

September 28, 2025

Welcome!

To Give:



Next Week:

Sunday, October 5th

Pastor Vicki McGaw preaches

World Communion Sunday

10 am

Traditional Worship

In-Person and Online via
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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.

Welcome Visitors!

If you are visiting Federated today, we are so glad you are here. Please stop by the table outside the Sanctuary and pick up a green Welcome Bag—it's our gift to you with information about Federated and a few small treats. We hope it helps you feel at home!

WHAT'S HAPPENIN

Blessing of Pets

Sunday, September 28th | 12 PM | South Russell Park (1000 Bell Rd.)

Bring your pet—or a picture—for a short, family-friendly service, individual blessings, and a potluck celebration. Please leash or crate pets for safety. Donations of pet food, treats, toys, and blankets will be collected for Rescue Village. All are welcome!

Fall Book Study with Judy Bagley-Bonner

Join us for a fall study of *Putting Away Childish Things: A Tale of Modern Faith* by Marcus Borg, a novel that explores faith, scripture, and the questions of belief today. Sessions run October 2 through November 13 (no meeting October 23) and meet on Thursdays from 10:30–11:45 am at Federated and from 6:30–7:45 pm on Zoom. Sign up through the church office, in Fellowship Hall, or online. Please obtain your own book, available online or at Fireside Book Shop. For more information, contact Judy Bagley-Bonner at 440-478-0159.

Help Needed: Prescription Bottle Labels

Our Creation Care Team needs your help preparing empty pill bottles for Matthew 25 medical relief ministries. Join us in Fellowship Hall from 1–3 pm on October 6, 20, and 27 to remove labels and wash bottles. Together, we can reduce landfill waste while helping people in need.

Youth Study Group

Beginning Thursday, October 9, students are invited to the Lounge from 6–8 pm for a new Youth Study Group. This is a space to focus, collaborate, and receive support—whether working on projects with peers, mentoring younger students, or reviewing with licensed teachers before exams. Volunteers are also welcome; this is a great service opportunity. For more information or to volunteer, contact Oliver at omason@fedchurch.org.

Performing Arts Series Presents: Roman Rabinovich, Pianist

Thursday, October 9th | 7 PM | Sanctuary

The 2025–2026 season opens with internationally acclaimed pianist Roman Rabinovich, praised for his “uncommon sensitivity and feeling.” The program features works by Haydn, Debussy, Beethoven, and Schumann, followed by a reception. Student tickets (ages 18 and under or with valid ID) are welcome in any section. Learn more and purchase tickets at fedchurch.org/pas.

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Kerygma Bible Study

Sundays, Oct. 12–Nov. 23 | 8:30–9:30 am | Room G30

Led by Peggie Jo Shinagawa

Join us for a 7-week introduction to the Bible using the Kerygma Program. Explore how the Bible came to be, what the Old and New Testaments are about, and how scripture speaks to our lives today. Materials: Bible + Kerygma Resource Book (\$21 / \$19 large print). Books will be ordered through the church. Childcare available. Sign up on Realm or in Fellowship Hall.

Wondrous Wednesday: Stages of Life and the Law Planning for Your Life and Legacy

Wednesday, October 15th | 6–8 PM | Fellowship Hall

Join us for an informative evening with Dana DeCapite, Attorney exploring how the law intersects with different stages of life—newlyweds, college years, empty nests, and beyond. Learn practical ways to plan for your future and legacy. Dinner will feature homemade harvest soups. Register for the dinner on Realm or in the lobby.

Letters of Kindness

A Chagrin Falls teacher shared that some Ukrainian students are feeling despair about their future in the U.S., even though their families came here legally. To show support, we invite you to write letters or notes of kindness, assuring them they are valued and not alone. Please drop your letters at the Angel Desk in the bin marked “Letters of Kindness” by October 12.

Altar Flower Donors Needed

There is an opportunity to donate the altar flowers in October. We have Sunday October 19th available. This is a wonderful way to celebrate or memorialize a loved one, as well as brighten our sanctuary for the Sunday service. Please contact Sue Mansour at (440) 668-9399 or sueman@roadrunner.com if you are interested.



FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Please include in your prayers this week....

Silvia Kenneweg who was hospitalized last week, and is now back at the Fairmont Center at Breckenridge - 5665 Grace Woods Dr Unit 308, Willoughby, OH 44094

The ongoing search for our next Senior Pastor and the dedicated members of the Search Committee as they guide this important process.

This month, please pray for our mission partners- **ReSource Cleveland**

This week, please pray for staff members **Marty Culbertson** and **Judy Bagley-Bonner**.

Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers this week: Debbie Baker and Peggie Jo Shinagawa

USHERS/GREETERS

You were welcomed today by members of the **Spiritual Formation Commission and Friends**.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this morning are given by Lee and Karen Johns in honor of all those who serve on the many committees that keep our congregation connected and involved in serving the community.

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 **E, F, and G** 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 **H, I, J, and K** are invited to bring treats next week for Fellowship Hour. Thank you in advance for your participation.

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