November 1, 2026

Welcome!

To Give:

Next Week:
Sunday, November 8, 2026

Veterans Recognition
Rev. Michael 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

Souls to the Polls

SJAM has organized Souls to the Polls TODAY, November 1st. Drivers will leave from our church parking lot at 12:30 (note new time) to drive you to the Cuyahoga County and Geauga County Boards of Election. Please see the latest eblast for signup information.

Honoring Our Veterans

Next Sunday, November 8, we will take a special moment during worship to recognize and honor the veterans among us. We warmly invite all veterans to join us as we express our heartfelt gratitude for their service, sacrifice, and dedication. We look forward to honoring you as part of our Federated family.

Inquirers Class– November Sessions

Interested in joining Federated or learning more about our church community? Our Inquirers Class will meet **Wednesday, November 4 at 7:00 PM and Saturday, November 7 at 9:00 AM.** Participants should plan to attend both sessions. New members will be welcomed on Sunday, November 15. Sign up online or contact Brooke Strong at bstrong@fedchurch.org.

New Member Partners Needed

With our next Inquirers Class approaching, we're seeking current Federated members to serve as New Member Partners! Help welcome those exploring membership by offering friendship, encouragement, and a familiar face as they begin their journey at Federated. Let's put belonging into action! Interested in serving? Contact Dawn Herdman at dtrmherd@gmail.com.

Welcome Abigail Reed:
Our New Director of Youth and Family Ministries!

We are excited to welcome Abigail Reed as Federated's new Director of Youth and Family Ministries! Abigail brings a rich background in ministry, education, and service, including work with Global Ministries, the Peace Corps, and the United Church of Christ. She is also pursuing her Master of Divinity. Abigail begins her role on November 4 and will be introduced during worship on Sunday, November 8. Please join us in giving her a warm Federated welcome!

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NEOCH Winter Wear Collection

From **October 4–November3**, the Federated NEOCH Team is collecting new or clean, gently worn winter clothing for individuals and families in need. Items needed include water-resistant jackets, gloves, mittens and boots; warm hats and scarves; new socks and long underwear; and washable hoodies or sweatshirts. All sizes, infant through adult, are welcome! Please ensure items are freshly washed and free of pet hair. No household items, pillows or blankets. Monetary donations may be made by check to Federated Church with NEOCH or Homeless in the memo line. Thank you for your generosity!

Becoming a Sanctuary People:
A Safe Church Congregational Workshop
Wednesday, November 11 | 6:00–8:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

Join us for an important evening of conversation, listening, and shared learning as we explore how to make Federated a place where everyone experiences safety, belonging, dignity, and care. All commission, committee, and ministry leaders are especially encouraged to attend and invite others. Parents, families, caregivers, and all members of our church community are welcome. This is everyone's work, and every voice matters! Dinner will be provided.

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FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Please include in your prayers this week...

Beth Rutkowski as she recovers from shoulder surgery- 97 E Bel Meadow Ln, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

Thea Mozingo who has entered hospice care- 8005 Washington St Chagrin Falls, OH 44023

This week, please pray for staff members—

Marcia Snavely and Joshua Konow

This month, please pray for our mission partners—

Our food pantry partners

Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers this week:

Martine Scheuermann, Sue Mansour, and Lynne LaFalce

USHERS/GREETERS

You were welcomed today by members and friends of the Generosity Commission.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this morning are given to the greater glory of God and the eternal memory of Daniel Francis Sullivan III, and other loved ones, by the Sullivan Family.

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 **C and D** for providing treats today. We encourage you to join us in Fellowship Hall after worship.

Next Sunday— Congregation members with last names beginning with **E, F, and G** are Invited to bring treats next week for Fellowship Hour. Thank you in advance for your participation.

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