December 8, 2024

Welcome!

To Give:



Next Week: **Sunday, December 15th**

Third Sunday of Advent

Federated Children's Choir Musical

10 am
Traditional Worship
In-Person and Online via
YouTube



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.

WHAT'S HAPPENIN

Federated Youth Bake Sale

Sunday, December 8th, 10-11 AM Fellowship Hall

Support the Federated Youth and St. Paul's Christmas Community Store! Enjoy delicious treats, with all proceeds helping kids in need experience the joy of the holiday season.

Share the Joy of Christmas – St. Paul's Christmas Store Tree

Support the St. Paul's Community Church Christmas Store by donating NEW, unwrapped toys and gifts for kids of all ages. Drop them under the tree in the Church Lobby by December 8th. Questions? Contact Marty at Mculbert@fedchurch.org.

Christmas Caroling: Share the Joy!

Sunday, December 8th

Join us after worship on Sunday, December 8, for one of Pastor Vicki's favorite traditions—spreading holiday cheer through caroling! After a hearty soup lunch, we'll head out to sing for homebound members, returning around 2:30 pm for cookies and hot chocolate. Sign up at The Angel Desk or <u>fedchurch.org/events</u>. to be part of this heartwarming experience!

Primetime Trip to the Cleveland Botanical Garden

Thursday, December 12th, 11 AM-4 PM

Join us for Northeast Ohio's favorite holiday experience at the Cleveland Botanical Garden. Enjoy dazzling lights, festive displays, and themed rooms! Tickets are \$16.50 at the group rate and must be purchased in advance. We'll meet at the FLC at 11:00 am for the 12:00 pm entry, enjoy lunch onsite at their café, and return to the FLC around 4:00 pm. Sign up now at fedchurch.org/events to reserve your spot!

Bethlehem Market

Sunday, December 15th, Immediately Following Worship Fellowship Hall

Experience the joy of the season on Sunday, Dec. 15, after worship! Enjoy a whimsical market with fun activities for kids of all ages, festive tents, and a light lunch. All are welcome!

Events: fedchurch.org/events | Calendar: fedchurch.

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The King's Brass: Christmas Celebration

Sunday, December 22nd, 4 PM Sanctuary

The world-renowned King's Brass presents many of your favorite Christmas classics with a contemporary flair! Tim Zimmerman leads the 9 member King's Brass in their return to Northeast Ohio. Heralded as "truly, an unforgettable experience," this fun for the whole family concert will surely delight! Reception to follow! Tickets can be purchased at fedchurch.org/PAS.

Christmas Wreaths and Poinsettias on Sale

Holiday poinsettias and wreaths will once again decorate our church during the Advent season. The poinsettias and wreaths may be purchased in your name, In Honor of, or In Memory Of a loved one or friend. The cost is \$20 per plant or \$30 per wreath. A listing of those names will appear in Christmas Eve bulletins. All proceeds from the sale will go to support Federated Youth programs.

All donations are due by Sunday, December 15th. You can drop it into the collection plate on Sunday mornings with the form from the announcement attached. If writing a check, note "Poinsettia/Wreath" in the memo line. If giving online visit fedchurch.org/giving, use the memo line to add your dedication. Contact communications@fedchurch.org with any questions.

Name:		
Date:	No. of Poinsettias:	No. of Wreaths:
In Memory of/ In Honor of:_		

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Please include in your prayers this week....

Ann Gaskin continuing to deal with ovarian cancer and under Hospice Care- 210 Senlac Hills Dr, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

This month, please pray for our mission partners– Re:Sorce Cleveland; The Christmas Eve Offering Recipients

This week, please pray for staff members **Betsy Wooster** and **Beth Rutkowski**.

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

You were welcomed today by members of the Mission & Service Commission, The Social Justice Advocacy Ministry, and friends.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this morning are given in loving memory of Alan and Peggie Jo Shinagawa's parents, Otto and Gladys Shinagawa and Bob and Willie Gibson.

The flowers will be distributed after worship by the Sunday School students and their families, along with our volunteer Christmas Carolers, to some of our Federated homebound family.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR 11a-12p

Thank you to congregants with the last names beginning with **H, I, J, or K** 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 **L or M** are invited to bring treats. Thank you in advance for your participation!





