

November 26, 2023

Welcome!



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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.

Next Week:

Sunday, December 3rd

Rev. Betsy Wooser preaches

10 am

Traditional Worship

In-Person and Online via
YouTube

WHAT'S HAPPENIN

Women's Fellowship Circle

Monday, November 27, 1 PM, Fellowship Hall

Helping hands will be meeting Monday, November 27th at 1:00 in Fellowship Hall! We have lots of pillows to stuff & great conversation to be had! All are welcome! For more information, contact Lynne Kessell, lynnekessell@gmail.com

Giving Tuesday is November 28th

The UCC empowers youth and young adults to serve as climate justice leaders. Your [Giving Tuesday](#) donation will strengthen a growing climate justice network that prioritizes their leadership. Please help us reach our \$75,000 goal. Your gift will be matched!

Advent Reflection Booklet

By Rev. Susi Kawolics

Advent is right around the corner. Are you looking for a resource to deepen your Advent journey? Rev. Susi Kawolics has created an Advent Reflection Booklet, with a prayer for every day during the season. The prayers are based on the lectionary, and they begin on the Monday before Advent on November 27th. Pick up your copy in the Narthex, at the Angel desk, or online at fedchurch.org/adventreflections. Email: reverendsusi@gmail.com with any questions. Blessings on your Advent journey!

It's North Pole Pajama Project Time!

Chagrin Falls Park Community Center is collecting pajamas, socks, hats and mittens for the children who live in the area - sizes 4 to 18. Items may be dropped off at the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center, 7060 Woodland Ave, on or before Monday, Dec. 11th. Call Sue Mansour at (440) 668-9399 with any questions.

SJAM Sponsors: Building Safer Communities for All

Saturday, December 2, 10 AM- 2 PM

Disciples Church, 3663 Mayfield Road, Cleveland Heights

All are welcome to join a conversation with multi-cultural, multi-generational panelists, including our own Barrick Stees. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided. Register at <http://bit.ly/BuildingSafer>.

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The 2023-2024 Performing Art Series Presents: Celebrating Marcia Snavelly: 30 Years at Federated

Saturday, December 2, 7 PM

Come celebrate the incredible career of organist extraordinaire Marcia Snavelly and her 30 years of unmatched service at Federated Church! This is a FREE event but registration is required. Visit fedchurch.org/pas to register and to get more information.

Advent By Candlelight

Monday, December 4, 6:30 PM, Fellowship Hall

Begin the Advent season in a peaceful evening of fellowship. The Congregational Care Commission sponsors the gathering in Fellowship Hall led by the Revs. Betsy Wooster, Judy Bagley-Bonner, and Susi Kawolics. Sign up on Realm, at the Angel desk, or call the church. Bring sweet or savory finger foods to share and bring a friend. Childcare will be available.

Support for the Victims of the Israel-Gaza Conflict

The Mission & Service Commission has researched organizations that provide immediate humanitarian aid to the war-torn area. We recommend donations to Doctors Without Borders, The International Rescue Committee, and World Central Kitchen. UCC.org also has important information about the history and context of the conflict.

Christmas Musical and Bethlehem Market

Sunday, December 10 at 10 AM– 1 PM

Join us for a spirited worship service and Children's Choir Christmas play followed by a whimsical market in Fellowship Hall with tents of activities for kids of all ages. For more information contact Miss Kristin, klefeber@fedchurch.org.

An Advent Evening Worship Service of Hope and Healing

Wednesday, December 13 at 5:30 PM in Chapel

Come to pray and stay for dinner! Join your church family for a soothing, short, contemplative worship service of Hope and Peace during this busy, and sometimes difficult, time of year. We'll gather for singing, prayers, candle lighting, and silent reflection as we remember those we've lost, and offer prayers for those who are struggling and for hope and peace in our world.

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Please include in your prayers this week...

Carol Rounds as she has started cancer treatment– 608 North Street, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

The Family and Friends of Janis Stefanchik who died November 17th– 10364 Pekin Rd Newbury, OH 44065

This month, please pray for **Chagrin Falls Park Community Center**

This week, please pray for staff members **Lianna Davis** and **Alex Bell**

Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers this week: Sally Ramsey, Sue Mansour, Louise Rutkowski, Lee Wiley.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers today are given in loving memory of Cinda Berri by Mary Ann and Arturo Viveros, Andrea and Larry Renner, Janet Berlincourt and Sammie.

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

FELLOWSHIP HOUR 11a-12p

Thank you to congregants with the last names beginning with **L and M** for providing treats today. We encourage you to join us in Fellowship Hall after worship for food and fellowship.

Next Sunday– Support our youth for their annual bake sale to raise money to buy toys for those in need.

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