



From the Desk of Rev. Hamilton...

Dear Friends,

As we enter this fall season, with Rally Day approaching on September 8, I am excited to embark on a new program year and its attendant promise. Federated Church is a congregation of such energy and hope and enthusiasm. New programs pop up. Fresh ideas are brewing. Over these last nearly two centuries, Federated has weathered storms, confronted challenges, and, again and again, found fresh vitality. The energy and resilience of this congregation have been unsurpassed. It's a remarkable and God-given gift.

At the same time, as I approach my retirement and my last Sunday on October 27, I am also extremely aware of the "lasts" in our partnership here. I will soon celebrate my last communion and baptisms with you. Several memorial services approach, with perhaps one or two to be added. Concluding Council and commission meetings await. I've already officiated at my final Christmas Eve and Easter services. And earlier this summer, two different families, who were soon to move away, set aside time for us to be able to say goodbye, a gesture for which I was and am extremely grateful.

My hope in our last two months together is that we do the good and necessary work of saying goodbye well. When people are dying, it is said that there are five major tasks in which to engage: saying I'm sorry for the things we've done wrong; offering forgiveness for the ways we've been hurt; expressing genuine thanks; telling people we love them; and saying goodbye.

And while my retirement is certainly not a death, it is the end of a long and, from my angle, joyful and grace-filled relationship. And when such relationships end, it seems crucial to express what needs to be said. The hope is that no hard feelings linger and that the joy of the relationship is given space in which to be expressed.

So rather than leave important matters unspoken, I invite you to speak with me, or to set up a breakfast or lunch together. I'd love to explore with you any lingering or new spiritual or theological questions you may have; to talk about the church; to reflect on God's presence in your life; to mend fences if need be; to grieve—never underestimate the value of a good cry!; or to celebrate. Or any combination of these!

I suspect it goes without saying, but I will say it anyway: these have been rich and vibrant years for me, and, in order to move on to the new horizons that await both you and me, I want to make sure we pause now to mark the moment.

Thanks be to God for the blessing of these years, and for the opportunity to say our healthy goodbyes. It's all an immense gift and privilege!

Yours in Christ,

Hamilton



From the Desk of Operations...

It's been a busy summer around 76 Bell Street! Along with the ongoing maintenance, we've taken the time to work on some exciting projects and have several more in the works. Here's a brief summary:

- Cleaned out the Media Closet for TNT storage
- Cleaned out Room 320 for Handbells and other music items
- Moved unused office furniture out of the old CE Office to the lower level
- Prepared G10 and G20 (lower level rooms) to be offered for office rental space and co-working rental space – Will launch this fall!
- Turned the old CE Office space into a new YOUTH ROOM! Opening soon!
- Installed new phone system and new security cameras
- Will begin renovation of the Lounge this fall
- Will repair old water damage in Room 320 and paint this fall
- Will install new HVAC unit for classroom/office/tower buildings this fall



Also, BIG thanks to volunteer Gary Dole who is reorganizing and consolidating all the choir and bell music. It's a big job!

We have so much to be grateful for! We believe that the people are the church, but the building is the place that hosts and houses us, keeps us warm and cool, and provides space to come together as the family of God. Loving care of this place shows our care for each other and our community.

Bless you and see you at church!

This fall will launch the search for a new Senior Pastor for Federated Church. The plan is to have a full-time, settled Senior Pastor in place following the one-year interim period which will begin upon Hamilton's retirement. There is currently a small interim committee, appointed by the Church Council, interviewing potential interim pastors and developing criteria for members of the Senior Pastor Search Committee. These members will be approved by a vote of the congregation, which takes place at a special called meeting. The process will follow this timeline:

September 3: Interim committee presents Senior Pastor Search Committee criteria to Church Council

September 1 – 30: Church Council accepts nominations for members of the Senior Pastor Search Committee from congregation and Church Council

October 1: Church Council approves a slate of names for the Senior Pastor Search Committee

October 6: Special Called Meeting of the Congregation to approve the slate of names for the Senior Pastor Search Committee

If you have questions about this process or nominations for the Senior Pastor Search Committee, please contact Jeff Miller at jeffrey.miller@parker.com or text or call 440-318-4982.

