

From Federated...



With Love...

From the Desk of Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton

Dear Friends,

As many of you know, in the middle of September I returned to the first church I served as a pastor, in central Vermont. I had been invited to preach on the occasion of their bicentennial celebration. For Mary and me, it was a time to connect with many people we hadn't seen in nearly 30 years, a chance to hear about their lives and the life of the church. It was also a chance to remember a chapter of our lives that had been, in many ways, foundational for us. It was the place Mary and I moved shortly after we were married. It was the place where our two sons were born. And it was the place where I learned how to be a pastor. As I let them know in my sermon, it was the place in which I felt loved into ministry.

What I noticed in our weekend visit was how important it was to articulate these things to the people of the church and to be together on that momentous 200th anniversary. We laughed. We remembered. We cried. And perhaps most crucial of all, we celebrated. The day felt big and joyful and electric. And I was reminded how crucial, how life-giving, it is for us to celebrate together. Having regular parties together marks our time as special and reminds us of the joy God makes possible in our lives. As we at Federated did recently on Rally Day, gathering to express our elation is a good and glorious gift, a blessing of the Spirit which might prompt us to look for more such occasions.

At the same time, it's not possible, and I would say it's not even desirable, to try to make every day such a blow-out party. Sometimes people will say after big festival days—Christmas Eve or Rally Day or a wedding—"We should do this every week." And while I understand and sympathize with such sentiments—who of us doesn't love a good party—that's not the way life is. Most of life is showing up for each other in regular, daily ways. We're not going to experience life as one heart-pounding thrill after another. Life is waking up and making coffee for our partner. It's listening to our child try to work out social or academic struggles. It's tutoring the same student week after week. It's showing up for work and doing what's necessary. It's calling our aging parents. It's bringing a pot of soup to a neighbor who just returned from the hospital.

The key for us, I think, is to try to do both. Not to make a big deal at regular times in our lives is to fall into a routine that can be dull and tired. We want to take every occasion we can to celebrate and make a big deal of the joy that is one of God's remarkable gifts to us. These special days remind us that life is a unique and wonderful and magnificent joy.

At the same time, one of the quiet gifts of faith is to remember that God is richly present right there in the very familiarity of the routine of life. God animates even, and maybe especially, our everyday habits and practices. And in those routines, there is beauty and grace and love.

Thanks be to God both for blow-out celebrations and for a holy presence in the midst of the everyday. It is all grace!

Grace and peace,

Hamilton



Federated News & Info

Our Worship Themes for October 2023

God's Inscrutable Good News: Seldom What We Think It Will Be

Oct. 1: Will I Really Always Have Enough?

Exodus 17:1-7

Rev. Betsy Wooster

Oct. 8: What's Graced About Laws and Rules?

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

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Oct. 15: How Can You Possibly Say, "Don't
Worry"?

Philippians 4:1-9

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Oct. 22: Why Can't We Ever See God?

Exodus 33:12-23

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Oct. 29: Reformation Sunday; We Don't Always
Get to the Promised Land

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

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Worship Every Sunday 10:00 AM

**In-Person at Federated Church
or Online on our YouTube Channel:
[TheFederatedChurch](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8)**

November Spire Deadline

Do you have something you'd like
to see in the September Spire?

Please email your information to
communications@fedchurch.org

by **Friday, November 24th.**

In Memoriam

Recognition of those who have
passed recently.

A farewell to friends; May God
welcome them with open arms.

Norma Burrows – Sept. 16, 2023

PASTORAL OFFICE HOURS

**Need to see a pastor? Our Pastors
have Standing Office Hours.
We are here for you!**



Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton
Senior Pastor

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Rev. Betsy Wooster

Pastor of Spiritual Formation

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Upcoming Inquirers Class

Are you a visitor or frequent attendee or know someone who is?



Federated Church offers membership through an **Inquirers Class**.

The Inquirer's Class is an opportunity to reflect on your faith journey as well as give you information about who we are as a church and why we do what we do.

Join us for our **Fall Inquirers Class**:

7PM Wednesday, October 25th + 7PM Wednesday, November 1st

We will meet in the Lounge here at Federated Church. Childcare is available.

