

August 25, 2024

Welcome!



federated

*live your faith*



Next Week:

Sunday, September 1st

Rev. Betsy Wooster  
preaches

10 am  
Traditional Worship  
In-Person and Online via  
YouTube

**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.*

# WHAT'S HAPPENIN

## Save the Date!

### 2024-25 Confirmation Class Starts in September!

An Introductory meeting for 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students and their parents for the Confirmation year ahead will be held after worship on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to attend this meeting to learn important and needed details about Confirmation classes that will officially begin on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> from 9:45- 11:15AM. Look for an email from Rev. Wooster in the week ahead for more information and an opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have. Visit [fedchurch.org/events](https://fedchurch.org/events) to register.

### We're Creating a Memory Book for Rev. Hamilton

Get ready to celebrate Rev. Hamilton's amazing nearly 20-year ministry and bid him a fond farewell into retirement! Brooke Strong is on a mission to gather up all those unforgettable moments for a memory book. From inspiring sermons to soulful support and heartwarming chats, share your stories and snapshots by emailing [bstrong@fedchurch.org](mailto:bstrong@fedchurch.org). Handwritten notes are also welcome! Let's fill this book with love and laughter to create a touching tribute.

### Wondrous Wednesday: Fair Elections, Fair Districts, & Food

**Wednesday, September 18th in Fellowship Hall**

**Dinner 6:00 pm, Program 7:00 pm**

The Voting Rights Sub-Committee of Social Justice Advocacy Ministry (SJAM) sponsors Wondrous Bring family and friends! All are welcome. Register for dinner on Realm. Richard Margolius will educate guests about the "Citizens Not Politicians" anti- gerrymandering, fair districts initiative that will be on the November 5th ballot in Ohio. Bob Chalfant will educate guests about "The Steps that Ensure Election Security" that are taken in Ohio to keep our election free and fair.

### Federated Women's Retreat

**September 27-28th**

Woman of all ages are invited to come and bring a friend to learn new spiritual practices to help hear God in through the noise of our current world. A \$10 donation to cover costs will be collected at the door. [CLICK HERE](#) to register!

# ING AT FEDERATED?

## Federated Inquirer's Class

**November 6th and 13th**

Are you a visitor or frequent attendee? We invite you to deepen your connection with the Federated Family by becoming a member. Membership offers leadership opportunities, voting rights, and a chance to commit spiritually to our church and its mission. Inquirer's classes for those interested will be held on Nov. 6 and Nov. 13. Contact Brooke, [bstrong@fedchurch.org](mailto:bstrong@fedchurch.org) to sign up, and watch for more details in the Spire and bulletin.

## Join the Federated Children's Choir this Fall!

Calling all children entering grades 1-8! Our first rehearsal is Monday, August 26th, at 4 pm in the large choir room (parking lot entrance level). We'll rehearse every Monday from 4-4:45 pm, except for Labor Day (9/2) and October 14 (CF Schools fall break). We'll be preparing for performances in September and October, and our Christmas Musical on December 15th! No experience is needed, and we'll use fun props and instruments along with our singing voices. Families don't need to be members of Federated to participate. Bring your children and their friends to the first rehearsal on Monday, August 26th, at 4 pm (CF Intermediate School students are welcome at 3:15 pm after dismissal). For questions, contact Pat Haynish at [phaynish@sbcglobal.net](mailto:phaynish@sbcglobal.net) or 440-263-3356.

## The Mission and Service Commission Needs Your Help!

The Mission and Service Commission is now actively seeking nominations for this year's Christmas Eve Offering. We are asking current Federated Church members to nominate your favorite 501.c3. Organization. We are taking nominations until September 22nd. Forms can be found at the Angel Desk, main office and the narthex. Completed applications can be given to Marty Culbertson or to the Mission and Service Commission Spread the word! Peace



## FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

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

**Joanne Dissauer** as she recovers from a broke foot ad Covid- 151 Bell St  
Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

This month, please pray for our mission partners **St. Paul's Community Church and their outreach programs.**

This week, please pray for staff members **Jake Magalski and Susi Kawolics.**

**Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers this week:** Bob Abley, Debbie Baker, Mary Ann Boysen, Marge Overman.

You were welcomed today by members of the **Properties and Finance, Human Resources, Legacy, and Telling Our Story committees and friends.**

## ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this morning are given in loving memory of Richard and Virginia Huebscher, and Winfield and Ethel Scott, by Cindy and Miriam Huebscher-Scott.

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 **N, O, P, Q, and R** 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 **S and T** are invited to bring treats. Thank you in advance for your participation!

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