Federated News & Info

Worship Themes for September 2024:

"Ministry, the Church, and the God Who Makes It All Possible"

Sept. 8, Rally Day

Mark 7:24-37

"Be Opened"

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

Sept. 15

Psalm 19

"Sweeter Than Honey"

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

Sept. 22

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

"Draw Near to God, and God Will Draw Near to You"

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

Sept. 29

Children and Youth Sunday

Kristin LeFeber preaches

Worship Every Sunday 10:00 AM

In-Person at Federated Church

or Online on our YouTube Channel:

[TheFederatedChurch](#)

October Spire Deadline

Do you have something you'd like to see in the October Spire?

Please email your information to communications@fedchurch.org

by **Monday, September 23rd**

Include **"Spire"** in the subject line.

In Memoriam

Recognition of those who have passed recently.

A farewell to friends; May God welcome them with open arms.

Larry Trace– August 13, 2024

Dorn Cobbledick– August 23, 2024

PASTORAL OFFICE HOURS

Need to see a pastor? Our Pastors have Standing Office Hours. We are here for you!



Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton
Senior Pastor

Office Hours: Tuesdays 2-5PM

P: 440.247.6490 x100

E: hamthrock@fedchurch.org



Rev. Betsy Wooster

Pastor of Spiritual Formation

Office Hours: Mondays 1-4 PM

P: 440.247.6490 x101

E: bwooster@fedchurch.org

'Extravagant E-Welcome'

Please like, share, and subscribe to our



www.facebook.com/TheFederatedChurch



www.instagram.com/federatedchurch

Women's Ministries

Circle will meet in combination with Primetime to plan for the upcoming year. Join us for lunch on Monday, September 16, from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to make your reservation for the Primetime Kickoff Event, through Realm or call Lynne Kessell at 440-487-9104.

Sit & Stitch continues to meet every Thursday from 10 am to 12 pm in Room 304.

Helping Hands will gather on September 23 at 1 pm in the Lower Level Meeting Room.

We're always looking for **Bakers for Loaves & Fishes**. If you can make some homemade cookies, please contact Lynne Kessell.

For more information contact Lynne Kessell, lynnekessell@gmail.com.



Fellowship Treats

Federated members take turns bringing treats for Fellowship Hour each Sunday, as scheduled by the Congregational Care Commission. Of course, anyone is welcome to bring treats at any time!

Please bring ready-to-serve treats in disposable containers. Healthy food choices are especially welcome. *Please no nuts*. Thank you for helping to make our Fellowship time delicious and enjoyable!

September 1– last names beginning with S and T

September 8– last names beginning with U, V, W, X, Y, or Z

September 15– last names beginning with A or B

September 22– last names beginning with C or D



Wear Your Faith



As you **#LiveYourFaith**, you can now **#WearYourFaith**.

Federated merchandise is fun to wear and available!

To view the online store, click [HERE](#).



Rev. Betsy's Spiritual Formation Corner

SAVE THE DATE FOR FALL FED TALKS! FED TALKS JOINS WONDROUS WEDNESDAY DINNER ON OCTOBER 16TH

A story hour for all ages, FED TALKS is an intergenerational ministry where one or two people share a personal faith story with all who are gathered. Fed Talks is a meaningful way to learn more about each other and give thanks to God for the life of faith that we share.

***Watch for more news about the October 16th Wondrous Wednesday and FEDTALKS night in the October Spire!**

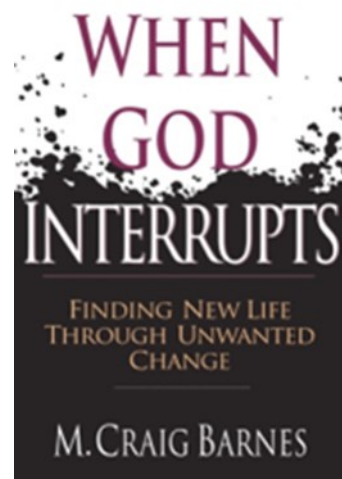
Please contact Rev. Betsy Wooster at bwooster@fedchurch.org with questions.