Those who choose membership will join the church during the 10:00 Worship Service on **Sunday, November 12th** in a warm and welcoming ceremony.

Questions or Sign-Up: Contact Brooke Strong at bstrong@fedchurch.org or call 440-247-6490.

Already a Member?

We need you! Become a New Member Partner to extend a warm welcome to someone joining the church. You will be paired with a new member or family to be a welcoming friend to them at church, answer questions they may have, and encourage participation. Be the welcoming church that you are! Contact Rose Brown (rosebrowncf@gmail.com) to participate or ask questions.

Thank you, Membership &
Nominating Commission!



Women's Bible Study

The **Friday Morning Women's Bible Study** meets every Friday in the Lounge from 10-11:30. We are women interested in finding out more about the Bible and how ancient words can have a current meaning and impact in our lives. We are self led but- for the last 8 weeks+ we've been watching and discussing an Eyewitness video series based on the people in the book of Luke. This is not the first one we've used because we very much enjoy the format. At other times we've tackled a book, in the Bible or one that we felt would be in keeping with our area of study. This welcoming group is open to any woman interested in the Bible; learning from it and each other. Join us!

Women's Ministries

Women's Circle meets in Fellowship Hall on October 16th at 1:00. We will be making cards for veterans in the church, thanking them for their service.

Helping Hands meets on Monday, October 23rd at 1:00 in Fellowship Hall

Sit & Stitch meets every Thursday in room 340 at 10:00

Contact Lynne Kessel for further details: lynnekessel@gmail.com.



Fellowship Treats

We are **so excited** to continue Fellowship Hour after Sunday worship services. Federated members take turns bringing treats for Fellowship Hour each Sunday, as scheduled by the Congregational Care Commission. Of course, anyone is welcome to bring treats at any time!

Please bring ready-to-serve treats in disposable containers. Healthy food choices are especially welcome. *Please no nuts*. Thank you for helping to make our Fellowship time delicious and enjoyable!

October 1– last names beginning with L or M

October 8– last names beginning with N, O, P, Q, or R

October 15– last names beginning with S or T

October 22– last names beginning with U, V, W, X, Y, or Z

October 29– A or B



Wear Your Faith



As you **#LiveYourFaith**, you can now **#WearYourFaith**.

Federated merchandise is fun to wear and available!

To view the online store, click [HERE](#).



Performing Arts Series '23-'24 Season

Save the Dates!

We are thrilled to resume the Performing Arts Series this fall!

Full concert details and a season announcement are coming soon, but in the meantime, save these dates for an exciting season!



Saturday, October 14, 2023, 8pm
Apollo's Fire: "Splendour in London"

Saturday, December 2, 2023, 7pm
"Celebrating Marcia Snively: 30 Years at Federated Church"
with Chagrin Falls Studio Orchestra and Federated musicians



Saturday, December 16, 2023, 8pm.
Apollo's Fire: "Wassail! An Irish-Appalachian Christmas"

Saturday, February 24, 2024, 7pm
Sonya Headlam, soprano
Celebrating Black History Month



Saturday, March 2, 2024, 7pm
Cleveland Celtic Ensemble
with a community dinner!

Thursday, April 25, 2024, 7:30pm
Apollo's Fire: "Bach's *Easter Oratorio*"



Friday, May 17, 2024, 7pm
Factory Seconds Brass in Concert

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Wondrous Wednesdays + Gallery Space

Wondrous Wednesdays October 18th Presents...

~"I want to be civil, but honestly....did you really mean to say that ??"~

Come enjoy a **Free community dinner (Yum!)** at 6pm, with speakers at 7pm~ **Bill Shaul and Robin Harbage will present an overview of Braver Angels and their Racial Allyship program.**

Have you ever heard a racist comment and thought you should say something, but didn't know what to say? Or didn't want to upset the speaker? Bill and Robin will lead a demonstration on how to open difficult conversations on important topics with civility and respect. They'll lead a discussion on communication techniques for being an ally. We could all get help with bridging gaps on difficult topics!

