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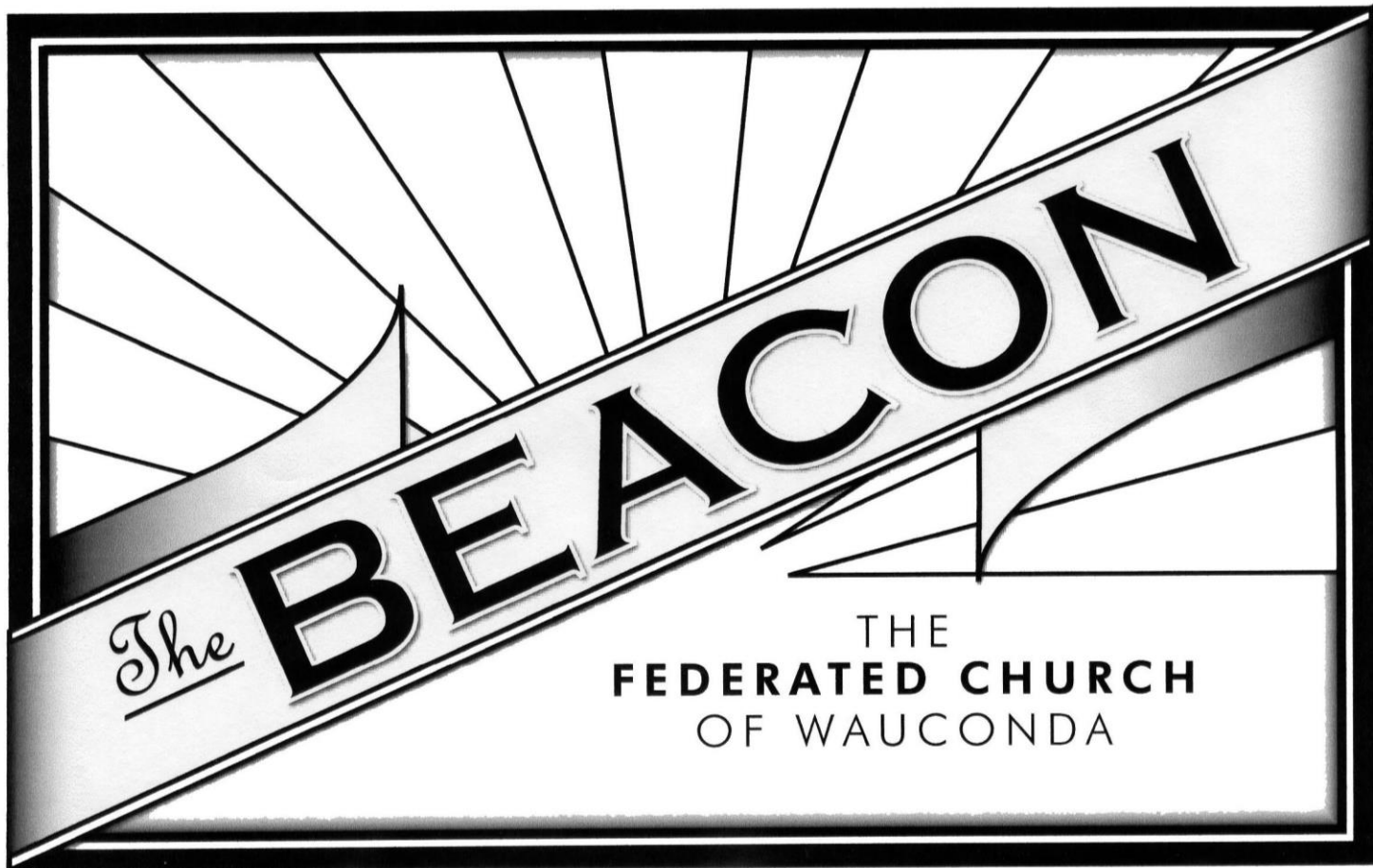
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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN –

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I was reading the 23rd Psalm and began to think about what the words really meant. It's all about our relationship with a God who is guiding us to grow closer to Him day by day. I hope you'll receive a blessing from this reflection today.

The Lord is my shepherd –
We have relationship with a God who watches over us.

I shall not want –
He supplies all our needs.

He makes me lie down in green pastures –
He gives us rest.

He leads me beside still waters –
He refreshes us.

He restores my soul –
He heals our very souls.

He leads me in paths of righteousness –
Our God teaches and guides us.

For his name's sake –
We are called according to His purpose.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death –
He will allow us to be tested.

I will fear no evil –
But He will protect us.

For you are with me –
He is faithful and ever-present.

Your rod and your staff, they comfort me –
He will correct us if we, like sheep, go astray.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies –
God brings peace.

You anoint my head with oil –
We are honored by God.

My cup overflows –
God's abundant blessings never end.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life –
No matter where we are, God's love will follow us.

And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever –
Our relationship with God will never end.

I pray a blessing on you today. May the God who richly supplies give you joy and hope, today and every day. I ask that he will guide our congregation like a shepherd guides his flock; with love, compassion, and care. When you feel discouraged, I pray he will show you just how precious you are to him.

