



THE FEDERATED FORECAST

The Federated Church

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A Covenanted Congregation of

The United Church of Christ & The Unitarian Universalist Association

"An Open and Affirming Church"

Welcoming Any and Loving All

June 2018



Just Kidding

Harambee Showcase Concert—Thursday, June 7

The Harambee Percussion Ensemble will present its 13th annual year—end Showcase Concert at 7:00 p.m. June 7, in the DeKalb High School Auditorium.

The program will feature music of Ghana and Zimbabwe performed on a variety of authentic African instruments. The ensemble, based out of our church and comprised of approximately 30 musicians in grades 4 through 12, will be joined by members of the Underground Kpanlogo Band, an African music ensemble made up of local women.

Admission is free, and all are welcome. Co-directors Sherry Jones and Sharon McKee would especially enjoy seeing any ensemble alumni in the audience.



God Speaks Through Our Worship



Sunday, June 3

Liturgist: Phil Wagener
Communion
Feed My Sheep

Sunday, June 10

Liturgist: TBD

Sunday, June 17

Liturgist: Skip Schamer
Father's Day

Sunday, June 24

Liturgist: TBD
Family Sunday
Penny March

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Worship Service

Worship	10:00 am
(Childcare Provided)	
Kids Club	10:15 am
Coffee Fellowship	11:00 am

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Flowers & Fellowship Hosts

*Please share your commemoration
of personal dates with your church family
by providing Altar Flowers
for the morning worship.*

*The cost is \$25.00 and envelopes are provided
for your convenience.*

*You are welcome to take the flowers home with you
following the service.*

***Please commit to these important roles by signing the
sheets in Dutton Fellowship Hall.***

Altar Flowers

June 3	OPEN
June 10	OPEN
June 17	Bruce & Joan Wallace in memory of Arla Powell Taynor
Father's Day	
June 24	OPEN

Fellowship Hosts Chancel Choir

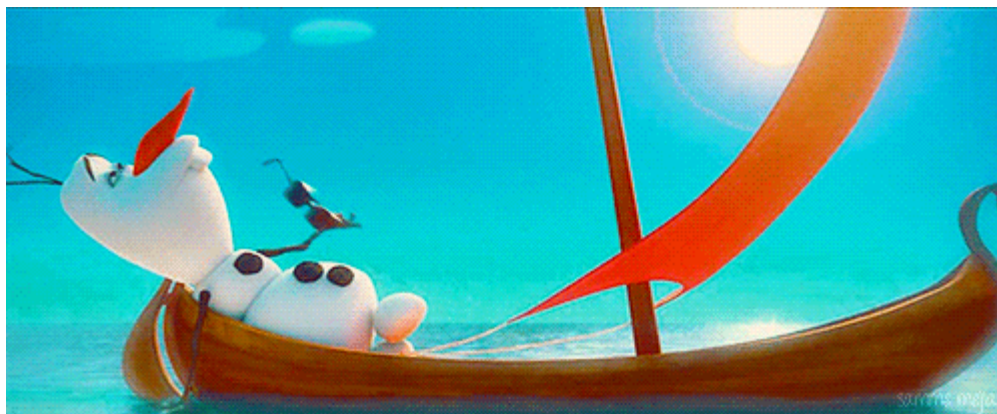
June 3	OPEN
June 10	Courtyard Celebration
June 17	Mission & Society Board
Father's Day	
June 24	Fe Gould



PRESCHOOL



We are so excited and proud to graduate 41 children from Federated Preschool to kindergarten. Graduation celebration was Thursday, May 24 and a fantastic evening was shared by family and friends! These children are ready for big school and will hit the ground running with the solid foundation they received between their family and teachers working together for their early childhood education. We were also excited to see our caterpillars go into their chrysalis and eventually develop into their butterfly bodies. After feeding them for a few days we let them out in the playground to be free and fly and flutter. We wish everyone a happy and joyful summer. We will back in school after Labor Day refreshed and ready to play, learn, and grow with a whole group of new and returning children and their families.



