

March 20, 2022

Welcome!



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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.

Next Week:

Sunday, March 27

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton
preaches

10 am

Traditional Worship

In-person and

Online via YouTube

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

Meet the Author! Teresa Blythe to Join Us by Zoom!

Monday, March 21, 7 PM

We are thrilled that the author of the book *50 Ways to Pray*, Teresa Blythe (teresa@teresablythe.net), will be joining us for a Zoom gathering. It will be an opportunity for us to meet her, and to engage with her on thoughts, experiences, etc. as we use her book. We hope you'll be able to join us. Get the link at fedchurch.org/events.

Interfaith Prayer Vigil: Prayers for Peace for the Ukrainian People

Tuesday, March 22, 7-7:30 PM

Join with your neighbors of many faiths as members of Christian, Jewish, and Muslim communities lead prayer vigils. Gather to pray for peace.

Thank you to: Chagrin Valley Baha'i Community, Chagrin Valley Council of Churches, Church of the Resurrection, Northern Ohio Intercultural Association The Shul.

Inquirers Class has returned! - For those considering membership

Thursdays, March 31 and April 7, 7-9 PM

Lounge

Our Inquirers Class provides a wonderful opportunity to take a fresh look at the meaning of Christ for our times, and to explore the programs and purpose of Federated Church. More information at fedchurch.org/events. **Sign up via [Realm](#) or by contacting Melinda Smith at smithm@fedchurch.org or 440.247.6490 x111.**

Trinkets & Treasures! - Sign up NOW to help at our annual fundraiser

Donation Days: April 23-26 | Sale Days: April 27-30

Lobby sign-ups

Many volunteers are needed to make this event a success. Shifts are available throughout the week. There's sorting and pricing and hauling and collecting payment to be done. Check out the sign-up boards in the Lobby or find the Realm online signup at fedchurch.org/TNT.

GIVING AT FEDERATED?

St. Paul's Thrift Store Monthly Collections

Housewares & Knick Knacks, & Food for Local Food Pantries

The St. Paul's Thrift Store is a very important ministry of our long-standing relationship with this community church on the near west side of Cleveland. Proceeds from the sales of goods from the shop support the operations of the church and their outreach programs.

Donations will be received **TODAY, 11:30 AM–1 PM**. March Items requested by St. Paul's: **Household goods and knick knacks. We will also be collecting food for local food pantries.** Things that are not acceptable to donate. Old TVs, winter skis and ski boots, anything with broken parts. Please no clothes. We *will* accept gently used items with life left.

Ukraine Relief Effort Giving Opportunity

We are collecting contributions to the UCC Ukraine Relief Emergency Appeal. Gifts will provide shelter, food, and other care to war refugees and internally displaced people. You can make your donation by clicking GIVE NOW at fedchurch.org/giving or by mailing a check to 76 Bell St., Chagrin Falls OH 44022 with "Ukraine Emergency Relief Appeal UCC" on the memo line. Thank you for joining us in making a difference.

SJAM Speakers Night: Honesty in Education

Monday, March 28, 7 PM

Online via Zoom

Ohio House Bills 322 and 327 were introduced in May 2021. These bills prohibit school districts from teaching, advocating, or promoting divisive concepts across Pre K-12. HB 327 threatens loss of teacher license and 100% of state funding for non-compliance. You do not want to miss this opportunity to learn about the movements to stifle teachers, curriculum, books and history. You will learn how we can faithfully respond. Find the Zoom link and more information about the panel of experts assembled to speak with us online at fedchurch.org/events.

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Please include in your prayers this week...

Pete Godenschwager, after he entered hospice care this week; 636 Blue Spruce Trail, Chagrin Falls, OH 44023-6730.

This week, please pray for staff members **Kristin LeFeber** and **Marty Culbertson**.

This month, please pray for **our hunger ministries: Greater Cleveland Food Bank, SWEM, food pantries at St. Paul's and Chagrin Falls Park, and our church hunger fund.**

Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers this week:

Myia Sterling, 440.338.4893; Elsie Lutman, Janet Peters, Sonja Solar.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this morning are given in celebration of Laura Taylor and her birthday this weekend, by the rest of the Ryburn Taylor clan. We love you!

The flowers from today's worship service will be rearranged and distributed by the Angel Flower Ministry.

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