JOIN OUR ALL- CHURCH OCTOBER BOOK STUDY!

Supported by the Spiritual Formation Commission

This October we'll read and discuss the book
When God Interrupts, Finding New Life
Through Unwanted Change
by Rev. Dr. M. Craig Barnes

Rev. Dr. Barnes is a Presbyterian minister and professor who served as president of Princeton Theological Seminary.



Book Study Dates and Time(s)

October 8th – 29th, on Tuesdays @ 1:00PM with Rev. Wooster

We plan to offer additional groups on different days and times. Keep watch!

How to sign up?

1. You can sign-up for the book group(s) on Realm beginning September 16th.
2. Sign up at Federated's Ministry Fair after worship on September 22nd – look for the Spiritual Formation Commission Table!

Sign up after worship in Fellowship hall in later September.

Please contact Rev. Betsy Wooster at bwooster@fedchurch.org with questions.

REV. HAMILTON IS



Retiring

WE'RE CREATING A "MEMORY BOOK" FOR REV. HAMILTON!

Get ready to celebrate Rev. Hamilton's amazing nearly 20-year ministry and bid him a fond farewell into retirement! Brooke Strong is on a mission to gather up all those unforgettable moments for a memory book. From inspiring sermons to soulful support and heartwarming chats, share your stories and snapshots by emailing bstrong@fedchurch.org. Handwritten notes are also welcome! Let's fill this book with love and laughter to create a touching tribute.

SAVE THESE DATES!

OCTOBER 12TH- MUSICAL CELEBRATION CONCERT

OCTOBER 26TH- ALL CHURCH CELEBRATION AT
THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER

OCTOBER 27TH- HAMILTON'S LAST SUNDAY

Stay tuned to church website and publications for more details...

Interested In Livestream? We Need You!

We're looking for volunteers to join our Livestream Ministry team! No prior experience is needed—just a willingness to learn and help bring our services to those who can't attend in person. If you're interested in being part of this vital ministry, please reach out to Brooke at bstrong@fedchurch.org. Your help makes a difference!



Angel Desk Volunteers Needed

Are you interested in learning more about becoming an Angel Desk volunteer or Angel Desk substitute volunteer? Please contact Thea Mozingo at tmozingo@fedchurch.org to learn more.



Scam Emails ad Texts

Recently, there have been another round of scam emails and text messages from someone claiming to be Rev. Hamilton or another church member. Unfortunately, this type of fraud is common, and many area churches have been targeted.

If you receive an email or text asking you to purchase a gift card, provide credit card information, wire money, or anything that feels suspicious, please contact the church to verify its legitimacy at 440.247.6490 or fedchurch@fedchurch.org. You can also simply delete it.

Please know that we take all precautions to protect your information and do not provide your personal information to anyone, including other church members. Stay vigilant and safe!



Federated Ministry Fair

Join us on September 22nd for our Ministry Fair. This fun and informative event will take place in Fellowship Hall following the service. Come and learn about our church commissions & committees and their plans for the upcoming program year.



Save the Date!

Trinkets N Treasures 2025

May 7 – 10, 2025

Start saving your items now and help us have a great Rummage Sale next spring!

We Need Storage!

If you have, or know of anyone who has, a storage unit that could be used by TNT to collect large furniture pieces throughout the year, please contact Thea Mozingo at tmozingo@fedchurch.org or call

440-247-6490 ext. 115.



