



**FEDERATED CHURCH**  
United Church of Christ  
An Open and Affirming Congregation



**January 15, 2012**



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# Federated Church Welcomes You

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## TO OUR GUESTS....

Please know you are welcomed in the Spirit of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who always meets people where they are, not where they should be.

We are grateful for your presence here this morning and hope to meet you later, to enjoy a cup of coffee or tea after worship in Fellowship Hall. CDs of this morning's service are available there for \$4.00 each. You can also listen online for free at [fedchurch.org](http://fedchurch.org) or subscribe to our iTunes podcasts.

If you are worshipping here today *for the first time*, please take a red bag from our Visitors Welcome Center in the Narthex or Lobby. It contains useful information about who we are.



## 2012 Pledge Update

The 2012 budget is being finalized. Currently, pledge totals do not support the missions, programs and staff of the Federated Church at 2011 levels.

To all who have pledged financial support to Federated for 2012, thank you for your generous response to God's unlimited grace. For those who have not yet pledged, but intend to, we urge you to communicate your pledge as soon as possible so we can balance the budget before the Annual Meeting on Feb. 19th. Please call or e-mail Melinda Smith in the office (440.247.6490) with your pledge, or call Joe Hudson, 216.513.7620, with budget questions.

*Board of Finance and Stewardship*

## CONFIRMATION CLASS

### !! TODAY !!

10-11:30 a.m. Family Life Center

## Ahead At The Fed

### Sunday, January 22

*Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton*

8:45 am WORSHIP & Church School  
The Ensemble

9:45 AM CONGREGATIONAL MEETING  
IN THE SANCTUARY

10:15 am WORSHIP & Church School  
Chancel Choir

11:45 am Alive360 FAMILY WORSHIP  
Alive360 Musicians

## January 22nd Lectionary Readings

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Psalm 62:5-12

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Mark 1:14-20

### Sunday, January 29

Christmas Eve Offering Presented

*Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton*

8:45 am WORSHIP & Church School  
The Ensemble

10:15 am WORSHIP & Church School  
Chancel Choir

11:45 am Alive360 FAMILY WORSHIP  
Alive360 Music Team & Bells

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## January 22 Congregational Meeting at 9:45 am—Please Attend

A Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, Jan. 22 at 9:45 am in the Sanctuary. A motion will be voted on to "set aside Articles VI and VII of the Constitution for a two-year period of discernment while we implement a new structure of Governance and Ministry." The two sections cover the current Central Council and Board structure and responsibilities. This action is necessary to put into place the new structure recommended by the Governance and Ministry Task Force at the February Annual Meeting.

Please take advantage of opportunities to become informed about the recommendations before the meeting. Printed materials are available in the church office and on our website – [www.fedchurch.org/governance](http://www.fedchurch.org/governance). Today there will be a presentation and Q&A session in the Lounge between the worship services.



## Tributaries Teacher of the Week –

### Polly Manke

#### Yoga in the Spirit of Gentleness

A gentle, meditative yoga practice infused with breath awareness and spirit that ends with guided deep relaxation.

Presenter: Polly Manke, CYT

Classes are ongoing; you may begin at any time.

Day/Time: Tuesday mornings-- 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.  
or Thursday mornings--9:00 – 10:30 a.m

Location: Family Life Center Youth Room

#### Wednesday Night Meditation Group – New!

If you've been curious about meditation but have yet to try it, OR just can't seem to get in the flow of a practice, OR you practice but enjoy the luxury of meditating in community . . . join us!

Presenter: Polly Manke, CYT with occasional guest facilitation by Krysti Lyn and Judy Majcen.

Day/Time: Wednesdays, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Bell St. Room 320

Tuition: Free will donation. Suggested \$5 - \$10

Questions: Contact Polly Manke at 440-543-5220 or [pjmanke5@yahoo.com](mailto:pjmanke5@yahoo.com)

No pre-registration necessary. Drop-in only.

