

December 11, 2022

Welcome!



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*live your faith*



**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.*

**Our Mission Statement**

*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.*

Next Week:

**Sunday, December 18**

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton  
preaches

**10 am**

**Traditional Worship**

**In-Person and Online via  
YouTube**

# WHAT'S HAPPENIN

## Annual Christmas Bake Sale

**TODAY, Immediately Following Worship**

**Fellowship Hall**

Join us in bringing the joy of Christmas to all with the Annua Bake Sale after worship, this Sunday, December 11th. All treats provided by the youth and their families. A free will offering will be collected for the kids to go shopping for items for the St. Paul's Christmas Sale.

## Christmas Toy Collection

**Until December 11th**

**Church Lobby**

Let us bring the joy of Christmas to kids on the near Westside of Cleveland. Bring NEW toys and other gifts for kids of all ages. Place all new and unwrapped items under the tree in the Church Lobby now until December 11<sup>th</sup>. Contact Marty ([Mculbert@fedchurch.org](mailto:Mculbert@fedchurch.org)) with questions.

## SJAM Presents: Strategies from Braver Angels

**TOMORROW, December 12th, 7PM**

**Fellowship Hall**

Join us as we gain some insights on the skills from Braver Angels workshops that will make the holiday conversations feel less contentious and more civil, allowing us to be "more curious and less furious." This will be an evening of learning, of fun, of celebration, as we strive to make our way to "Peace on Earth" one table at a time. Questions? Contact Bill Shaul at [bshaul@braverangels.org](mailto:bshaul@braverangels.org) or visit [fedchurch.org/sjam](http://fedchurch.org/sjam).

## Federated Forum: Christmas Songs

**Monday, December 12, Gather at 1:30PM**

We are thrilled to welcome the brilliant Northcoast Women's Ensemble, a talented, dedicated group of entertainers. Sing along to your favorite Christmas tunes! Join us for Christmas treats

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before and a special reception following so you can mingle with and meet the performers. Join us! Singing starts 2PM in the Sanctuary, treats before and after in Fellowship Hall  
No RSVP needed! Cost: Free

## Christmas Family Festival

**Saturday, December 17, 4pm**

Invite your friends and family for a festive winter evening of fellowship! A scavenger hunt will lead you to activities such as cookie decorating, Christmas crafting, Christmas stories, Christmas caroling and more! Potluck dinner and scavenger hunt begins at 4pm in Fellowship Hall, Caroling begins at 6pm in the Sanctuary. All ages are welcome and encouraged! For more information, please contact Kristin LeFeber:

[klefeber@fedchurch.org](mailto:klefeber@fedchurch.org).

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## Christmas Wreaths and Poinsettias on Sale

Holiday poinsettias and wreaths will once again decorate our church during the Advent season. The poinsettias and wreaths may be purchased in your name, In Honor of, or In Memory Of a loved one or friend. The cost is \$20 per plant or \$30 per wreath. A listing of those names will appear in Christmas Eve bulletins.

All donations are due by Sunday, December 18th. You can drop it into the collection plate on Sunday mornings with the form from the announcement attached. If writing a check, note "Poinsettia/Wreath" in the memo line. If giving online through Realm, use the memo line to add your dedication. Contact [communications@fedchurch.org](mailto:communications@fedchurch.org) with any questions.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Poinsettias: \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Wreaths: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of/ In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

## FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

*Please include in your prayers this week...*

We share our gratitude today and this week for the people and graces that bless us in countless ways. Thanks be to God!

This week, please pray for staff members **Betsy Wooster** and **Melissa Owen**.

This month, please pray for **MedWish**

**Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers this week:**

Vivian Platek, Trina Gigax, Martine Scheuermann, Jane Healy.

## FELLOWSHIP HOUR 11a-12p

In honor of the Annual Christmas Bake sale this Sunday, Fellowship Hour will be postponed until Sunday, December 18th.

Next Sunday—congregants with last names beginning E, F or G are invited to bring treats to share. You can see the list of coming weeks at [fedchurch.org/fellowshiptreats](http://fedchurch.org/fellowshiptreats).

## ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this morning are given by Douglas Garland to the Glory of God and in honor of the children of Federated Church.

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

The altar Christmas Trees were donated by: **Cal & Kim Lockert** in loving memory of Cal's mother & father, Vern and Millie Lockert, and in loving memory of Kim's mother and father, Wally and Bonnie Wedemeier; **Byron & Elsie Lutman** in memory of loved ones; **Janet, Polly & Jenny Peters** in loving memory of Don, husband and father; **Judy Holder** in loving memory of her father and mother Ralph and Lucille, and dear friend Jack Hobbs; **Larry Trace** in loving memory of his wife, Nancy, and in honor of their grandchildren, Shannon Marie and Lea Kay Trace and Tyler Matthew Bittinger.

The large wreaths in the windows are given in loving memory of Eva Jean Trace by the **Trace and Bittinger** families.

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