Membership & Nominating Commission

Upcoming Inquirers Class

Are you a visitor or frequent attendee? We invite you to deepen your connection with the Federated Family by becoming a member. Membership offers leadership opportunities, voting rights, and a chance to commit spiritually to our church and its mission. Inquirer's classes for those interested will be held on Nov. 6 and Nov. 13. If you decided to join you will do so on Sunday, November 17th during worship service. Contact Brooke, bstrong@fedchurch.org to sign up, and watch for more details in the Spire and bulletin.



Mission & Service

St. Paul's Trailer **Sunday, October 6th, 9:30-11:30 AM**

The St. Paul's Trailer will be open on the first Sunday of the month from 9:30-11:30 AM to receive your donations. Clean clothing, household items, and small appliances are acceptable. Please, no undergarments or TV's.

Contact Marty Culbertson if you have any questions. Mculbert@fedchurch.org

Christmas Eve Offering

An Invitation for Congregational Input!

The Mission and Service Commission is now actively seeking nominations for this year's Christmas Eve Offering. We are asking current Federated Church members to nominate your favorite 501.c3. Organization. We are taking nominations until September 22nd. Forms can be found at the Angel Desk, main office and the narthex. Completed applications can be placed in the Mission and Service Commission mailbox in the main office. Spread the word!

We want our donations to make a considerable impact on the recipients programming needs. So, we are especially hoping to help organizations that do not have existing large endowments or other large sources of financial support. The Mission and Service Commission will research these organizations and will then select and invite a spokesperson from a short list of the suggested organizations to present a short summary of their programs, goals, and needs at a Missions meeting (Date to be announced). The chosen recipient will be announced in the December Spire.

Thank you, we look forward to your participation.

The Mission and Service Commission

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Primetime Fun!

Primetime Kick Off Events

Monday, September 16th

11:30 AM - 2:30 PM

Fellowship Hall

**kick-off
event**

Join us in Fellowship Hall to kick off the 2024-2025 Primetime program year. Lunch will be provided. Bring your calendar and great ideas to help plan this year's activities. Feel free to bring a friend or two. We look forward to seeing you! To register visit fedchurch.org/events or call the church office at 440.247.6490.



Save The Date:

~September 8th: Rally Day

~September 16th: Primetime Kick Off Events

- October 24: Autumn Trip to the Barn

**Save
the
Date!**

RSVP via [REALM](https://fedchurch.org/events) or to Thea: tmozingo@fedchurch.org / 440.247.6490



Autumn Trip to The Barn in Smithville



Thursday, October 24, 2024 – 10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

What: Enjoy the beautiful Fall scenery as we wind our way to Smithville to The Barn, where we'll have a wonderful lunch. **The salad bar is exceptional!**



And make sure you bring your wallet! There will be shopping at the **Toyrifix** toy store and the **Oak Cupboard**, where they have edibles and accessories for the kitchen and dining. Find some great gifts for Christmas giving!



THE OAK CUPBOARD

A delicious selection of usual and unusual edibles awaits in this old-fashioned general store. Throughout the year The Oak Cupboard offers various "sampling weekends" where products are demonstrated and available for sampling. In the past we have featured chocolate making, bread machines, holiday baking, coffees and dips



TOYRIFX TOY STORE

This store is filled with toys for tots, teens & and beyond. Play areas are featured throughout and hands-on experimenting is encouraged! Toyrifix holds many special events during the year.



Time: The van will leave the FLC at 10:00 AM.

Reservations: Register by REALM or call 440-247-6490 and leave message for Brooke Strong **by Oct. 18**

Lunch: On Your Own



Social Justice Advocacy Ministry (SJAM)

A ministry for action as we live into our call for Care and Justice for all of God's people and creation

Social and Environmental Justice (SJAM) News

The mission of the Social Justice Advocacy Ministry is to be a voice and witness to God's love for all people and creation and to advocate for justice for those who are marginalized, discriminated against and denied their inherent rights as children of God and citizens of our nation and world.



