November 8, 2026

Welcome!

To Give:

Next Week:
Sunday, November 15, 2026

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

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 began her role on November 4 and will be introduced during worship TODAY. Please join us in giving her a warm Federated welcome!

Honoring Our Veterans

We will take a special moment today 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.

Becoming a Sanctuary People:
A Safe Church Congregational Workshop

Wednesday, November 11 | 6 PM Dinner| 6:30 PM Program | 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 and childcare will be provided. Sign up on Realm today!

SJAM Speaker Night: Showing Up for Immigrants in Ohio

Monday, November 16 | 7 PM | Fellowship Hall

Join SJAM for an informative evening with immigration attorney Brian Hoffman and AMIS board member Anne Hill as they discuss current immigration challenges in Ohio and ways we can support our immigrant neighbors. All are welcome!

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Advent Reflection Booklet: O Come, Blessing of Love

Prepare your heart for Advent with O Come, Blessing of Love, a special reflection booklet written by Rev. Susi Kawolics. Featuring daily prayers inspired by the Revised Common Lectionary, this booklet offers a meaningful way to reflect throughout the Advent season, beginning Monday, November 23. Pick up your copy at the Angel Desk in the Narthex or read the reflections online at fedchurch.org/adventreflections.

Wondrous Wednesday: Learn to Publish Your Own Book!

Wednesday, November 18 | Dinner at 6 PM | Presentation at 7 PM | Fellowship Hall

Ever dreamed of publishing your own book? Join authors Robin Harbage and Cody Sherill as they share how to bring your story to life! Enjoy dinner, learn about the publishing process, and hear about a fun Christmas book featuring dinosaurs. Register on Realm or at the sign-up poster near Fellowship Hall.

In Gathering of Food: Sharing Our Blessings

November 1–22 | Church Lobby

This Thanksgiving season, let's share our blessings by supporting our Food Pantry partners! Please donate nonperishable staples such as peanut butter, rice, pasta, tuna, canned vegetables, soup, and cereal. Financial gifts are also welcome through the Hunger Fund on Realm or by check to Federated Church. Together, we can help nourish our neighbors!

Advent by Candlelight: The Greatest Gift Is Near

Wednesday, December 2 | 7:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

Join the Congregational Care Committee for a beautiful evening of fellowship, reflection, and celebration as we welcome the Advent season together. Bring a sweet or savory dish to share with your Federated family as we gather in the warmth of candlelight and the joy of the season. Sign up on Realm today! All are welcome!

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FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Please include in your prayers this week...

Claudette Whitelaw following the death of **Jim Whitelaw** on November 5th- 285 Applebrook Dr, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

Chuck Mozingo and Family following the death of **Thea Mozingo** on November 3rd - 8005 Washington St Chagrin Falls, OH 44023

This week, please pray for staff members—

Beth Rutkowski and Jannine Mason

This month, please pray for our mission partners—

Our food pantry partners

Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers this week:

Lee Wiley, Sally Ramsey, and Jane Biggar

USHERS/GREETERS

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

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this morning are given in loving memory of Sue and Jack Putnam, parents of Wendy Pierce.

The flowers in front of the lectern are given in memory of Thea with love and light from her "Fed-ex" friends.

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.

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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