Please sign up at fedchurch.org/events, calling the church at 440-247-6490, or emailing Katie at katiesharbage@gmail.com.

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New Featured Artists in the Federated Gallery Space!

Look for new local artists brightening the walls of our Art Gallery Space this Fall! Margaret Heydorn and Steve Koren will share their visions of the world through watercolor and oil paintings, from September through November. They are part of a multiple-award winning group of artists from "S2UDIO", on Bell Street, just one block from the church (if you want to see more of their work!)

You can view their paintings on your way to Fellowship Hall. OR by entering the bottom floor from the back entrance off the parking lot. Their fascinating bios, and price lists for available works can be found in the Gallery Area.



Margaret S. Heydorn, artist

Steve Koren, artist

S.P.I.F.F.Y. NEWS

SERVICE PROJECTS INITIATED FROM FEDERATED YOUTH
SEPTEMBER 2023



SEPTEMBER 17

Our first meeting was full of fun, get-to-know-you games and an ice cream social!



SEPTEMBER 24

We connected with nature for more fun and supported the Worship in Nature event at Sulpher Springs

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCT. 1ST

In-town Scavenger Hunt:
Searching for ways to serve our community

4:30-6 pm
Meet at the Church

OCT. 15TH

No Youth Group

Fall Break

OCT 8TH

Helping the Community Live Collaborative

4:30-6 pm
Meet at the CLC
16349 Chillicothe Rd.

OCT. 22TH

Support Tea Time for Peace

Time: TBD (early afternoon)
Meet at the Church

Questions or service ideas/requests?
Please contact emoore@fedchurch.org or bwright@fedchurch.org

FEDERATED CHURCH
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GROUP

October Meeting Dates:
1st, 8th, 22nd, 29th

Not meeting on October 15th

Sundays at 11:30 - 1:00
Meeting in Room 340

QUESTIONS:

pcantlay@fedchurch.org

gdole@fedchurch.org

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DAY OFF VBS EXPERIENCE:

"GOD HAS A SPOT FOR YOU!"

K – 5th grades

Tuesday, November 7th

8:30 am – 3:00 pm

\$20/child: lunch and snacks provided

Federated Church, Chagrin Falls

Registration required: fedchurch.org/events

klefeber@fedchurch.org



Sunday, October 29th
2-4 pm

Meet at the Church
Costumes are encouraged!
We will walk to Hamlet Village
and share smiles and Halloween Treats
with friends in the community

Invite friends to join the fun

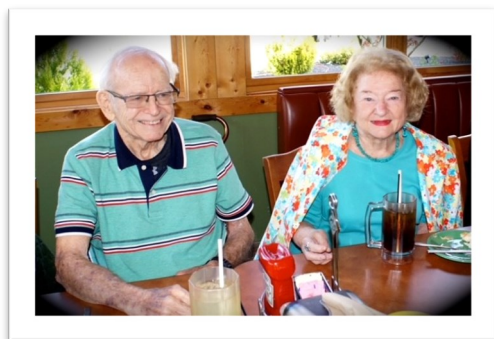


Candy will be provided

Primetime Lunch Out: Brennan's Fish House Friday, October 13 Noon

Join us at Brennan's: 102 River Street Grand River, Ohio 44045

Brennan's Fish House was built in 1865 at the end of the Civil War. It was built as a hotel called the Richmond Inn. The Richmond Inn never really took off as a hotel so the owners put in pool tables and started selling beer & fish to the local fishermen. Word got out and Brennan's is still thriving. Join us for a Friday Fish Fry, see the river and experience this wonderful spot with your Primetime friends. Need a ride? Contact Melissa—carpooling is available! [RSVP](#).