Next SJAM Meeting: September 15, 2024 at 11:30 at Bell Street in the Lower Level Meeting Room Or join by Zoom using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83595558354?pwd=U1VxZU5SZ0NjcEVkbEcxXpsbVlWdz09>

Voting Rights Events:

Please be sure to join The Voting Rights Sub-Committee of Social Justice Advocacy Ministry (SJAM) at our upcoming voting rights events. Your vote matters and all are welcome!

The Voting Rights Sub-Committee of Social Justice Advocacy Ministry (SJAM) sponsors...

Fair Elections, Fair Districts, and Food at JCU

Thursday, September 19th
At John Carroll University

5:00 pm Food Trucks, 6:00 Program
Richard Margolius and Bob Chalfant*

Students are invited. For Information:
Chase Tuller, ctuller27@jcu.edu

Creation Tip of the Month:

Getting Plastic Out of Food

Our food travels a complex path to our dinner tables, which increases the risk of contamination from substances that shouldn't be there. Among these are plasticizers, chemicals used to make plastics more flexible and durable. The most common type of plasticizers, called phthalates, can be found inside the bodies of most Americans and have been linked to a growing list of health risks.

CR has been reporting on plasticizers in food for decades. Our most recent testing examined 85 packaged products, including fast foods and organic foods, and found phthalates in nearly every one. The product with the highest level per serving was Annie's cheese ravioli.

This is concerning partly because Annie's, which is owned by food giant General Mills, is an organic food brand that promotes itself to families seeking healthier food options. But four other General Mills products that we tested—Yoplait Original Low Fat Yogurt French Vanilla, Cheerios Original, Green Giant Cream Style Sweet Corn, and Progresso Vegetable Classics Vegetable Soup—also contained relatively high levels of phthalates. So CR wrote the company, urging it to determine where plasticizers are entering its production chains and to take steps to reduce exposure. In May we delivered some 30,000 consumer signatures demanding

this action to General Mills' Minneapolis headquarters.

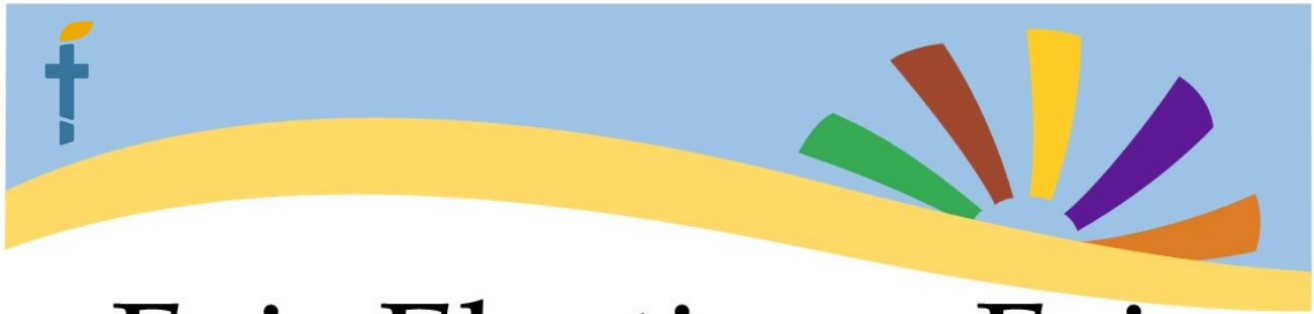
Now we're calling on the Food and Drug Administration to set limits on the amount of these risky chemicals in our food. Help by signing our petition at CR.org/fdaphthalates.



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99%

**of the food and
drinks CR tested
contained phthalates.**



Fair Elections, Fair Districts, & Food

The Social Justice Advocacy Ministry (SJAM) of
Federated Church invites the community to its
Wondrous Wednesday dinner and program

"Fair Elections, Fair Districts, & Food"

Featuring Richard Margolius and Bob Chalfant

Wednesday, September 18, 2024

**Federated Church Fellowship Hall
76 Bell Street, in Chagrin Falls**

Dinner served at 6:00 pm. RSVP is required to attend dinner
Program begins at 7:00
A free will offering will be taken

Dinner Reservations required
RSVP with names to
Wondrous.Wednesday@gmail.com

Women's Retreat



Have you ever heard the scripture verse “**Come to me**, all you who are **weary** and burdened, and I will give you rest” and thought: that sounds so nice, but how does that really work?

