

April 23, 2023



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"On Our Walk to Emmaus"

Luke 24:13-35

Confirmation Sunday

Gathered at Federated Church: 76 Bell Street, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

Also streaming live at [YouTube.com/TheFederatedChurch](https://www.youtube.com/TheFederatedChurch)



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Third Sunday of Easter

10 AM

Chimes indicate the service is starting, and silence is appreciated to prepare for worship.

Prelude *Be Thou My Vision* (E. Witsett) Marcia Snavely, organ

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton

Introit *Come to the Tomb* (Austin Lovelace) Federated Choir; Marcia Snavely, piano

* **Call to Worship** (*responsive*) Claire Guddy

One: God has called us together for this time of worship.

God is listening to our thoughts and to our speaking.

All: God inclines an ear to us and hears us.

God knows us better than we know ourselves.

One: Let us open our hearts to the One who gives us life.

Let us set our faith and hope in God.

All: In one another's presence, we both make and renew our vows. Together we offer our praise and thanksgiving.

One: God's promises to us are ancient and ever new.

God is with us here and on all the roads we travel.

All: Together we lift our voices in songs of praise.

Together we recognize we are precious in God's sight.

* **Passing of Christ's Peace** Gracie Ryan

(Children in grades K-8 leave for Sunday School)

* **Hymn** *Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us* No. 231

Opening Prayer (*unison*) Emma Thatcher

Wondrous God, like those disciples on the road to Emmaus, let us hear your voice today. Call our names and claim us as your own. May we sense your presence next to us. May we hear your voice. May we see you in one another and in the beauty all around us. May your reality emerge deep inside each life,

* Those who are able stand

**** Worshipers may be seated

transforming our thoughts and deeds and our relationship with one another.
Open our eyes, Light of the world, that we may recognize you here, as we
walk with you day by day. May your new life be made manifest in ours. Amen.

Sabbatical Blessing

Adam Graves,
Federated Church Moderator

Invitation to Generosity

Rev. Throckmorton

Anthem

Emmaus Road (Lani Smith)

Federated Choir;
Marcia Snavelly, piano

- * **Doxology** *Halle-Halle-Halleluja* (sung twice) No. 41
Halle, Halle, Halleluja (x3)
Halleluja, Halleluja

* **Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those
who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Fellowship of Prayer

Rev. Throckmorton

- * **Hymn** *Take My Life* No. 609

Scripture Luke 24: 13-35 Ava Rose

Sermon Rev. Betsy Wooster

Rite of Confirmation

Confirmation Class 2023

Will Asplin, Cooper Bottcher, Ryan Curtiss, Claire Guddy, Asher Kimball, Robby
Mignogna, Ava Rose, Gracie Ryan, Emma Thatcher, Ruby Wiley

Opening Words

Rev. Wooster



This Sanctuary is equipped with a **Hearing Loop system** that works with all
Telecoil-equipped hearing aids to amplify sound with excellent clarity.

Introduction to the Rite of Confirmation

Gary Dole

Invitation to Covenant

Zach LeFeber

Questions to the Confirmands

Act of Confirmation and Laying on of Hands Rev. Wooster and Rev. Throckmorton
(Parents are invited to stand alongside each Confirmand and to place their hands upon the Confirmand while the prayer is offered.)

Words of Welcome and Declaration

Rev. Throckmorton: *By your baptism and confirmation, you are made one with us in the Body of Christ, the Church. We rejoice with you in your journey of faith to this time and place, and we celebrate your presence in this household of faith. Let us, the members of Federated Church express our welcome and affirm our mutual ministry in Christ.*

All: We promise you our continuing friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love and be witnesses of our risen Savior.

Rev. Wooster: *In the name of Jesus Christ, and on behalf of Federated Church, we extend to you the hand of Christian love, welcoming you into the company of this congregation.*

***Hymn** *Rise Up, O Saints of God!*

No. 611

***Benediction**

Rev. Wooster

Postlude *Praise to God Who Reigns Above* (E.L. Diemer)

Marcia Snively, organ

~ Departing to Service ~

UPCOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, April 30th, 10 AM

Rev. Daniel Cooperrider, guest preacher