See our flyer, the church website, and the Spire for information on our other classes.



## Interfaith Book Study

4 weeks: Jan 29 through Feb 19  
Sunday Mornings, 10:00 - 11:30 am  
in the Lounge

### The Faith Club: A Muslim, A Christian, A Jew-Search for Understanding

By Ranya Idliby, Suzanne Oliver, Priscilla Warner

With Muslims and Jews joining us for discussion

Books available on [www.halfpricebooks.com](http://www.halfpricebooks.com)

RSVP to the Reception Desk at 440.247.6490

## Interfaith Luncheon

Cleveland's unique diversity offers a rich opportunity to share our faith together.

Please join us in welcoming the Turkish American Society of Ohio - Cleveland to Federated with Dr. Zeki Saritoprak The Nursi Chair in Islamic Studies at John Carroll University presenting

**Common Themes of Islam, Christianity & Judaism**  
with information about the Qur'an

**Sunday, January 22, 12:30 - 2:00 pm**

A traditional Turkish lunch will be offered in Fellowship Hall followed by

Dr. Saritoprak's presentation & discussion

**The Turkish American Society will be providing the lunch. Our gift to them - \$5.00 per lunch R.S.V.P. at Reception Desk or by phone 440.247.6490 by Jan. 16**

## Alive360

During Epiphany, the liturgical season between Christmas and Lent, the church reflects on the journey of Jesus' ministry. We recognize that his model of love and inclusion is for us **and** for the whole world.

At the 11:45 Alive360 worship service, we will observe the season by focusing each week on a part of the world that relates to the ministry and life of Federated Church. Please join us!

### Jan. 15-Dance with the World!

International traveler, song leader and UCC commissioned minister, Phil Porter shares how his travels have transformed him.

### Jan. 22-Mission South Africa: Sparrow Village and Brick by Brick

Caroline Young and Mark Simone share how their faith has grown in their connective mission work for children.

### Jan. 25- Creative Community

7 pm Wednesday in Fellowship Hall  
In this mid-week celebration, Ruth Garwood and Amanda Powell will take us on a fun journey through song, story and movement. Come with an open mind and heart!

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## Reverse-Raffle Fundraiser

to benefit Clyde Transportation Fund  
(which is used to purchase/replace the Elderlife van)

**Saturday, February 4; 9-10:30am in Fellowship Hall**

How does a day and night of pampering and relaxation sound? Pack your overnight bag and join us for a delicious hot breakfast and watch the suspense build as names are pulled one by one until one lucky winner is left!!! If yours is the last name picked you will leave immediately to enjoy the rest of the day, night and breakfast at [Tara-A Country Inn](#) in nearby Clark, PA, (a \$450 value). Hurry! Only 100 tickets available. They are \$50 for a double-occupancy room and can be purchased after worship or from Lisa Braun at (440.247.6490, x160) or [lbrown@fedchurch.org](mailto:lbrown@fedchurch.org) before Sunday, Jan 29.

### Elderlife Luncheon

Thursday, January 26, 12:30 pm  
at the Family Life Center

Registration by Wed., Jan. 18 at 440.247.6490

Cost is \$8.00

Luncheon catered by "Kater to You" and features  
Meatloaf, Mac n' Cheese, Vegetables,  
Mixed Veggies Medley and Salad.

Entertainment will be provided by Show Stoppers, a newly formed group of men and women who sing and dance their way through Northeast Ohio.

Don't miss this fun-filled afternoon!

### **A Celebration of Christian Unity**

Honoring the Legacy of  
The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.  
Thursday, January 19  
7:00-8:30pm  
Chagrin Falls Park Community Center

The evening will include reflections presented by  
Reverend Dr. J Verles Brown and  
music & poetry presented by students from the  
CFPCC Young Scholars Program.

A free will offering will be taken to benefit  
"Strategies for Life" programs of the CFPCC.  
Light refreshments will be served.