Join us for this year’s Federated Women’s Retreat and find out some tangible ways to answer that question. Individually and as small and large groups we will explore many spiritual practices aimed at bringing you rest – for your mind, body and spirit!

This year’s retreat also offers some flexibility for those of us who still find ourselves stretched thin and busy. It will be offered in three short sessions, all of which combine to create one longer full retreat with lunch, but could be enjoyed separately if that’s all the time you have.

Friday, September 27th, 7 – 9pm:

Welcome time, Visio divina, Yoga Nidra (no experience or ability required!)

Saturday, September 28th, 9 – 11:30am:

Music appreciation, writing letters from God, small groups

Saturday, September 28th, 12:30 – 3:00pm:

Writing letters to God, small groups, closing contemplative worship

Register by September 18th [HERE](#) or at fedchurch.org/events and take some time to REST!

Youth & Family



GROUP STARTS ON SEPTEMBER 22! WE WILL MEET AT THE CHURCH FROM 4:30-6:00!

We have lots of ideas for service projects and fun activities and look forward to hearing your awesome ideas too! Make plans to join Paul, Schuyler and Gary on September 22 to get this party started!

Ms. Kristin's



Birth - 8th grade

Welcome to Kids Korner, Ms. Kristin's new space for news and information regarding kiddos birth - 8th grade at Federated.

Below is a short list of some special dates of note through the rest of the calendar year. A full Sunday School calendar has been emailed to parents and is available upon request. I am excited to kick off our new year!

Also - the Sunday School website has been updated.

Check it out: www.fedchurch.org/sundayschool

CHILDCARE - Available every Sunday beginning at 9:30 am in Room 230

PLAYGROUP - Every Wednesday at 9:30 am in Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY SCHOOL RETURNS - September 8th

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP RETURNS - September 22nd at 4:30pm

YOUTH SUNDAY (kiddos in service) - September 29th

VBS DAY OFF - October 3rd (9:00 am - 1:00 pm)

REPLAY SERVICE EVENT - October 19th (10:00 am - noon)

CHRISTMAS MUSICAL & BETHLEHEM MARKET - December 15th

Youth & Family

Confirmation Class News! Orientation on Sept. 8 First Class on Sept. 15

- Orientation is on Sunday, September 8, immediately after worship in the church lounge. All class dates and needed information will be given to parents and students. After this brief meeting, we will enjoy the ministry fair!
- Please register for Confirmation on Realm before September 8.
- Please contact Rev. Betsy Wooster to arrange a meeting if you are unable to attend the orientation on September 8.
- Classes begin on September 15 and end on Confirmation Sunday, May 11. Class will meet on Sunday mornings from 9:45-11:15 AM twice per month.
- Confirmation classes will be led by Rev. Betsy Wooster, Zach LeFeber and Rev. Jill Harkins-Goodman.
- Confirmation class includes having our students sometimes take part in worship services as greeters, ushers, readers, and musicians.

September 8th Open House & Orientation Meeting
for parents and students after the Rally Day worship service.

Confirmation Classes Begin on September 15



DAY OFF VBS EXPERIENCE:

"GOD HAS A SPOT FOR YOU!"

K – 5th grades

Thursday, October 3rd

9:00 am – 1:00 pm

\$20/child: lunch and snacks provided

Federated Church, Chagrin Falls

Registration required via Realm or:

klefeber@fedchurch.org

Special Thanks to Our Summer Musicians

We experienced a marvelous summer filled with rich musical blessings in our worship services. Grateful thanks to our special musicians who offered their time and talents so generously. It is always a joy to work with such gifted individuals and groups.