**CHURCH
MISSION
SOCIETY**



From the Board of Mission and Society

Feed My Sheep Sunday—June 3

Non-perishable food items are collected on the first Sunday of the month, but you are welcome to place them in the basket in Dutton Hall at any time!

June Love Offering: Safe Passage

The June Love Offering will be sent to Safe Passage Domestic Violence Shelter in DeKalb. This important organization serves the needs of a segment of our population that especially needs compassionate care, assistance and guidance. Considerable financial strains have been placed on this agency in recent years as public funding for its programming has been cut. Any assistance from private donations can go a long way to maintaining the important service this agency provides to individuals suffering from physical, mental and emotional violence at the hands of the ones they love. Federated has been a strong supporter of this agency for many years; let's continue that strong support in June.

Envelopes for the monthly Love Offerings can be found in a basket at the back of the church or in the attendance folders. Or you can put "Love Offering" on memo line of your check.



Mission and Society Board Sponsors a Baby Shower

The Federated Church Congregation and friends are invited to a Baby Shower during coffee hour on **Sunday, June 17**. Guests are invited to bring a gift(s) of a baby item*. These gifts will be donated to the Methodist Church food pantry. Refreshments and games will be part of the entertainment. Items may be dropped off before June 17 in the decorated box in Dutton Hall.

Suggestions for gifts include, but are not limited to: diapers of any size, baby food, baby Tylenol, baby wipes, baby soaps, baby lotions Destin diaper cream, Butt Paste, bibs, sippy cups, and baby laundry soaps.

This event is sponsored by Mission and Society and supports an important need in our local community.



A Celebration of the Courtyard

On June 10, Scout Troop #16 will be available to give our members and friends a tour of all the work that's been recently done in the garden this Spring. Please join us during coffee hour on June 10 and stroll around the "new and improved" courtyard! The Scouts will show you around, talk about what all has been accomplished and discuss what's next on their agenda for our beautiful courtyard!!! "



Book Sale 2018 Is Almost Here!

The Sue Lyon Memorial Book Memorial Sale will be **Thursday, June 21st 9-7, Friday, June 22nd 9-6, and Saturday, June 23rd 9-12**. Blackhawk has been accepting and storing book donations throughout the year. They will deliver books to the church Tuesday, June 19th. Troop 16 will unload the truck Tuesday evening. Much thanks to Blackhawk Moving and Storage.

We need help sorting, selling, and repacking. Our new set-up procedure was a success last year, no lifting, just sorting. Harambee Ensemble members and parents ran books to designated categories. They will help on Wednesday, June 20th, sorting day. They are our feet. Please consider joining us Wednesday, June 20th. Sale is Thursday thru Saturday, June 21-23. Saturday is critical, please come out in droves, we will need many helpers to cull, sort, and straighten in boxes. **Scouts will carry and pack for us.** It's a great time to hang out with Federated members. Let's continue the energy in Federated; it is such a blessing to see our community, teachers and children walk out with a bag of summer reading. Help get books out there! Sign-up sheet is on divider in Dutton Hall.

Book Sale Committee members are Sue McCue, Sharon McKee, Sherry Jones, Karen Hamingson, Sue Finney, Bruce and Joan Wallace, Nancy Renfer and Malorie Nelson.



Used Book Sale

THE FEDERATED CHURCH
TREASURER'S REPORT
April 30, 2018

This report covers only those funds available for paying operating expenses and does not include bequests, designated pass through funds, or unrealized gains from investments.

The operating income for April was \$25,246 and the month's operating expenses were \$13,252 This means that we had \$11,994 more income than expense.

The year to date operating statement income was \$79,861 and the operating expenses were \$65,936. This means we have \$13,925 more income than expense.

Notes:

During the month of February the church received \$25,500 in bequests from the Virginia and Arnie Larson Estate and the Don Blickem Family. The council voted to place these undesignated funds into the Roof Replacement Account.

