

July 5, 2026

Welcome!

To Give:



Next Week:

Sunday, July 12, 2026

Rev. Michael A. Howard
preaches

10 am

Traditional Worship

In-Person and Online via
YouTube

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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 HAPPENING

Second Sunday Summer School

Our Sunday school year has come to a close, yet we will still be having one Sunday a month where we will have Sunday school activities. Those Sundays are: **July 12th, and August 9th.** For more information, contact omason@fedchurch.org.

Federated Summer Front Porch Series

Pull up a chair and join us on "The Porch" this summer! These casual gatherings will take place in the outdoor gathering space at the front of the church on Bell Street and are designed to bring neighbors, friends, church members, and the wider community together for conversation, connection, and fun.

S'mores & Stories Night

Wednesday, July 15 | 6:00–8:00 PM

Lemonade & Listening

Wednesday, August 5 | 6:00–8:00 PM

Whether you're a longtime member, a first-time visitor, or simply someone looking for community, all are welcome. Come as you are, stay as long as you'd like, and enjoy a Summer of Belonging at Federated. Learn more at fedchurch.org/events.

Wednesday Worship & Wiggles

Wednesdays | June & July | Fellowship Hall

Preschoolers and rising kindergarteners, along with a parent or caregiver, are invited for songs, stories, games, crafts, and movement as we explore God's Big Backyard together. Free, but registration is required. **Register at fedchurch.org/events.** Questions? Contact Jannine Mason at janninemason@gmail.com.

Vacation Bible School 2026—God's Big Backyard

July 13–17 | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM | Family Life Center

Federated Church invites kids K–5th Grade to join us for **God's Big Backyard VBS 2026** at the Family Life Center! Kids will enjoy a week of fun, faith, and discovery as we explore God's creation and learn how to care for the earth through stewardship and environmental themes. Learn more and register: fedchurch.org/vbs



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Bored? Summer Board Games with Oliver

Looking for something fun to do this summer? Join Oliver for an evening of board games, snacks, drinks, and fun on **Wednesday, July 29 from 6:00–8:00 PM**. Open to all children entering **5th grade and up**. Come make new friends, enjoy some friendly competition, and beat summer boredom! For more information, contact Oliver Mason at omason@fedchurch.org.

Altar Flower Donor Opportunities

There are two opportunities to donate the altar flowers own the month of July. We have July 12th and 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.

Healing Divisions with Family and Friends

Starting in July Dr. Bill Shaul and Pastor Susi Kawolics will offer free confidential coaching to individuals or small groups struggling with estrangement and divisiveness within their family or friend groups. The political and cultural polarization in the country is deepening and threatening the fabric of our most important relationships. There are specific skills we can learn, which can be tailored to our own unique circumstances. For those who might like to participate or are curious about the details, Bill or Susi will be available at a table in Fellowship Hall after church throughout the next few weeks. Alternatively, you may contact **Bill at (513) 280-2836** or bshaul@braverangels.org

VBS Donation Collection

Help us create God's Big Backyard! We're collecting clean, gently used items for VBS crafts and activities, including newspapers, magazines, calendars, milk jugs, juice cartons, greeting cards, board games, glass yogurt jars, fabric scraps, cardboard tubes, bottle caps, bird seed, and twine. Donations may be placed in the collection boxes outside Fellowship Hall through **July 8**. Thank you for helping us create a fun and environmentally friendly VBS experience!

Primetime Annual Picnic

Join us for our Annual Primetime Picnic on **Thursday, July 9th, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** at Holbrook Hollows (7250 Country Lane). Enjoy a fun-filled afternoon with great food, music, fellowship, and, of course, BINGO! Lunch will be provided for \$10 per person, payable at the door. Please sign up on Realm or contact the office to reserve your spot. See you there!

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Please include in your prayers this week...

Rita Owen who is in rehab, following a hospitalization– 200 Hamlet Dr., Apt. 303, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

Bruce Gigax as he will be undergoing hip surgery on July 7– 10378 N. Pond Lane, Twinsburg, OH 44087

Rita Nichols as she will be undergoing spine surgery on July 9– 158 Kensington Ct., Aurora, OH 44202

Colorado Kids & Friends as they depart for their Journey of Faith to Colorado

This week, please pray for staff members–
Beth Rutkowski and **Pat Haynish**

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



ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers are given in loving memory of Jean Leavenworth Zimmerman by her daughter, Kathie Zimmerman Biggin.

There is no Angel Flower Ministry this week due to the holiday.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR 11a-12p

Thank you to congregants with the last names beginning with **A and B** 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 **C and D** are Invited to bring treats next week for Fellowship Hour. Thank you in advance for your participation.

USHERS/GREETERS

You were welcomed today by members of the members and friends of the
Federated Music Ministries

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