Pastor Jason Hladik

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

August 21 - 64
August 28 - 83
September 04 - 58
September 11 - 81
September 18 - 68
September 25 -

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The church office hours are from 8:00am-12:00pm, Monday through Friday. If you need to drop off, or pick up something we are always open during those times.

PASTOR JASON'S CELL PHONE

Pastor Jason's cell phone (630-673-0492) goes straight to voice mail between the hours of 10:00pm and 7:00am. If you need to talk to him between these hours, please call twice and his phone will ring.

SHUT-IN VISITS FROM PASTOR

If you know of a member of our church or a family member that could use a visit from Pastor Jason, please let him know.

PRAYER PARTNER EMAILS

If you are not receiving the Joys and Concerns Prayer Partner Email and would like to - or if you have a concern during the week - you can call Louise or email her at lbcats32@gmail.com. Joys and Concerns from the Sunday worship service are emailed each week to all who sign up for them.

MEETINGS IN OCTOBER

October 12 - 7pm, Trustees
October 16 - 10:45am, Education
October 17 - 7pm, Federated Board

CONGRATULATIONS...??

To Crystal Denetta Calhoun and Linwood DePaul Johnson Sr. who were married on September 24 at the DuPage African

Methodist Episcopal Church in Lisle, Illinois.

The Rev. Mrs. Crystal Calhoun-Johnson is our Family and Youth Pastor.

BACKPACK SCHOOL-SUPPLY DRIVE

Outreach will continue the mission of providing school supplies to families in need throughout the school year. Please consider donating supplies, or better yet, making a small financial donation. Outreach can purchase items in bulk at a significant discounts. Checks can be made out to the



Federated Church and marked "Backpack/School Supplies".

See Pastor Crystal if you have questions or check the bulletin board for current needs. Thank you for supporting our community.

SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPERS NEEDED

The Education Committee still needs teachers and helpers for Sunday mornings. You do not have to commit to the whole season. If you are interested in teaching or just helping out occasionally, contact Nancy Swanson to sign up for the day(s) you would be available.

YOUTH

We have a fun and exciting year planned for the youth group and a new kids club! There will be fun activities, youth discussions, devotions and of course FOOD!!! We look forward to seeing all of you there starting in October!

BIBLE STUDY

Monday and Tuesday Bible Story Café bible studies are back and getting great reviews. Join in one or both! Next week's Bible Story Cafe will be on:

Monday 10Am New Testament Class
Tuesday 6PM Old Testament Class

BLESSING OF THE PETS – Oct. 9

Sunday October 9th at 11:00 AM the church will be having special Blessing of the Pets service. Bring your four legged friends to be prayed over and given treats as we thank God for their presence in our lives. Six, eight and no legged pets are welcome too.

PUMPKIN FEST – Oct. 15



Come join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. There will be activities, pumpkins to decorate, popcorn, apple cider, and yummy

food. All ages are invited. A donation will be collected to cover the cost and proceeds will go to the Wauconda Island Lake Food Pantry October 15 from 2:00-4:00



SUPER SENIORS – Oct. 23

Our next luncheon will be held at 1:00 on Sunday, Oct. 23, at Reflections in Lake Villa. The address is 38564 N. Edgewood, Lake Villa, IL 60046. You will find a sign-up sheet on the table in the Fellowship area.

Contact Lou Ann if you have questions.

Directions from the church:

Drive East on Liberty (Rt. 176)

2.1 mi: L onto N. Fairfield Rd

10.9 mi: R onto IL -132 Grand Ave

2.5 mi: L onto Deep Lake Rd (Cty V67)

.6 mi: L onto W 2nd Ave

.2 mi: L on N. Edgewood

Reflections is on Right.

FOCW - October 24

Our next regular meeting will be Monday, October 24. Pastor Crystal will lead the devotion and then we will discuss which crafts we would like to have for the Christmas Bazaar on Dec. 3 - hostess gifts, teacher gifts, etc. for under \$10. If you have any ideas, come to the meeting and share them, or talk to Candee.

The Fellowship of Christian Women (FOCW) usually meets the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00pm from August through May. All women of the church are invited.

Our Annual FOCW Luncheon was held at Beelow's in Lake Zurich on August 21. About 45 women attended the function where the food was delicious and a good time was had by all. The accommodations were generous, and the entertainment was fun. Each person received a free entry for the FOCW theme drawings and the winners selected their prize from an assortment of goodies. Lou Ann narrated a skit about "Anna's Hat" as several volunteers performed various roles. You can watch the video on our website. A big thank you to the people who orchestrated the event!

CARE CENTRE SING-ALONG: Oct 26

A Wauconda Care Centre Sing-along is held on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 3:00pm. Meet



at the Care Center, just off Rt. 176, at 2:45pm if you'd like to help pass out songbooks and greet the residents before the fun begins. Join us as we bring the worship of God in song to the people at the Wauconda Care Centre.