Reminder: If you designate a portion of the Required Minimum Distribution from your IRA to be deposited directly to the church bank account, you do not have to pay income tax on that portion.

NUMERICAL SUMMARY
OPERATING CASH FLOW
April 30, 2018

	Y-T-D ACTUAL	Y-T-D BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
<u>INCOME</u>			
Total General Contributions	66,209	63,810	2,399
Trust & Interest Income	10,324	9,902	422
Total Other Income	3,329	1,175	2,154
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	79,861	74,887	4,974
<u>EXPENSE</u>			
Total Administrative Expense	50	3,000	-2,950
Total Bd of Trustees	34,474	30,305	4,169
Total Bd of Membership & Fellowship	11	0	11
Total Bd of Religious Education	6	455	-449
Total Bd of Deacons	30,374	30,236	138
Total Bd of Mission & Society	1,021	1,600	-579
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	65,936	65,596	340
OPERATING CASH FLOW (Income less Expenses)	13,925	9,291	4,634

Respectfully submitted,

David Wood, Assistant Treasurer



Prayers for Healing from Illness or Injury

Jack Bauer
 Bill Finney
 Friend of Paula von Ende
 Friend of Judy Hoke
 Judy Hoke
 LeVern Hoover
 Husband of Jean Evans' friend
 Husband of Roger and Kay Jacobson's grand-daughter
 Husband of Jerry Lane's daughter
 Jeff, father of Harambee Ensemble member
 Mary Jo Johnson
 Pam Kitterman's brother
 Margot Mattin
 John McCue
 Meg Ulery's mom
 Pam Wagener

Prayers for Peace at Time of Passing

Family of Michael Bennett
 Family of Ron Blickem
 Family of Juli Du Pont
 Family of Virginia Larsen
 Family of Ed Thompson
 Family of Georgiann Baird
 Family of Carol Stubbs

Additional Prayer Requests

Rachel and family, niece of Bev Whildin



Holy Communion will be June 3

Liturgist for June

June 3 Phil Wagener

June 10 OPEN

June 17 Skip Schramer

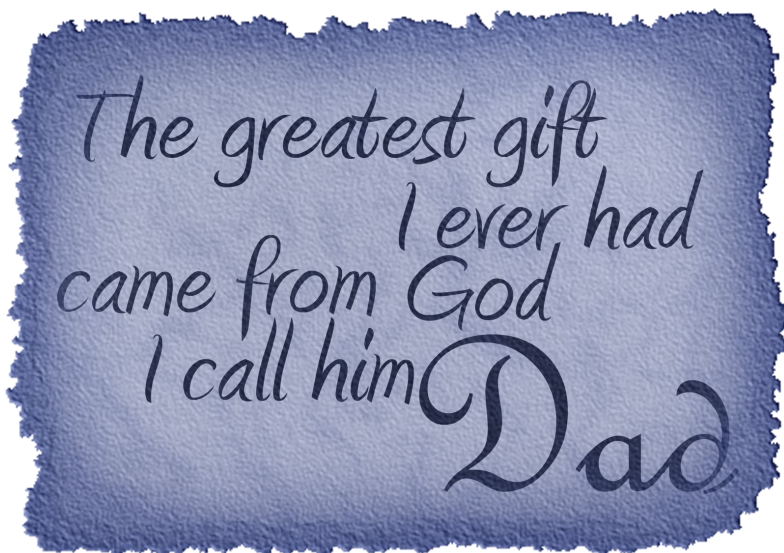
June 24 OPEN

Sign-up Sheets for July, August, September, October, November and December Liturgists are in Dutton Hall.

We are always accepting volunteers to participate in the worship service as liturgist. See any of the Deacons if you are interested.

Pork Chop Dinner Tentative Final Results

We had a successful Pork Chop Dinner on May 18th with over 500 tickets sold. Additionally 30 dinners were sponsored by members for shut-ins, residents at the DeKalb County nursing home and the Sycamore High Rise Apartments. Preliminary results indicate we made \$2,800 for a hard afternoon's work and the fun that comes with that work. Thanks to all who bought and sold tickets, who baked the wonderful desserts, and who worked the afternoon/evening of the dinner.



