

July 30, 2023

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, August 6th**

Rev. Laurel Koepf  
preaches

10 am  
Traditional Worship  
In-Person and Online via  
YouTube

# WHAT'S HAPPENIN

## SJAM Presents: Dessert and Discussions

**What Does the Bible RELLY SAY About LBGTQ+ Persons and Issues**

**Monday, August 7th, 6:30-9 PM**

**Speaker: Rev. Laurel Koepf**

**Fellowship Hall**

Current debates regarding human sexuality and gender often center around the Bible. In this evening event, biblical scholar Rev. Dr. Laurel Koepf will engage participants in the content and context of scripture, with particular attention to gender in the Bible and the many ways it is expressed and discussed. We will compare the ancient world that produced the Bible with our own ideas about gender expression, division of labor, beauty and adornment. Join us to discuss how all of this can be a part of our faith.

## Special Election

The Social Justice Advocacy Ministry team wants to call attention to the special Ohio election coming up on Tuesday, August 8. There will be an SJAM table set up in Fellowship Hall Next Sunday, August 6th, with information about the proposed ballot entitled State Issue 1. Please stop by to find out the ways you can vote.

## NEO AMIS (Americans Making Immigrants Safe) Needs Your Help!

**Important Immigrant Needs:**

-Afi is dedicated to learning English but she needs rides to and from her classes at the Delisle Center at 14780 Superior Rd. in Cleveland Hts. (corner of Taylor Road), on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. If you can volunteer for any of these times, please email me at [anne.hill2@gmail.com](mailto:anne.hill2@gmail.com) or call me at 216-333-4454. This would be for the month of August. Thank you!

-The DEH brothers from Mauritania need work. If you need help with a furniture move, yard work, garage cleanup, etc., please contact Lynn Tramonteat [latramonte@gmail.com](mailto:latramonte@gmail.com). Thank you!

# ING AT FEDERATED?

## Cancer Support Group

**2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 6:30 PM**

**Lounge or via Zoom**

If you've been touched by cancer, please contact Trina Gigax at [midmodlady@gmail.com](mailto:midmodlady@gmail.com) to learn about our support group every 2nd and 4th Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. Virtual or in-person.

## The Last Hurrah of Marty's Art

You may know Marty as a Federated Church's in-house photographer. We've all seen many of her beautiful slides enhancing our church services.

Look for her fascinating pictures hanging in the first floor hallway Gallery Space and in the entryway. This may be your last chance to view Marty Culbertson's framed Nature Photography! She'll be taking it down this summer. They make great gifts for birthdays, or other special occasions, too. If you would like to purchase one of these beautiful pictures, contact Marty at [mculbert@fedchurch.org](mailto:mculbert@fedchurch.org).



## FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

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

**Baby Lamari** as he is blessed today.

**Tom Dantimo** – upcoming medical procedure – 6835 Richmond Rd Trlr 115, Solon, OH 44139-2151

**Jennie Krutilla** – upcoming medical procedure on 8/4 – 8671 Beechwood Dr. Novelty, OH 44072-9602 Novelty, OH 44072-9602

This month, please pray for, **The Colorado Kids**, as they build the foundation of their faith.

This week, please pray for staff members **Beth Rutkowski** and **Jake Magalski**

**Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers this week:** Trina Gigax, Martine Scheuermann, Jane Healy, Jody Halley

## ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this morning are given by Carol Sparker in loving memory of her husband, Bill Sparker.

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

## FELLOWSHIP HOUR 11a-12p

Thank you to congregants with the last names beginning with **L and M** for providing treats today. We encourage you to join us in Fellowship Hall after worship for food and fellowship.

Next Sunday– Congregation members with last names beginning with **N, O, P, Q, and R** are invited to bring treats. Thank you in advance for your participation!

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