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Upcoming Trips and Speakers: Thank you for sharing your ideas last month—your input is so appreciated (special thank you: Dolores and Jan)! Reach out any time with ideas or join our Board and help with planning. We are encouraged and reinvigorated by the excellent attendance at our Nautica/Lady Caroline trip on August 31! Going forward, our trips will evolve to meet your interests. We will plan a bus trip once a quarter, knowing we can always add to our schedule. We will continue going to local performances and events. Also in the works Lunch and Learn events—some great ideas here too (special thank you to Harriett and Mimi). If you want to get a group together, invite friends and neighbors (special thank you to Sparker and Bill) and to be part of the planning process. Look out for more trips and lecture events in the coming months. For now, enjoy our beautiful Autumn weather and let me know what you are thinking. We will gladly plan whatever you all want to do. It is wonderful to be together! Much love to all, Melissa

Save the Date(s):

- ✓ **October 13: Lunch out at Brennan's**
- ✓ **October 14: Apollo's Fire at Federated**
- ✓ **November 9: Lunch Out at First Watch**
- ✓ **December 2: Celebrate Marcia Snaveley!**
- ✓ **December 14: Holiday Lunch at The Cabin**

RSVP via [REALM](#) or to Melissa: mowen@fedchurch.org / 805.636.4256

Mission & Service

Consider joining Thea Bowman Center's Program Committee

We are a small group who...

- Meets six times per year for one hour via Zoom
- Discusses ideas and resources to maintain and improve Thea Bowman's programs
- Considers how programs, including Community Education (GED, Computer classes), Seniors Outreach, Food Support, Youth Programs, and My Com, reflect TBC's mission of *listen, learn and do*



Thea Bowman Center

Visit the Thea Bowman Center website or **contact Lauren Brandon at lsbrandon616@hotmail.com** for more info or if interested.

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Neighbors in Need Special Mission Offering

Neighbors in Need (NIN) is a special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. This allows us to speak prophetically to those in power and to advocate for a society where all people have a voice in decisions that affect their lives. In the spirit of Christ, we will seek to confront evil in the world and to alleviate suffering. We will do this through direct service as well as advocacy.

One third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two thirds of this offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through grants. Neighbors in Need grants are awarded to UCC churches and organizations doing justice work in their communities. These grants fund projects whose work ranges from direct service to community organizing and advocacy to address systemic injustice.

More information about the NIN offering can be found on the UCC website, UCC.org. We will be accepting donations for the NIN offering on **October 15th**. Donations may be made at the Sunday service, by check, or at fedchurch.org/giving.

Social Justice Advocacy Ministry (SJAM)

A ministry for action as we live into our call for Care and Justice for all of God's people and creation



An Interfaith Community Dialogue *with a focus on getting to know your Muslim neighbor*

Federated United Church of Christ invites you to share in conversation with people of different belief systems, ethnicities, racial backgrounds, and cultures. Enjoy a cup of tea and light refreshments. Engage in honest dialogue in a nonjudgmental, respectful environment in which each person has an opportunity to listen and to be heard.

Sunday, October 22, 2023

Registration 2:00-2:30 Program 2:30- 4:00

Federated United Church of Christ
Fellowship Hall 76 Bell St. Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

Register at: fedchurch.org/events or call 440-247-649 or use QR code:



Walk-ins welcome but early registration encouraged to facilitate check-in
Parking in lot behind church for handicapped or park in adjacent school lot

Teatime for Peace seeks to build bridges across different religions and cultures, to heal divisions and overcome stereotypes, to reduce fear of the "other". During guided conversations about faith, values, and family history in America, we experience our commonality and shared humanity.

Be Part of Building the Beloved Community



<https://fedchurch.org>



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October Creation Care Tip of the Month

Did you know You can help to protect Ohio's State Public Lands?

Ohio's public lands need us now more than ever. There are some things happening in Ohio that could affect the health and well-being of the Ohio State Parks and the health of all life in and around the parks. Did you know...

- There are 75 STATE PARKS IN OHIO
- There are 170,000 ACRES OF OHIO STATE PARKS
- There are 31 Million STATE PARK VISITORS EACH YEAR
- There are \$8.1 billion ADDED TO THE ECONOMY EACH YEAR

Save Ohio Parks is an all volunteer grassroots group of Ohio citizens concerned about what happens to our state parks, forests, wildlife areas, and other public lands. To learn more, visit their website: ["Save Ohio Parks"](https://saveohioparks.org). They outline the threats to the parks, and invite those who want regular ways to take action to sign up to receive regular updates. They will provide you with resources and actions that you can take to protect our parks. Our voice is important in protecting the beautiful world that God created. Use your voice to support nature.