Happy
 Father's
 Day!



June Birthdays

06/09	Bradley Becker
06/10	April Lyon
06/11	Joshua Baie
06/14	Kenzo Harris
06/17	James Bork
06/18	Joe Baird
06/19	Marion Bennett
06/21	Kent Ulery
06/23	Randi Napientek
06/23	Erin Stump
06/25	Nancy Juday
06/27	Violet Baird
06/28	Fe Gould
06/29	Samantha Perkins
06/29	Emily Witherell



June Anniversaries

06/05	Richard & Doris Evers
06/06	Carl & Paula von Ende
06/07	Geoff & Sarah Gordon
06/10	Bill & Liz Finney
06/10	Dirk & Rachel Happ
06/11	Ken & Corki Williams
06/14	Glenn & Sharon Hollister
06/17	Phil & Pam Wagener
06/18	John & Carlene Bauer
06/19	Dave & Nancy Wood
06/21	Brad & Lisa Becker
06/22	Paul & Barb Salvatore
06/23	Roger & Kay Jacobson
06/26	David & Sue Finney
06/28	Mark & Kori Pietrowski



Stewardship Report

Week ending May 27, 2018	
Attendance:	35
Kids' Club:	3
Offering Y-T-D:	70,495.46
Covenant with God:	\$ 158,169.00



Ladies Night Out
Monday, June 25
6:00 pm
Pizza Villa



GUY'S NIGHT OUT
Monday, June 18
6:00 pm
TBD

**DEADLINE FOR
 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**

Monday, June 17

Your Federated Church Staff

Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. Kent Ulery
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Clerk:
Suzanne Juday 815-895-2082
Treasurer:
Karen Hamingson 815-895-4631
Assistant Treasurers:
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Linda Babcock 815-758-0763
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Dave Wood 815-756-1680
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Bill Griesenauer 773-720-8324
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Alice Whitney 815-895-5023
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Board of Religious Education:
Malorie Nelson 815-784-6060
Tomi Greisenauer 312-802-1486
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Nate Kitterman 815-751-1481
Skip Schramer 815-751-4817
Pastor-Parish Relations Committee
Jerry Lane
Roger Jacobson
Karen Hamingson



Upcoming Events:

June 17 Father's Day
June 17 Courtyard Celebration
June 21-23 Sue Lyon Memorial Book Sale



On Music Sunday—Sunday, May 13

Gary Mattin, Director of Music named all the musicians in Chancel Choir and the Handbell Choir the Federated Musicians of the Year for outstanding dedication and service.

The Federated Church

June 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 Communion Feed My Sheep 10:00am Worship 11:15am Fellowship 11:30am Bd. of Religious Ed. 6:00pm Troop #16 8:00pm AA	4 7:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry	5 1:30pm Transition Team Meeting	6 9:00am Sewing Circle 1:00pm Harambee Rehearsal	7 8:00pm AA	8	9 UCC Annual Conf
10 8:30am Membership Bd 10:00am Worship 11:15am Fellowship/Courty and Celebration 6:00pm Troop #16 8:00pm AA	11	12	13 9:00am Sewing Circle	14 7:00pm Church Council 8:00pm AA	15	16
17 Father's Day 10:00am Worship 11:15am Fellowship 11:30am Board of Deacons 11:30am Mission & Society Baby Shower 6:00pm Troop #16 8:00pm AA	18 6:00pm Guy's Night Out 7:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry	19 Book Sale Set-up	20 Bookk Sale Set-up	21 9:00am Sue Lyon Book Sale 5:30pm Bd. of Trustees 8:00pm AA	22 9:00am Sue Lyon Book Sale	23 9:00am Sue Lyon Book Sale
24 Family Sunday Penny March 10:00am Worship 11:15am Fellowship 6:00pm Troop #16 8:00pm AA	25 6:00pm Ladies Night Out	26	27	28 8:00pm AA	29	30