

October 5, 2025

Welcome!

To Give:



Next Week:

Sunday, October 12th

Pastor Vicki McGaw preaches

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

Neighbors in Need Offering

Today we will be collecting for the Neighbors in Need Offering. If you want to give to this special offering, you can add Neighbors in Need to the memo line of your check, on your donation envelope or select Neighbors in Need in the drop-down menu on REALM. We also have a QR code on the cover of the Announcement Bulletin that will let you give to the church and this campaign.

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 Room G30 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.

Kerygma Bible Study

Sundays, Oct. 12–Nov. 23 | 8:30–9 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.

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Wondrous Wednesday: Stages of Life and the Law

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.

28 Days Women's Event– “The Masks We Wear”

Wednesday, October 22nd | 6 PM | Fellowship Hall

Join us on Tuesday, October 22nd at 6 PM for an evening of storytelling and conversation as we explore the roles and “masks” we wear—those that protect us and those that weigh us down. Dinner and childcare will be provided. Together we'll uncover our true selves and celebrate the wisdom that connects us. Sign up on Realm, in the Lobby, or at fedchurch.org/events.

The Enneagram: A Guide to Understanding Yourself & Others Join us Wednesday, October 29, from 7–9 pm in Fellowship Hall for an evening with Debbie Burditt, nationally recognized Enneagram teacher and consultant. Learn about the nine personality types, their strengths and challenges, and how this ancient tool can deepen self-awareness and compassion for others. Cost is \$10. Register at fedchurch.org/events.

Winter Wear Collection for NEOCH

October 1– November 1

Federated is collecting winter wear for all ages and sizes to support the Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless. Needed items include warm, water-resistant jackets and boots, gloves, hats, scarves, and new socks. Please donate only items that are new or in excellent condition—clean, mended if necessary, and free of pet hair. No pillows, blankets, or used underwear. Financial gifts are also welcome (checks payable to Federated Church with “NEOCH” in the memo).

Letters of Kindness

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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.

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Please include in your prayers this week....

Lilley Maine who is seriously ill in Cleveland Clinic - 180 N Fork Dr., Bentleyville, OH 44022

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– **Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless (NEOCH Cleveland)**

This week, please pray for staff members **Oliver Mason** and **Jake Magalski**.

Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers this week: Martine Scheuermann and Sue Mansour

USHERS/GREETERS

You were welcomed today by members of the **Congregational Care Commission and Friends**.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this morning are given by Beth, Bob, Sarabeth and Susannah Rutkowski in memory of Jon and Sue Blouin.

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

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