To stay informed and to learn more visit [Save Ohio Parks](https://saveohioparks.org) - (<https://saveohioparks.org/join-us/>)

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**Monday, October 23rd at 7:00 pm in Fellowship Hall
Federated Church, 76 Bell St., Chagrin Falls 44022**

Join us for a Speaker Panel on the topic:

YOUNG PEOPLE WHO LACK FAMILY PRIVILEGE IN AND OUT OF THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM



Please plan to attend this informative evening as we listen to a panel discussion on Ohio's Foster Care System. Two young adults will be sharing some of their experiences.



Then we will hear Andrea Pollack discuss Family and Community Services' Program: "Next Step" for those who age out of Foster Care.

There will be a time for Q and A moderated by a Geauga County Job and Family Services Social Worker.



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JOB & FAMILY SERVICES**

The evening will end with our own Bill Shaul discussing his experience with Open Table, a mentoring program through Community of Hope.

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The Chagrin Valley Council of Churches Presents... L.E.A.F – A Ministry for Families of the Incarcerated

Do you have a loved one who is incarcerated? Do you know someone who does? It can be an experience that results in isolation, shame, and fear. **LEAF** Ministry offers support by bringing together families and friends of the incarcerated to share experiences, network resources, and help deal with the difficulties involved. **LEAF** stands for **L**istening, **E**ncouraging, and **a**ssisting, **F**amilies of the incarcerated. A **LEAF** support ministry is beginning at Church of the Resurrection, 32001 Cannon Road in Solon. Meetings will be on the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. They are non-denominational and confidential. If you are interested or have questions call 440-248-0980 X27.



Collection for NEOCH (Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless)

Members of Federated Church have an opportunity to share their bounty and blessings with people who are unhoused through our project with the Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless (NEOCH).

We are collecting NEW and GENTLY USED, CLEAN outerwear for people of all ages. Please donate men's, women's, and children's winter coats, winter hats, waterproof gloves, new winter socks, winter boots, and scarves.

- ✓ Place CLEAN items only in the labeled boxes near the Angel Desk **October 1 - 31**.
- ✓ Please only donate items that you would be proud to give to a friend or relative.
- ✓ No cast-off items, please. CLEAN items, only.

Nothing to donate? Please consider a financial contribution.

Make your check payable to Federated Church and write "NEOCH collection" in the memo line.

Questions?

Please text Cathy Watterson at 216.978.1037 or Patti Lyden at 440.773.0781.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!



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Our Mission is to engage communities around social and environmental justice issues by empowering untapped relationships, collaborations, and understandings across boundaries

The CLC: The Healing Power of a Labyrinth & Memorial Garden

On Saturday, Sept 23, I witnessed a visceral transformation at the FLC memorial gardens. Strangers drew together with a common purpose: to honor a loved one who died due to a public health epidemic. Gun violence and opioid use disorder threatens our everyday spaces of grocery stores, sanctuaries, movie theaters, and parks. All ages and demographics remain at risk so long as we are silent.

Folks from all walks of life circled round the labyrinth for a Tree of Life Ceremony honoring 15 families. Rev. Michael Anthony, Minister of Faith in Action, dedicated the space explaining that the difference between a maze and a labyrinth is that in a maze you lose your way, but a labyrinth helps you find yourself. We heard Sharina Zayed tell a mother's raw story of grief and new conviction. Folks shared about the emergence social nonprofits formed out of the ashes of deep grief.

Then each family was escorted by a dedicated OSU Master Gardener to a site, just beyond the labyrinth, prepared to set a burr oak, sycamore, persimmon or pawpaw to participate in the planting, care, and blessing. Tears flowed, photos flashed, and stories shared. Holes filled with the promise of new life.

Volunteers from Remember Love Recovery Project engaged all ages in painting Remembering Love flags, created for healing and to emphasize human connection.

The families of these victims of gun violence or opioid overdose are grateful for the opportunity to celebrate their beloved. Please read each name and hold their families in prayer.