Sponsored by the Chagrin Valley Council of Churches  
and the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center

## Interested in a New Federated Memorial Ministry?

There is some growing interest to establish a new ministry that would provide help to families who are suffering the loss of a loved one in ways both spiritual and practical. Areas of ministry may include visiting with the family from the time the Church is notified until they come home from the memorial service, serving as Federated's Host/ Hostess before, during and after a memorial service, and / or baking goods for receptions.

**If you have any interest in this ministry, come to this 30-minute gathering this morning at 9:30 am in the Lounge.** Questions? Contact Peggie Jo Shinagawa at [FedGPS@gmail.com](mailto:FedGPS@gmail.com).

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### **3 on 3 Basketball Tournament**

St. Paul's Community Church  
4427 Franklin Blvd, Cleveland, OH 44113  
Saturday, January 28 @ 9am-6pm

5-player max per team; 2-game minimum per team  
Trophies & Cash Prizes—23 & over only  
\$100 ENTRY FEE

*Proceeds go to the gym 'floor and lighting' improvements at St. Pauls.*

For more info, call Duane Drotar at 216.280.2100  
or [duanedrotar@yahoo.com](mailto:duanedrotar@yahoo.com)

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### **Scrumptious Hough Bakery Chocolate Valentine Pops**



*Place your orders now for these creamy sensations available in milk, dark and white chocolate. The cost is \$3 per pop.*

*All proceeds benefit St. Paul's Community Church and Ohio City Power. Friends of St. Paul's earn a small portion of the profits, as well as learn the importance of teamwork and accountability and we all have fun!*

*Betty Ryan and Frances Slate of Federated's Elderlife Ministry donate their precious time to make the pops. Their efforts are priceless!*

*Orders will be taken through Sunday, February 12 by contacting Lisa Braun, 440.247.6490 ext. 160 or [lbrown@fedchurch.org](mailto:lbrown@fedchurch.org). Look for Lisa in Fellowship Hall following worship service beginning Sunday, January 22.*

## WINE TASTING PARTY

*Sponsored by the Boomers  
for any wine lover ages 21 to 99  
January 21 @ 7:30pm  
at the home of Barry & Kathie Biggin  
10820 Stella Lane, Chagrin Falls  
(in Auburn Township)*

Todd Smith will be our wine steward as we spend an evening sampling great-tasting and affordable wines. Whether you are a wine novice or a wine geek, you will learn something new and have fun!

Cost: \$30/person. Checks should be made out to Todd Smith and mailed to 311 East Washington St, Chagrin Falls 44022. **Prepaid registration required by Jan. 16.** Reserve your spot by calling 440.247.6490 or emailing Melinda Smith at [smithm@fedchurch.org](mailto:smithm@fedchurch.org).

## New Book Studies

*Sponsored by the Adult Nurture & Fellowship Board*

**A Hidden Wholeness: The Journey Toward an Undivided Life** by Parker J. Palmer

**Facilitator: Mary Senechal**

**Thursday evenings: Jan. 12 -Feb. 16; 7-8:30 - Rm 350**

In this book the author speaks to our yearning to live undivided lives – lives that are congruent with our inner truth-in a world filled with the forces of fragmentation.

**The Heart of Christianity** by Marcus Borg

**Facilitator: Dan Kershner**

**Sunday mornings: Jan. 15 -Apr. 1; 10-11 Daily Bread Rm**

While millions of people have turned away from the traditional beliefs about God, Borg shows why the Christian life can remain a transforming relationship with God. The Christian life is essentially about opening one's heart to God and to others. The book study will be enhanced by the use of a 12-week study guide.

Plan to purchase the book on your own prior to first class. To register for these book studies, call 440.247.6490 or online at [www.fedchurch.org](http://www.fedchurch.org).

