with the search.

Is this Apple Stock From You?

In July, Federated received a **donation of some Apple stock**. **Is this from you?** Currently **it's being credited to Andrew Anonymous**, but we'd rather find the rightful giver. Contact Janis at business@fedchurch.org and let her know if you're the thoughtful donor.

SJAM Movie Night

Monday, September 20, 7 PM

Online on Zoom: link at fedchurch.org/events

Join us as we watch the film **White Savior: Racism in the American Church** and discuss the film together on Zoom.