

March 22, 2026

# Welcome!

To Give:



Next Week:

Sunday, March 29, 2026

**Palm Sunday**

Pastor Vicki McGaw  
preaches

**10 am**

**Traditional Worship**

**In-Person and Online via  
YouTube**

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*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.*

**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 HAPPENING

## “Love Notes” - A New Way to Offer Care

Offering care for members of this community and others in the world is a great strength of Federated . . . and we are offering another, easy way to show our love to people.

Beginning today in Fellowship Hall, stop by the Love Notes Station each Sunday to sign a card or two for people who need a little dose of love.

This Sunday, our cards will be for folks in Minnesota who, with the new headlines moving on to other stories, fear their plight is being forgotten even though ICE agents still roam the streets of their cities. Sign a card or two letting them know we remember them.

Each week, check out who we're encircling with love. It may be a member recovering from surgery or an illness, someone having a birthday or a homebound member we want to let know we are thinking about.

Let's share our love far and wide by spending a few minutes sending a message each Sunday after worship. Make stopping by the Love Notes Station part of your weekly practice.

## SJAM Speaker Night – Birthing Beautiful Communities

**Monday, March 23 | 7:00 PM | Fellowship Hall**

In honor of Black women and their enduring legacy, Federated's Social Justice Advocacy Ministry (SJAM) invites you to a special presentation by Krista Lumpkins-Howard, Senior Director of Training & Community Impact at Birthing Beautiful Communities.

Krista will speak about the challenges facing pregnant Black women in Cleveland and the work being done to support healthier outcomes for Black and Brown mothers and infants.

Snacks will be provided. A **free-will offering** will support Birthing Beautiful Communities.

For questions, contact [sjamfedchurch@gmail.com](mailto:sjamfedchurch@gmail.com)

## Blood Drive at Federated Church

**Tuesday, March 24 | 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM | Fellowship Hall**

Give hope this spring by donating blood at our upcoming American Red Cross Blood Drive.

Join us at Federated Church's Fellowship Hall and help make a life-saving difference for patients in need.

Appointments are encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome if space allows. Thank you for helping support this vital community need.



# WHAT AT FEDERATED?

## Parents' Night Out

**Saturday, April 18 | 6:00–8:15 PM**

Parents, enjoy a night out while the kids enjoy a night of fun, friends, and fellowship at Federated! Children in **Kindergarten through 5th grade** are invited for an evening filled with pizza, games, movies, crafts, LEGO building, and quieter activities for those who prefer a calmer environment.

Register through Realm, space is limited! For more information, please email **Oliver Mason** at [omason@fedchurch.org](mailto:omason@fedchurch.org).

## Federated Church Co-Ed Softball Team

Attention all former or current softball players. It's time to oil up your glove and loosen up your arm to join the newly forming Federated Church CO-Ed softball team.

The team will participate in the Kenston Recreation sponsored Church Softball League which plays its games on Sunday afternoons in June and July at the River Road Park on Chagrin River Road. The league is open to ages 18 and above and each team must include men and women.

Sign up through Realm or by contacting Coach **Steve Behmlander** at [stephenbehmlander@yahoo.com](mailto:stephenbehmlander@yahoo.com).

## Holy Week at Federated Church

Our contemplative Lenten journey leads us into the powerful services of Holy Week. We invite you to join us as we reflect on Christ's sacrifice and celebrate the joy of resurrection together.

**Maundy Thursday | April 2**

Table Fellowship – 6:30 PM | Service – 8:00 PM

Gather in Fellowship Hall for reflection and conversation around the table before moving to the Sanctuary for a Tenebrae service with Holy Communion, recalling the events of Jesus' final days.

**Good Friday | April 3 | Noon**

The annual **Ecumenical Stations of the Cross Walk** begins at the Triangle, with readers from local churches sharing in this meaningful community tradition.

**Holy Saturday | April 4 | 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

Spend time in quiet reflection during our **Prayer Vigil**. Prayer stations and artwork will guide meditation throughout the building. Consider setting aside 30 minutes to pause and reflect during this sacred day. Sign up on Realm or in the lobby on Sunday.

**Easter Sunday | April 5 | 10:00 AM**

Celebrate the joy of the resurrection with uplifting worship, music, and the message of Easter hope.

## FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

*Please include in your prayers this week...*

Bill Kenneweg and the family of **Silvia Kenneweg**, who passed away March 14th: 5665 Grace Woods Dr, Unit 308, Willoughby, OH 44094-8910

**Susan Schreiner**, who is having carotid artery surgery on March 31st: 10006 Bell Rd Newbury, OH 44065-9112

**Marilee Beal** who fell and broke her thumb and wrist: 5000 Northridge Dr., Unit 214, Willoughby, OH 44094-4394

**Marie Powers**, was hospitalized and is now in rehab : 5000 Northridge Dr, Unit 114, Willoughby, OH 44094-4393

**Jake (Federated Properties Manager) and Emma Magalski**, who welcomed a son on May 19 : 76 Bell St., Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

This month, please pray for our mission partners— **St. Paul's Community Church**

This week, please pray for staff members and **Allison Hutchins** and **Thea Mozingo**

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

## ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this morning are given as a small expression of our huge gratitude for the gifts Vicki McGaw has given our congregation over these many months. Transitions are rarely easy, but Vicki, with her warmth, spirit of love and inclusion, and of course her use of props, has made this transition not just easy, but joyful. We will miss her sorely and wish her the best in her next chapter, the one without the commute from Lakewood to Chagrin Falls! Thank you, Vicki, with love from all of us at Federated.

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, & 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, & K** are invited to bring treats next week for Fellowship Hour. Thank you in advance for your participation.

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