Amir R. Bradley Barbara Gudrun Erickson Arthur Davis III William Randell Dycus-Pipkins III Christopher L. Martin Emmanuel Hozea Smith	Terry Lee Pinkney Andre Brown Angus Berry Ryan Bode Moriarty Cameron Murray Miguel Mitchel	Johnshae Boyd Bey ("MAN MAN") Kalen D. Vines Kevontae D. Ruffin Dailyn Ferguson Miguel Mitchell
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A Mother's Message in response to the Tree of Life Ceremony:

"I just wanted to thank you again. I felt so much love today that I am most grateful for. To be able to honor my son with a tree memorial so much to me. It gives my family and I a place we can always go to. A place to watch something beautiful flourish. And what better than surrounded by a pond and waterfall. My words don't do diligence for what my heart feels." Mrs. Kenneta Bey



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Join us in the Upcoming CLC Programming:

The CLC October PRISM Forum brings programs and celebrations that elevate community practices of equity, relationship, inclusion, and accessibility.

Thurs. Oct 12 PRISM: Good Life Ambassadors 12-1:00 pm at the Family Life Center 16349 Chillicothe Rd, Bainbridge 44023. *Through the Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities, adults with developmental disabilities share personal stories and perspectives to create disability acceptance and inclusion.*

Wed. Oct 18 PRISM: Safe & Sustainable Community Living 6-8:00 pm at the Family Life Center 16349 Chillicothe Rd, Bainbridge 44023. *What are the challenges facing differently abled individuals entering adulthood? Solon Community Living is creating a community-accessible neighborhood providing a "braided" experience that allows families, care staff, and individuals to work together toward choice & self-determination.*

Sat. Oct 21 PRISM: Oak-y Dokie 5K & Sensory Festival 10 am-3:00 pm at the Family Life Center 16349 Chillicothe Rd, Bainbridge 44023. *Join a community-wide Celebration!! An all-terrain chip-timed 5K run and Able Acorn All-Abilities Walk followed by a fall festival "Leaf Party" designed with inclusion in mind and created collaboratively by local community resource organizations supporting individuals with neurodivergence.*

Tues. Oct 24 PRISM: Estate & Financial Planning for People with Disabilities 2-3:00 pm at the Family Life Center 16349 Chillicothe Rd, Bainbridge 44023. *Planning for a loved one with a disability can be challenging and daunting. Discover effective tools you can use for ensuring a supportive future for unique needs.*

Our Nature: Bees, Bugs, and Pollinators exhibit, learn about the vital importance of pollinators to all our lives.

The [Community Life Collaborative](http://CommunityLifeCollaborative) manages all operations and covers repair costs of the FLC for Federated. To schedule church programs at the FLC, please email ed@communitylifecollaborative.org for details. The CLC is a separate 501(c)3 nonprofit partnering with Federated Church to engage transformation through collaboration for a just and sustainable world. To get involved or stay informed, subscribe to CLC email blasts, follow us on social media, or reach out anytime!



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Hello,

It is hard to believe it has already been 1 week since my Mom's service. On behalf of my entire family, I wanted to extend my sincere appreciation for all that you and other volunteers did to help with the service. It was beautiful and everything went so smoothly for us. The baked goods were absolutely delicious and the presence of everyone greeting and helping out was so wonderful. I also really appreciate the help in dealing with some of our leftovers. I tried so hard to get other family members to take more and if my husband and I didn't fly to CF, I'm certain we would've taken more.

I have made an online donation to the Church in honor of the Memorial Ministry volunteers.

Thank you again. I am so grateful.
Julie Shaffer Smack



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Thank you, Federated Church
for all your love and caring
shown our family during
the recent illness and passing
of my son, Scott Snively.
We were especially appreciative
of the staff and church
volunteers who arranged for
a Celebration of Life service
and reception in a very short
time. What a blessing to
be part of such a church
family. Thank you, thank you,
thank you.
Marcia Snively

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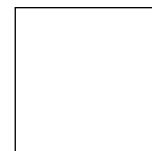


We are so
thankful for a
lifetime of love &
support from all of
you at Federated
Church.

Thank you so much
for everything!
Kurt, Jeanne,
& family



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