## Men's Breakfast January 21

**@ 8:00am Family Life Center**

**Speaker: Hector Marinaro**

Head Coach, Men's Soccer at John Carroll University

Former Professional Indoor Soccer Player

All-time leading scorer in Major Indoor Soccer League

Nine time MISL scoring champion

Named an All-Star 15 times

All men are welcome.

Bring a friend. **Cost is \$10**

Check out the new Koinonia bulletin board for groups in the planning stages and may be looking for people who might be interested. The bulletin board is in the stairwell between the first and second floors.



Contact anyone listed below to join a group:

Discussion Groups:

Linnea Rostek ([linros65@hotmail.com](mailto:linros65@hotmail.com))

Dinner/Wine/Events Out/Travel:

Ed & Marilyn Pierson

([m.e.pierson@roadrunner.com](mailto:m.e.pierson@roadrunner.com))

Hiking/Sports/Fitness:

Bob & Jan Varnon ([jcvarnon@yahoo.com](mailto:jcvarnon@yahoo.com))

Service:

Cindy Barclay ([cindybarc@usa.com](mailto:cindybarc@usa.com))

Vegan Cooking:

Mary Ann Leonard ([lifesabanquet@adelphia.net](mailto:lifesabanquet@adelphia.net))

Parents of Teenagers:

Sue Kluchar ([newsuekl@gmail.com](mailto:newsuekl@gmail.com))

Young Families:

Robin Polack ([rlp555@yahoo.com](mailto:rlp555@yahoo.com))

Hamlet Village:

Karen Perry ([karenperry65@sbcglobal.net](mailto:karenperry65@sbcglobal.net))

If you have your own idea for a group or would like help in finding a group for you, please fill out a **Koinonia Interest Form**. Hard copies of the form are available at the reception desk, or go to [www.fedchurch.org](http://www.fedchurch.org) to submit an online form. For complete details about how Koinonia Groups work, look for our full brochure also online. Questions? Contact Elizabeth Goodin at 440.498.7494 or [megoodin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:megoodin@sbcglobal.net)

Sponsored by the Board of Adult Nurture and Fellowship

## Did you donate Progressive stock?

*We have received shares of Progressive Corp Ohio stock, but we do not know who donated them. Please call Toni at 440.247.6490, ext 145 or email [tcirino@fedchurch.org](mailto:tcirino@fedchurch.org) if these shares were donated to Federated by you. Thank you!*

## Healing Gatherings at the Labyrinth

*~ Begin with a personal sharing about a healing journey ~*

Wednesdays; February 8th, March 7th & April 18th

7:00 - 8:30 pm **–Begin in the Bell Street Chapel!**

Join us for a meditative gathering around the Labyrinth;

Taize Singing, Reiki & prayers for healing,

Communion in the center of the Labyrinth

Anointing Oils Blessing

To RSVP call the Reception desk 440-247-6490

*Sponsored by the Friends of the Labyrinth*

## Children & Youth Ministries

All This Month...January!  
**K and 1st: Jesus and the Disciples**  
**2nd and 3rd: The Sermon on the Mount**  
**4th and 5th: The Beatitudes**  
 See you there! ~



### J(esus) O(riented) Y(outh) Jr. High Youth Group

**TODAY**  
 4:30-6:00 pm  
 Regular J.O.Y. meeting  
 at the Family Life Center  
 \$5 for pizza

### GROUP

Sr. High Youth Group  
**TODAY**  
 6:30-8:00 pm  
 Youth Room at the Family Life Center

As you shop, please remember these items for....

### Food for Friends A 2011/2012 Church School Mission Partner



#### January Shopping List:

Shampoo  
 Dishwashing Soap  
 Pancake Mix  
 Pancake Syrup  
 Canned Fruit

**YOU HELP!**  
 Look for the shopping cart by the Helping House!

### Labyrinth & Prayer in the Lounge

"Walking a Sacred Pathway"  
 Come early and walk our smallest  
 indoor Labyrinth set up in the  
 Lounge for everyone.  
 Sunday morning, January 22



Would you like to recognize  
 someone or something by  
 donating an altar arrangement?

