

April 21, 2024

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, April 28th

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton
preaches

10 am
Traditional Worship
In-Person and Online via
YouTube

WHAT'S HAPPENIN

New Book Study!

Join Rev. Betsy for a four-week book study on "The Sacred Gaze: Contemplation and the Healing of the Self" by Susan R. Pitchford on Wednesdays at 1:00 from April 24th to May 15th. Register online or in person after worship in fellowship hall. "The Sacred Gaze" explores healing, spirituality, and contemplative prayer. Available on Amazon and used book websites. Contact Rev. Betsy Wooster at bwooster@fedchurch.org for more information.

SJAM General Meeting

TODAY, April 21st, Immediately Following Worship

Lower Level Meeting Room or via Zoom

The Social Justice Advocacy Ministry (SJAM) will be hosting its monthly meeting following Worship Service, TODAY at 11:30AM in the Lower Level Meeting Room, or via Zoom. All are welcome, regardless of any church or secular affiliations. For more information, please contact Kathy Franz, wfranz@roadrunner.com.

Mother's Day Pictures

Celebrate the mothers in our lives during our worship service on Sunday, May 12th. Please send a favorite image of your mom to Marty Culbertson at pics@fedchurch.org, noting "Mom Photo" in the subject line. Include your mom's name and send no later than **May 7th**. Let's honor and appreciate all the wonderful moms in our community!

SJAM Movie Night

April 22nd at 7 PM; Family Life Center

Join Federated Church Creation Care and Justice ministry team in focusing on soil and climate change as the theme for Earth Day Movie Night. The film is Common Ground. After the movie, we will have a discussion with a local business leader, Marc Wise, who focuses on NATIVE PLANTING for our yards and gardens. Register at fedchurch.org/events.



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Performing Arts Series: Apollo's Fire presents Bach's "Easter Oratorio"

Thursday, April 25th, 7:30 PM

A rare chance to hear J.S. Bach's dramatic Easter masterpiece! Jeannette Sorrell leads soloists, choir, three trumpets, and a festive orchestra. Alongside the Easter Oratorio, we present Bach's exuberant Easter Cantata, BWV 66. Tickets starting at \$25 can be purchased at fedchurch.org/pas.

Serving Communion Information Session

Church Council is sponsoring an information session to learn more about the solemn and sacred sacrament of communion which will be led by Senior Pastor, Rev. Hamilton Coe Throckmorton on **Sunday May 5 at 11:30-12:30 in the sanctuary**. After attending, you are encouraged to serve communion during worship and/or to our confined members of our Federated family in their homes at a mutually agreed upon time. Contact Peggie Jo Shinagawa at 216-401-2287 if you have any questions.

Tour of Broken Yoke Ranch and Organic Farm

April 27, 10 AM

Meet in the church parking lot at 10:00 am to carpool. If you want to drive yourself, meet us there at 11:00 (8181 Madison Rd, Thompson, OH 44086). This is a family friendly event for a hands-on tour of a local ranch/farm. Learn about how this ranch/farm cares for the earth while supporting those on the margins to learn work/job skills. Register at fedchurch.org/events to participate.

Worship with Nature

Common Ground: The Earth and our Faith

Sunday, April 28th, 4 PM

Metro Parks - South Chagrin Reservation

Meet at the Sulphur Springs Picnic Area. Plan on arriving at 4 pm. Worship starts at 4:30 pm and Fellowship time following Worship. See you soon! Visit fedchurch.org/events to register!

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Please include in your prayers this week...

Sibyl McBride, who is recovering from shoulder surgery- 30 Mill Hollow Dr Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

This month, please pray for our mission partners **MedWish International**.

This week, please pray for staff members **Kristin LeFeber** and **Marty Culbertson**.

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

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

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this morning are given in loving memory of Dix and Anne Dishong by the Groneman 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 **S and T** 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 **U, V, W, X, Y, and Z** are invited to bring treats. Thank you in advance for your participation!

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