And once again, in addition to solos, duets, trios, and quartets, the Federated Summer Choir (also known as the pick-up choir) performed early in August. So thank you, summer choir members and soloists.... Kiko Weinroth, Nancy Isham, Kate Breen, Susan Brooks, Lindsay Elmore, Carl Jenks, Amanda Osman-Balzell, Rosie Horvath, Ann Lentz, Elizabeth Spencer, Keith Mast, Ken Horner, RISE to Shine Band, Randy Fusco (piano) and Barry Stees (bassoon). We are so grateful for your dedication and talents!

Thank you,
Joshua Konow and Marcia Snavelly



Performing Arts Series '24-'25 Season

Save the Dates!

We are thrilled to resume the Performing Arts Series this fall!

Full concert details and a season announcement are coming soon, but in the meantime, save these dates for an exciting season!



Brian Wilson, pianist

Saturday, September 14th, 7pm; Free-will offering

In Tribute to Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton: The Arts and Faith

*Featuring the Federated Choir, chamber orchestra,
Federated musicians, and special guests!*

Saturday, October 12th, 7 pm; Free-will offering



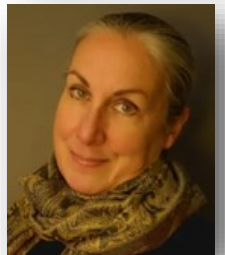
The King's Brass: Christmas Celebration

Sunday, December 22nd, 4 pm; Ticketed

Margi Griegling-Haigh, composer: CD Release Concert

In collaboration with the Cleveland Cello Society

Tuesday, February 25th, 2025, 7pm; Ticketed



Baldwin Wallace Men's Chorus and University School

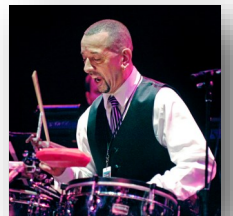
Glee Club: "Music Within"

Saturday, April 12th, 2025, 7:30 pm; Ticketed (assigned seats)

Sammy Deleon y su Orquesta

(Latin Jazz with a Latin-inspired dinner!)

Saturday, May 17th, 2025, 6 pm at the Family



Visit www.fedchurch.org/PAS for tickets and more information coming soon!

If you would like to sponsor a concert or become a season sponsor, please contact Thea

Mozingo at tmozingo@fedchurch.org or Joshua Konow at jkonow@fedchurch.org

Federated Performing
Arts Series Presents...

BRIAN WILSON PLAYS BEETHOVEN AND CHOPIN

Brian Wilson, pianist and
piano technician.

The 2024-2025 season begins with works by
Beethoven, Chopin, and Frank Martin. A special
highlight will be a discussion about what makes
our Mason & Hamlin concert grand so
remarkable! Reception to follow!

7 PM, FREE



Saturday

14 September, 2024



Federated Church

76 Bell Street, Chagrin Falls



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Community Partners



What's Happening at the Family Life Center (FLC)?



Join us **Saturday September 28, 3:00-6:00** at the FLC for a group screening followed by a conversation around the documentary "*God and Country*" in collaboration with Racial Equity Buddies and SJAM (Federated's Social Justice Advocacy Ministries). The movie examines the implications of Christian Nationalism and how it distorts not only the constitutional republic, but Christianity itself. Light dinner provided.

In August, The Community Life Collaborative hosted acclaimed author Kristin Ohlson who talked about her latest book [*Sweet in Tooth & Claw*](#), highlighting the surprising and beautiful connections that exist in nature. Poet Jenny Clark shared poems articulating nature's connectivity, Sara Continenza of [*Food Strong*](#) described urban community garden initiatives, and Marilyn Wise closed with a reading from Mary Oliver's poem, " ". More than 50 attendees enjoyed exchanging wisdom and opportunities to connect further. Similar programming to come!

What else is going on?