OKTOBERFEST - Oct 27

At 6pm on *October 27th* we will be celebrating the Federated church's version of Oktoberfest with an event which will include live entertainment, a

trivia contest, prizes, a 50/50 raffle and, of course, German food. The event



will be held at Deacon's Restaurant and Bar at the Golf Club (2100 US12, Wauconda) and it promises to be a fun evening for all.

The cost for the event will be \$20 and tickets can be purchased in advance. Invite your neighbors, invite your friends, get a trivia team together and get ready to have fun at our October event. Funds raised at this event will go toward Family and Youth Ministries.

SUNDAY SERVICE - Oct 30

Our youth ministry will be participating in worship service on *October 30*, 2016. Watch the bulletin for more details.

FOCW CRAFT NIGHT – Nov 4



Please join us at 6pm to help us put together our craft projects for the Christmas Bazaar. It's easy and lots of fun, just show up and follow the instructions.

THANKSGIVING DINNER - Nov 19

Mark your calendars now! Federated's Thanksgiving Dinner is right around the corner. Join us November 19 at 6pm for a wonderful time of fellowship, giving thanks and good food. Watch the bulletin for further details.



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR- Dec 3

Mark your calendars for our annual Christmas Bazaar on Dec. 3. Do you have jewelry or accessories you'd like to donate for our Glamorama Boutique? ...or perhaps some gently used giftware or unused Christmas decorations for Grandma's Attic. There are many other ways in which you can help: volunteer to work that day, bake for our Cookie Walk and Baked goods section, make crafts for us to sell. Contact Candee if you have questions or suggestions and watch the bulletin for further details. A sign-up sheet will be available soon.

GIFT OF GIVING - Dec 10

This event was such a big success last year that we have decided to do it again so save the date, Saturday, Dec. 10!

Volunteers will be needed from 11am into the evening. Registration will probably begin around Noon; shopping helpers will be needed; there will be activities to set up and oversee in the afternoon; and a dinner to prepare and serve in the evening; as well as clean-up.

If you'd like to learn more or volunteer, contact Dan Baron for details. Go to the homepage of our website and scroll through the pictures under Featured Events to watch the video from last year.



ANNUAL PICNIC

Though the turnout this year was small, our annual picnic was great. As usual, lots of good food, good desserts, and good fellowship as well as games and a bouncy house for the kids. If you missed it, you missed a good time. A big thank you to those who made it possible.

RUMMAGE SALE WRAP-UP

Thanks again to the Lucius family for their hard prep work, since April, and for the rest who helped the last couple months and the days of the sale. We will be bagging up the leftovers after church on Sunday Oct 9th and Tuesday Oct 11th at 9:30AM.

PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

The Pastor's Discretionary Fund is one of the ways we meet the needs of our congregation and our community. We have been able to provide assistance to members in emergency situations as well as provide gift cards for food, medicine and gas. If you or someone you know is ever in a time of

need, please talk with Pastor Jason. Donations to this fund can be made by writing a check to the church with the words Pastor's Discretionary Fund in the memo line. Donations can also be given in the form of gift cards from local grocery stores or gas stations. We thank you for helping us serve our community. - Pastor Jason

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

More and more people are going online to see what's happening! Remember that our church **Calendar**, as well as **News** details such as **Announcements** and current **Events**, are available on our website:



www.federatedchurchofwauconda.org

You'll also find blogs, pictures, videos, choir music and recent Worship Services.

?PLANNING AN EVENT?

First, check the church calendar to make sure your date is available. Then send Judy the details about your event so she can get the information to the right people for publication.

DIGITAL ENTERTAINMENT CARDS

The Fund Raising Committee is offering Digital Entertainment Cards for sale. Remember when youth groups and school

groups were selling the big, bulky Entertainment Books to raise money? We would look through the books to find a coupon we could use and then tear it out and promptly leave it at home. Fast forward to today, problem solved!!!! The entertainment is now an APP that you download to your phone. That way it goes with you everywhere and uses the phone locator function to "bring up" deals in your area. It is valid from the date it is downloaded and it is good all across the country which makes it an excellent purchase before travel or vacation. The card costs \$20 and the church keeps \$10 from each sale. See Mary Steffen or Toni Null to purchase cards.

COFFEE WITH PASTOR

Start your week off right with a time of fellowship with friends from the church. We meet every week on Monday at 8:00am at the Wauconda Café on Rt. 176. Join us for coffee, breakfast or just a good conversation.



Worship Schedule

Sundays - 9:30am

Sunday School (Sept.-May) - 9:45am

Fellowship - 10:30am

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☺ Become a greeter at Federated and make a difference! Anyone interested in sharing a smile, a hug, a handshake or just making someone feel welcome, contact Mary Taylor at 847-526-7151.

☺ Please remember to notify the church office if you have a change of address, phone number or a new email address.

☺ Recordings of our Sunday worship services are available on our website. Go to our website to view the latest worship service:

www.federatedchurchofwauconda.org

☺ Our Beacon newsletter is also on the website. If you no longer wish to receive a copy by mail, please drop us a note or call the church office at 847-526-8471 and we will remove your name from our mailing list.

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