### July 20, 2025

## Welcome!

To Give:



#### Next Week: Sunday, July 27th

Pastor Vicki McGaw preaches

10 am Traditional Worship In-Person and Online via YouTube

Need a Connection?









## 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

### **Christmas in July Offering**

**Today, July 20**, we will collect the **Christmas Fund Offering**, a special United Church of Christ initiative that supports retired and active clergy and lay employees through emergency grants, small annuity supplements, and health premium assistance. Thank you for prayerfully considering a gift to support those who have faithfully served the church.

#### Family Life Center Open House

#### TODAY, July 20th | Noon-2 PM | Family Life Center

When was the last time you visited the Family Life Center? Come explore all it has to offer! Walk the labyrinth, check out the playground, tour the building and grounds, and enjoy the beautiful outdoor space. Grab lunch from a food truck and enjoy complimentary sweet treats provided by the church. Bring the whole family and discover the fun and fellowship happening at the FLC! We can't wait to see you there!

## Family Pool Party at the Wembley Club

Join us for summer fun at the Wembley pool! We'll have pizza, drinks, and plenty of time to relax and play together **Sunday**, **July 27, 5–8 PM**. The event is Free! Please RSVP at fedchurch.org/ events or on Realm so we have an accurate count. All are welcome!

### **Federated Playgroup**

#### Wednesdays | 9:30–11:00 AM | All Summer | For kids Birth–5th grade

Join us for summer play, outdoor fun, and new friends! Open to the community—no registration needed. All are welcome!

### Lorax Family Summer Read-Along

Join us as we read *The Lorax* and explore how to care for our planet! Families are invited to a special read-along and book discussion during Wednesday Playgroup on July 23 at 9:30 AM. Then on Sunday, July 27 after worship, kids will host a lemonade stand fundraiser to support a creation care project of their choice. We'll wrap up with a fun Lorax Movie Night on Wednesday, July 30 at 6 PM. Weekly take-home handouts will help families keep the conversation going. Sign up at fedchurch.org/events or on Realm. Questions? Contact Brooke at <u>bstrong@fedchurch.org</u>.

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## **Realm Training Opportunities**

Want to get more comfortable using Realm? Join us for a hands-on training session to learn how to navigate the platform, update your information, and stay connected. Upcoming sessions will be held Thursday, July 29 from 12 to 3 PM and Sunday, August 3 from 11:30 AM to 1 PM. All are welcome!

### 28 Days: HerStories Across Generations

#### Tuesday, August 5th | 6 PM | Fellowship Hall

Join us for an inspiring evening of shared stories, connection, and conversation among women of all ages and backgrounds. Celebrate what unites us through real talk, diverse perspectives, and mutual encouragement. Dinner and childcare provided! Sign up at fedchurch.org/events.

## The Generosity Commission invites ALL of you to sign up for Federated's Fall Follies Variety Show & Celebration of Talents!

Join us on September 21st at the Family Life Center from 4:00–6:00 PM to showcase your talent. Whether it's performing on stage, displaying a piece of art, or baking the best brownies, we want you to share your unique gifts! Interested in participating? Visit fedchurch.org/events to sign up. For questions, contact Thea Mozingo at <u>tmozingo@fedchurch.org</u>.

## **All Church Picnic**

#### Sunday, August 10 | After Worship | Family Life Center

Join us for food, fun, and fellowship at our annual All-Church Picnic! Enjoy lunch, games, activities, and a friendly (but competitive) kickball game. Stay tuned for more details—we can't wait to picnic with you!

### **Update the Picture Directory**

We're refreshing our member directory for Rally Day! Please check your Realm profile for accuracy. To be excluded, update your settings under "Include in Picture Directory?" Send a vertical photo (~1MB) with names to <u>pics@fedchurch.org</u>, or contact Marty to schedule a photo. Questions? Email <u>mculbert@fedchurch.org</u>. Let's celebrate our Federated family!

#### FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Please include in your prayers this week....

**The Family of Gayle Bauer** who passed away on July 4th- 16600 Warren Ct Apt 204 Chagrin Falls, OH 44023

This month, please pray for our mission partners– Lutheran Metropolitan Ministries Food Truck

This week, please pray for staff members **Marcia Snavely** and **Judy Bagley-Bonner.** 

#### Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers this

**week:** Martine Scheuermann and Sue Mansour

### USHERS/GREETERS

You were welcomed today by members of the **Federated Music Ministries and Friends.** 

#### ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers are given today in celebration of this wonderful Federated Family of Faith!

#### FELLOWSHIP HOUR 11a-12p

Thank you to congregants with the last names beginning with **C and D** for providing treats today.

Next Sunday– Congregation members with last names beginning with **E**, **F**, **and G** are invited to bring treats. Thank you in advance for your participation.

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