- Weekly soccer camps enliven the front yards of the FLC
- A donation of irises from the Rockefeller Greenhouse were donated by The Northern Ohio Perennial Society, along with a demonstration for proper installation in our gardens
- Weekly weeders & planters maintain the church's memorial gardens and grounds. To join the Garden Guardians, write Anne Burr at aburr51@gmail.com.
- The CLC Board of Directors continues to work with reps from Federated in framing a mutually beneficial relationship while outlining terms for a new Management Agreement.
- Community guests walk the labyrinth and gardens and visit family memorial stones in memory and prayer.



Community Partners

A poster for the 'Reviving Hope' summit. The left side features a photograph of a forest path with the text 'REGISTRATION IS OPEN' overlaid. The right side has a green background with white and black text. At the bottom, there are three logos: a tree logo for 'Environmental Care & Justice Network', a red arrow logo for 'East Ohio Conference', and a circular logo for 'Heartland Conference'.

REVIVING HOPE:

A CLIMATE ACTION SUMMIT FOR ALL GENERATIONS

INSPIRING • CONNECTING • EQUIPPING • SUPPORTING FAITH IN ACTION

Saturday, October 12, 2024

TEMPLED HILLS
CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER
5724 DURBIN RD
BELLVILLE, OHIO 44813



East Ohio Conference
The United Methodist Church



REGISTER HERE. <https://www.ultracamp.com/info/sessiondetail.aspx?idCamp=1355&campCode=HSK&idSession=474046>

From The Heartland Conference (UCC) Environmental Care & Justice Network

A poster for a movie screening. The top half has a green background with a yellow and blue geometric pattern and the text 'MOVIE SCREENING GOD & COUNTRY'. The middle section is a photograph of a church interior with a crucifix on the wall and people sitting in pews. The bottom half has a green background with white text providing the date, time, and location. At the very bottom, there is a blue banner with white text and logos for 'Racial Equity Buddies', 'SJAM', and 'Community Life Collaborative'.

MOVIE SCREENING

GOD & COUNTRY

Saturday, September 28th

Doors Open at 3:00 p.m.

Family Life Center,
16349 Chillicothe Rd,
Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44108

Racial Equity Buddies SJAM





**FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT
ST. PAUL'S COMMUNITY CHURCH AND OUTREACH**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST

doors open at 6 pm | \$35 per ticket

Heavy Appetizers by Italian Creations - Door Prizes - BYOB

St. Paul's Helps Our
Neighbors with
Vital Resources
such as food,
clothing, & housing

3 WAYS TO PURCHASE TICKETS
stpaulscommunityucc/giving
mail check to:

4427 FRANKLIN BLVD, CLEVELAND 44113

SCAN HERE



Forever in Our Hearts...

We honor and celebrate the incredible lifetime of service and dedication that Larry Trace gave to Federated Church. Larry was a true pillar of our community, deeply committed to the church and its mission. His passion for serving others and his unwavering support for our congregation have left a lasting legacy.

Larry's involvement in Federated Church spanned decades, during which he touched countless lives through his leadership, kindness, and generosity. Whether it was his active participation in church activities, his support of youth programs, or his dedication to ensuring the church's continued growth and vitality, Larry also served as the beloved soundman for Federated Church, ensuring that every service and event was heard clearly by all. His dedication to this role was just one of the many ways he served our community with quiet strength and reliability. Larry's contributions were immeasurable.

His steadfast commitment to the church and its members exemplified his deep faith and love for our community. Larry's legacy will live on in the hearts of all who knew him and in the continued strength of our church family.

We invite you to join us in celebrating Larry's life and his remarkable service to Federated Church at his Memorial Service on Saturday, September 7, at 2:00 p.m. at the Chagrin Falls Schools Performing Arts Center, located at 400 East Washington Street, Chagrin Falls. Following the service, friends are welcome to gather at the Federated Church Fellowship Hall.

As we remember Larry, we give thanks for his extraordinary contributions to our church and the profound impact he had on all of us.



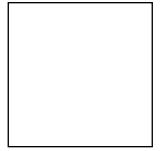


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