

# Welcome to Federated Church



November 17, 2024

# Prelude

*At the sound of the chimes,  
please prepare your hearts for worship.*

“We Gather Together”

by F. Peeters

Marcia Snavely, organ



# Hospitality Books

Please sign the hospitality books found  
at the end of the pews.

For those online,  
please say “hi” in the  
YouTube chat or email  
[bstrong@fedchurch.org](mailto:bstrong@fedchurch.org)

Thank you for being here!



# **Happy 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday, Byron Lutman!**

Join the Lutman family for cake  
in Fellowship Hall after worship!

# **SJAM and CLC Event**

**Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm**

**Family Life Center**

**“From Stories to Support:  
A Journey of Shared Compassion”**

# Food Collection

Through Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>

Items will be distributed to local food pantries.

Financial contributions can be made with  
“Hunger Fund” in the memo or in Realm.

# Advent Booklets for 2024

Susi Kawolics' annual Advent booklets  
are now available!

They can be found in the Narthex or at the front  
angel desk in the lobby.







*“Give Thanks to God With a Loud Amen!”*  
*by Robert Thygerson*

*Federated Choir*  
*Marcia Snavely, organ*  
*Joshua Konow, conductor*

*“Praise HIM”*  
*Susanna Katherine '00*



# Call to Worship

Pastor Vicki McGaw, reader

One: We gather together to worship,  
knowing that God is already here among  
us.

**All: We gather knowing that there is  
nothing that separates us from God's  
presence.**

One: Wherever we go, whenever we go,  
God is near.

**All: So let us enter this service of worship with confidence and hope, knowing that God stands eager to meet us and ready to shower us with unending love.**

# Passing of Christ's Peace

(K-8<sup>th</sup> Grade children are dismissed  
for Sunday School in Rooms  
220 and 240)



# “Gather Us In” No. 284

Here in this place,  
the new light is streaming,  
Shadows of doubt  
are vanished away.

See in this space  
our fears and our dreamings,  
Brought here to you  
in the light of this day.



Gather us in,  
the lost and forsaken;

Gather us in;  
our spirits inflame.

Call to us now,  
and we shall awaken;

We shall arise  
at the sound of our name

We are the young –  
Our lives are a mystery;  
We are the old,  
Who yearn for your face.  
We have been sung  
Throughout all of history,  
Called to be light  
To the whole human race.

Gather us in-  
the rich and the haughty  
Gather us in –  
the proud and the strong;  
Give us a heart  
so meek and so lowly;  
Give us the courage  
to enter the song.

Here we receive  
New life in the waters;  
Here we receive  
The bread of new birth;  
Here you shall call  
Your sons and your daughters,  
Call us anew  
To be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink  
the wine of compassion,  
give us to eat  
the bread that is you;  
Nourish us well,  
and teach us to fashion  
lives that are holy  
and hearts that are true.

Not just in buildings,  
Small and confining,  
Not in some heaven,  
Light years away,  
Here in this place  
The new light is shining;  
Now is God present  
And now is the day.

Gather us in  
and hold us forever;  
gather us in  
and make us your own;  
gather us in,  
all peoples together,  
fire of love  
in our flesh and our bone.





# Opening Prayer (Unison)

Thea Mozingo, reader

Compassionate and faithful God, in whom we live and move and have our being, we come this morning in need of your presence and your blessing. As we gather together, remove from our minds and hearts whatever impediments hinder our worship or dampen our joy. Transform us, move us and mold us so that when you call us by name, we will never be the

same. Increase within us that holy longing for a closeness to you and to one another that can open our lives to fuller delight and deeper commitment. Amen



# Invitation to Generosity

Our roots are firmly planted in Federated, growing deeper and stronger by the day.

Go to

[www.fedchurch.org/giving](http://www.fedchurch.org/giving)

to embody our rooted spirit.

*“His Love Never Fails”*  
*by Craig Courtney*



*Federated Choir*  
*Marcia Snavely, piano*  
*Joshua Konow, conductor*

## Doxology/Hymn of Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts:  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.



# Prayers of Thanksgiving and Fellowship of Prayer

Thea Mozingo



# The 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.*



# “Stand By Me” No.629

When the storms of life are raging,  
stand by me (stand by me);  
when the storms of life are raging,  
stand by me (stand by me);  
when the world is tossing me  
like a ship upon the sea,  
thou who rulest wind and water,  
Stand by me (stand by me).

In the midst of tribulation,  
stand by me (stand by me);  
in the midst of tribulation,  
stand by me (stand by me);  
when the hosts of hell assail,  
and my strength begins to fail,  
thou who never lost a battle,  
stand by me (stand by me).

In the midst of faults and failures,  
stand by me (stand by me);  
in the midst of faults and failures,  
stand by me (stand by me);  
when I've done the best I can,  
and my friends misunderstand,  
thou who knowest all about me,  
stand by me (stand by me).

In the midst of persecution,  
stand by me (stand by me);  
in the midst of persecution,  
stand by me (stand by me);  
when my foes in war array  
undertake to stop my way,  
thou who saved Paul and Silas,  
stand by me (stand by me).

When I'm growing old and feeble,  
stand by me (stand by me);  
when I'm growing old and feeble,  
stand by me (stand by me);  
when my life becomes a burden,  
and I'm nearing chilly Jordan,  
O thou Lily of the Valley,  
stand by me (stand by me).





## Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

11 And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. 12 But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” 13 and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his

feet.” 14 For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

## **A Call to Persevere**

19 Therefore, my brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, 20 by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his

flesh), 21 and since we have a great priest over the house of God, 22 let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. 23 Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. 24 And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, 25 not

neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

## Mark 13:1-8

### **The Destruction of the Temple Foretold**

13 As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” 2 Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

3 When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 4 “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” 5 Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. 6 Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. 7 When you hear of

wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. 8 For nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.





# Sermon

Pastor Vicki McGaw



# “This Is My Song” No.722

This is my song, O God of all the nations,  
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.

This is my home,  
the country where my heart is;

here are my hopes,  
my dreams, my holy shrine:

but other hearts in other lands are beating  
with hopes and dreams  
as true and high as mine.

My country's skies  
are bluer than the ocean,  
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine;  
but other lands  
have sunlight too, and clover,  
and skies are everywhere as blue as mine:  
O hear my song, O God of all the nations,  
a song of peace for their land  
and for mine.

This is my prayer, O Ruler of all nations:  
let thy reign come;  
on earth thy will be done.

In peace may all  
earth's people draw together,  
and hearts united learn to live as one.

O hear my prayer,  
thou God of all the nations;  
Myself I give thee; let thy will be done.



# Postlude

*Please remain seated or depart quietly  
during the Postlude.*

“Toccata Eroica”  
by E. Broughton  
Marcia Snavely, organ

*Serving in worship today:*

*Vicki McGaw, Interim Pastor*

*Rev. Betsy Wooster, Pastor of Spiritual  
Formation*

*Joshua Konow, Director of Music Ministries*

*Marcia Snavely, Organist*

*Federated Choir*

*Thea Mozingo, reader*

*Dave Mast, audio*

*Ward Pierson and Barry Biggin, video*