January 12, 2025

Welcome!

To Give:



Next Week: **Sunday, January 19th**

Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner preaches

10 am Traditional Worship In-Person and Online via YouTube



live your faith



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.

WHAT'S HAPPENIN

Altar Flower Donor Opportunity

There is an opportunity to donate the altar flowers for Sunday, February 16th. This is a wonderful way to celebrate or memorialize a loved one, as well as brighten our sanctuary for the Sunday service. Please contact Sue Mansour at (440) 668-9399 or sueman@roadrunner.com if you are interested.

January-February Book Study: The Book of Joy

Dive into *The Book of Joy* by Douglas Carlton Abrams, the Dalai Lama, and Desmond Tutu. Participate in one or both options: **Book Study:** Wednesdays, Jan. 15–Feb. 19 at 1 pm, led by Cathy Digel. **One-Night Discussion:** Feb. 26 at 7 pm, led by Marc Arnold (book or documentary). Sign up on Realm or in Fellowship Hall on Jan. 12th. Join us for this inspiring journey!

Changing Tables

Happy New Year, parents of little ones! If you are looking for a changing table for your wee one, they are now located in the cry room off of the Sanctuary, the Women's Restroom across from the Lounge and the Women's and Men's Rooms outside of Fellowship Hall.

SJAM Series on Reparations

Part 1: Local Efforts Towards Repair and Restoration

Monday, January 13th, 7-8:30 PM Federated Family Life Center

Join us for an insightful panel discussion featuring Quentin Smith from Forest Hill Presbyterian's Task Force on Racial Repair and Restoration, Michael Howard of Living Waters Association, UCC, speaking on "Building Community Resilience," and Anne Watson, founder of "Bridging the Gap," which supports youth in Chagrin Falls Park. The discussion will be moderated by Bill Shaul. Come learn about impactful local efforts working toward racial repair and restoration. All are welcome!



Events: fedchurch.org/events | Calendar: fedchurch.

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Wondrous Wednesday - Blue January

Wednesday, January 15th, 6-8 PM Fellowship Hall

Join us for Blue January on 1/15/25 from 6:00pm-8:00pm. The New Year can be a time of celebration, but it can also be a difficult time of year for us and those we love. We will be joined by a presenter from NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness)-Cleveland who will give an overview about mental illness and the stigma that surrounds it. We will share supper together before the presentation. Please <u>RSVP</u> on <u>REALM</u> or at The Angel Desk so we have the right amount of food.

Senior Pastor Search Committee Updates

The search for Federated Church's next senior pastor is underway! As part of this process, we're gathering input from you, the congregation, to help shape our Local Church Profile, a key document for potential candidates. We invite you to attend ONE of the January listening sessions to share your thoughts:

Listening session dates and times:

In-Person after Worship:

- Sunday January 12th
- Sunday January 19th
- Sunday January 26th

Virtual via Zoom:

- 7pm Tuesday January 14th
- 7pm Thursday January 23rd

Together, we'll reflect on Federated's strengths, the qualities we value in a senior pastor, and who God is calling us to become. Stay tuned to your weekly email and Sunday announcements for more details. We look forward to hearing from you!

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Please include in your prayers this week....

Darlene Nichols, Gabrielle Quintin, Michael Quintin, and Harriett Rogers - for a safe and meaningful pilgrimage to Arizona called "Common Ground on the Boarder" Jan. 13-19

Susan Schreiner- who is recovering from complicated hip surgery at her daughter's in South Bend, Indiana- Susan Schreiner C/O Maleah Schreiner Ladd 202 Chapin St, South Bend, IN 46601

Curt Woodworth– who is hospitalized with heart issues– 8215 Timber Trl, Chagrin Falls, OH 44023

This month, please pray for our mission partners– Re:Source Cleveland; The Christmas Eve Offering Recipients

This week, please pray for staff members **Joshua Konow** and **Kristin LeFeber**.

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

You were welcomed today by members of the **Federated Church Council and friends**.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this morning are donated by Cathy and Dave Watterson in memory of our dear friend, Helyne Walker, an open heart and ever smiling angel to so many through her work at the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center. She will be treasured in our memories, as well as those of many of our Federated family and other churches and community groups.

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 **A or B** 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 **C or D** are invited to bring treats. Thank you in advance for your participation!