There is an opportunity to donate a  
 floral arrangement for our altar for  
 Sunday, February 12. This is a wonderful way to honor or  
 memorialize a loved one. You are welcome to take the  
 arrangement home with you after the 10:15 service, or our  
 Angel Flower Ministry will be happy to rearrange the  
 flowers into smaller arrangements and deliver them to  
 fellow Federated members who may need a bit of cheer.  
 Please contact Sue Mansour at (440) 338-4740 or [sue-  
 man@roadrunner.com](mailto:sue-man@roadrunner.com) if you are interested.

### Special Screening of 'My So Called Enemy'

A feature-length documentary film by Lisa Gossels

**Tuesday, January 17 @ 7:30-9:00pm**  
 at Chagrin Falls Performing Arts Center

Tickets are \$10 for adults; no charge for teens.  
 Tickets can be obtained at the Reception Desk in  
 the Church (8:45-11:45am on Sundays  
 and 9-5, Monday-Friday).

Or you can pay at the door.  
 Attendees, especially teens, are encouraged  
 to also attend a pot-luck meal and discussion  
 with Lisa Gossels at 5:30 in Fellowship Hall  
 preceding the screening.  
 Bring a salad, side dish or dessert.

### Creative Community Wednesday, January 25

7:00-8:30pm in Fellowship Hall

- Would you like to reconnect with your creativity?
- Reconnect your body and spirit?
- Reconnect with other people?

What if it were easy to do these things?  
 Sometimes we try so hard to be renewed that  
 we add to our stress rather than relieve it.  
 Amanda Powell and Ruth Garwood will lead an  
 evening of singing, storytelling, and movement  
 for teens and adults. All that's required is your  
 presence and your willingness to try some new  
 things, laugh, get to know people better,  
 and get body and spirit  
 into the same place.

# Weekly Calendar

Activities in bold italics take place at the Family Life Center. Rentals, Scout and non-Church related community events are not listed.

## SUNDAY January 15

- 8:30 am Men of Chagrin Rehearsal
- 8:45 am Worship & Church School
- 9:30 am Memorial Ministry Meeting
- 9:45 am Employment Connections
- 10:00 am Alive 360 Rehearsal
- 10:00 am Book Study—The Heart of Christianity
- 10:00 am Governance and Leadership Presentation
- 10:00 am Confirmation Class**
- 10:15 am Worship & Church School
- 11:00 am Governance and Leadership Presentation
- 11:15 am Sangha Meditation Group
- 11:45 am Alive 360 Family Worship
- 4:30 pm JOY (Jr. High Youth Group)**
- 6:30 pm GROUP (Sr. High Youth Group)**
- 8:15 pm Open Hearth AA Meeting**

## MONDAY January 16

Martin Luther King Day—All public schools closed;  
Federated buildings closed, all activities cancelled

## TUESDAY January 17

- 8:00 am Spirit Walk & Roll**
- 9:00 am Yoga - In the Spirit of Gentleness**
- 9:30 am Pastoral Care
- 10:45 am Restorative Yoga Body**
- 1:00 pm Elderlife Bridge
- 4:00 pm Guitar Choir**
- 5:30 pm FORTE Rehearsal
- 5:30 pm "My So Called Enemy" Pre-screening Potluck
- 7:00 pm Board of Adult Nurture & Fellowship
- 7:00 pm Fireside Big Book Study**
- 7:30 pm Ensemble Rehearsal
- 7:30 pm Board of Finance & Stewardship

