August 24, 2025

Welcome!

To Give:



Next Week: **Sunday, August 31st**

Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner preaches

10 am
Traditional Worship
In-Person and Online via
YouTube

Need a Connection?







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 Children's Choirs

Open to all students entering grades 1–8. **First rehearsal: Mon., Aug. 25, 4–4:45 PM** in the large choir room. Meets every Monday this fall (except Sept. 1 & Oct. 13). Chagrin Intermediate students can walk over after dismissal. No experience needed—props, instruments, and fun included! Non-members welcome. Questions? Contact Pat Haynish at phaynish@sbcglobal.net or 440-263-3356.

Blood Drive

Tuesday, August 26th | 12-6 PM | Fellowship Hall

Help save lives by donating blood at Federated Church UCC on **Tuesday, August 26, from 12:00–6:00 PM** in Fellowship Hall. Every donation makes a difference for patients in need, and your gift of blood can be life-saving. To schedule an appointment, visit <u>RedCrossBlood.org</u> and enter sponsor code FedChurch, call 1-800-RED-CROSS, or sign up through the Red Cross Blood Donor App. Let's come together as a community to help keep the blood supply strong!

SJAM Presents: Banned Book Bingo

Wednesday, August 27 | 7 PM | Family Life Center

Join us at the Federated Church Family Life Center for an engaging evening of Banned Books Bingo, hosted by the ACLU of Ohio. Celebrate the freedom to read and reflect on notable works that have been challenged or banned over the years. Tickets are \$20 and include three rounds of bingo and light refreshments. Bingo resources are provided by Red, Wine and Blue. Federated Church is also creating a "Banned Books" section in the church library—donations are welcome. Register at: https://action.aclu.org/event/banned-books-bingo-federated-church-family-life-center Questions? Contact Nicole Curet at ncuret@acluohio.org or SJAM at sjamfedchurch@gmail.com.

It's Time to Update the Picture Directory

We're refreshing the member directory for Rally Day on September 7. Please review your Realm profile to make sure your information is current. If you prefer not to be included, update your settings under "Include in Picture Directory?" You can send a vertical photo (around 1MB) with names to pics@fedchurch.org or contact Marty to schedule a photo session. **Marty will also be taking photos after worship Next Sunday, August 31st after worship**. Questions? Email mculbert@fedchurch.org.

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

IG AT FEDERATED?

Protecting Democracy-Free Forum

Join us on **Saturday, September 6**, at **Pilgrim Congregational UCC, Cleveland** for a free public forum on protecting democracy. Coffee and breakfast begin at 9:30 AM, followed by a program from 10:00 AM–1:00 PM with keynote speaker Dr. Ayesha Bell-Hardaway and panels of democracy advocates. Networking follows until 1:30 PM. Co-sponsored by Federated Church's Social Justice Advocacy Ministry (SJAM) and community partners. Free and open to the public. Questions? Email racialequitybuddies@gmail.com.

We Want to Know What You Did This Summer!

We would love to see a picture of how you and yours celebrated summer this year. We are asking for photos from your summer vacation, staycation, trip to the zoo or just fun in the sun. We are planning on sharing a video with the congregation of all the ways that our faith family celebrated this summer. Please email your photo to pics@fedchurch.org and put your name and Summer 2025 in the memo line. **We will be accepting photos until August 26th.**

Inquirers' Class

Curious about Federated or considering making it your church home? Join us for two relaxed and engaging sessions to learn more about our faith community, meet new friends, and explore membership. Session 1: Wed., Sept. 3rd, 7–9 PM in the Lounge (optional tour at 6:30 PM) Session 2: Sat., Sept. 6th, 9 AM in Fellowship Hall with a continental breakfast. Childcare available upon request. New members welcomed Sun., Sept. 14. RSVP to Brooke at bstrong@fedchurch.org or 440–247–6490.

Rally Day-September 7th

Join us as we kick off the new program year at Federated Church! Worship will take place in the **Sanctuary at 10:00 AM**, followed by a **festival in the church parking lot at 11:00 AM**. Enjoy a picnic lunch of pulled pork, beans, mac & cheese, coleslaw, and drinks (please bring a side dish or dessert to share), plus live music by *Up Til 4*, an ice cream truck, balloon artist *Twister Girl*, pickleball, and games for all ages. We're also excited to welcome **Re:Source Cleveland's food truck** with a farmer's market. Come celebrate, reconnect, and start the fall season with joy and community!

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Please include in your prayers this week....

Lisa Braun following the death of her brother Alan Pfeiffer on August 8th- 371 Bentleyville Rd., Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

The family of Joan Butler after her death on August 19th-90 Grey Fox Run, CF 44022

This month, please pray for our mission partners– **Diaper Bank of Greater Cleveland**

This week, please pray for staff members **Marcia Snavely** and **Joshua Konow.**

Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers this week: Myia Sterling, Sonja Solar, Carol King-Shaw

USHERS/GREETERS

You were welcomed today by members of the **Administration 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 next week for Fellowship Hour. Thank you in advance for your participation.

FEDERATED CHURCH 76 BELL ST. CHAGRIN FALLS, OHIO 44022

WEB: www.fedchurch.org PHONE: 440.247.6490 EMAIL: fedchurch@fedchurch.org