## WEDNESDAY January 18

- 7:30 am Centering Prayer Group**
- 8:00 am Spirit Walk & Roll**
- 8:45 am Restorative Yoga Body**
- 9:00 am Wednesday AM Prayer Group
- 12:00 pm Twelve to One AA Meeting
- 1:30 pm Bethel Bible Study
- 6:00 pm Same Boat Girl Friends
- 6:30 pm CoDa Meeting
- 7:00 pm Telling Our Story Ministry Meeting
- 7:00 pm Wednesday Night Meditation Group
- 7:30 pm Augustine Fellowship
- 7:30 pm Alanon Beginner's Meeting
- 7:30 pm Women's Open Basketball**
- 8:00 pm Alanon Regular Meeting

## THURSDAY January 19

- 8:00 am Spirit Walk & Roll**
- 9:00 am Sit and Stitch Community**
- 9:00 am Yoga - In the Spirit of Gentleness**
- 5:30 pm Renewing & Relaxing Yoga
- 7:00 pm Worship Task Force Meeting
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Olson Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Book Study—A Hidden Wholeness
- 7:00 pm Work Camp Meeting
- 7:00 pm Restorative Yoga Body**

## FRIDAY January 20

- 8:00 am Spirit Walk & Roll**
- 9:00 am Friday AM Bible Study**
- 12:00 pm Friday Noon Big Book AA Meeting
- 2:00 pm Elderlife Bowling
- 6:00 pm Green Committee Dinner & Movie
- 8:00 pm Chagrin Falls Friday AA meeting

## SATURDAY January 21

- 7:45 am Gathering of Men
- 8:00 am Men's Breakfast**
- 10:30 am Praise Yoga

## SUNDAY January 22

- 8:30 am Men of Chagrin Rehearsal
- 8:45 am Worship & Church School
- 9:00 am Labyrinth in the Lounge
- 9:45 am Employment Connections
- 9:45 am Congregational Meeting
- 10:00 am Alive 360 Rehearsal
- 10:00 am Book Study-The Heart of Christianity
- 10:15 am Worship & Church School
- 11:15 am Sangha Meditation Group
- 11:45 am Alive 360 Family Worship
- 12:30 pm Interfaith Luncheon
- 4:30 pm JOY (Jr. High Youth Group)**
- 6:30 pm GROUP (Sr. High Youth Group)**
- 8:15 pm Open Hearth AA Meeting**



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## FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

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

**Cindy Marschner and Sandy VerDuin** (former Federated members)  
who are on a mission trip to Sparrow Village in South Africa.

Each week, we ask your prayers for two of our staff members.  
This week please pray for **Derek Volk** and **Gordon Vojtech**.

## OUR STAFF

**IS HERE TO HELP YOU**

**Hamilton Coe Throckmorton**, Senior Pastor

**Mark Simone**, Associate Pastor,  
Children & Youth Ministries

\***Susi Kawolics**, Interim Associate Pastor

\***Trish Rouru**, Coordinator of Administration

**Toni Cirino**, Financial Manager

\***Wendy Pierce**, Director of Family Life Center  
& Marketing

\***Lisa Braun**, Elderlife Coordinator

\***Bev Krofta**, Dir. Children's Ministries, Infant-K

\***Carol Fishell**, Dir. Children's Ministries, Gr. 1-6

\***Marty Culbertson**, Dir., Jr High Youth Program

\***Marcia Snavely**, Organist

\***Bill Foley**, Dir., Chancel Choir & Men of Chagrin

\***Pat Haynish**, Children's Music Ministry  
Coordinator

**Amanda Powell**, Music Director, Ensemble,  
Alive360 Music Team & FORTE

\***Ruth Garwood**, Alive360 Coordinator

\***Pat Nichols**, Pastoral Care Assistant

**Melinda Smith**, Congregational Life Administrator

\***Brenda Driscoll**, Communications Specialist

**Larry Trace**, Properties Manager

\***Bryan Kinches**, **Larry McGurer**, \***Don Newrones**,

\***Mike Swigonski**, \***Derek Volk**, **Gordon Vojtech**,  
Custodians

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\***Bill Cale**, Groundskeeper

*\* Part time Staff*