

THE FEDERATED CHURCH

Wauconda, Illinois

A community church affiliated with the
United Methodist Church and the American Baptist Churches.

September 24, 2017 9:30am 16th Sunday after Pentecost

*Please stand as able where indicated.

CELEBRATING 179 YEARS TOGETHER

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Welcome

Choir Introit "This Is the Day" C.

Fuller

Announcements and Prayer Concerns

Opening Prayer

Prelude and Lighting of Candles

WORSHIP IN PRAISE

Words of Affirmation

**Call to Worship* (From Psalm 30)

Lord my God, I called to you for help, and you healed me.

You, Lord, brought me up from the realm of the dead;

You turned my wailing into dancing;

You removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,

That my heart may sing your praises and not be silent.

Lord my God, I will praise you forever.

Opening Story and Hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy" No. 64

Children's Message Pastor Jason

**The Lord's Prayer* No. 895

**Passing of the Peace*

Choir Anthem "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" J. Schrader

WORSHIP IN PRAYER

Prayers of the People Cathy Mate

**Prayer Story and Hymn* "Jesus Loves Me" (see insert)

WORSHIP IN THE WORD

<i>First Scripture Reading</i>	(OT, pg. 694)	Psalm 40:5-10
<i>Stories of the People</i>		
<i>Second Scripture Reading</i>	(NT, pg. 1337)	Acts 9:26-28
<i>Stories of the People</i>		

WORSHIP IN COMMITMENT

<i>Offering</i>		
* <i>Offering Response</i>	<i>“The Doxology”</i>	No. 95
* <i>Closing Hymn</i>	<i>“I Love to Tell the Story”</i>	No. 156
* <i>Benediction</i>		
* <i>Postlude</i>		



Psalm 40:5-10 Common English Bible (CEB)

⁵ You, Lord my God! You've done so many things—your wonderful deeds and your plans for us—no one can compare with you! If I were to proclaim and talk about all of them, they would be too numerous to count! ⁶ You don't relish sacrifices or offerings; you don't require entirely burned offerings or compensation offerings—but you have given me ears! ⁷ So I said, "Here I come! I'm inscribed in the written scroll. ⁸ I want to do your will, my God. Your Instruction is deep within me." ⁹ I've told the good news of your righteousness in the great assembly. I didn't hold anything back—as you well know, Lord! ¹⁰ I didn't keep your righteousness only to myself. I declared your faithfulness and your salvation. I didn't hide your loyal love and trustworthiness from the great assembly.

Acts 9:26-28 Common English Bible (CEB)

²⁶ When Saul arrived in Jerusalem, he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him. They didn't believe he was really a disciple. ²⁷ Then Barnabas brought Saul to the apostles and told them the story about how Saul saw the Lord on the way and that the Lord had spoken to Saul. He also told them about the confidence with which Saul had preached in the name of Jesus in Damascus. ²⁸ After this, Saul moved freely

among the disciples in Jerusalem and was speaking with confidence in the name of the Lord.

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Secretary..... Judy Pinkonsly
Ushers..... Dave Fehlman, Jutta Culbertson, Peggy & Tom Martin
Acolytes..... Angela Batson & Gabriella Stephens
Usher Chairperson..... Dave Fehlman
Worship Assistant..... Louise Bundy
Youth Coordinator..... Val Lucius
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OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Worship service – 9:30am; Sunday School (Sept. – May) – 9:45am;
Fellowship – 10:30am

PRAYER MEETINGS

Our prayer meetings are a time to gather with other believers to lift our needs and our praises to God. We meet on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Thursdays of each month at 7:00pm.

OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN

BIBLE STUDY SERIES

Join us for one of our Bible Study series called Bible Story Cafe. We have two Bible Study classes on Monday mornings at 10:00am and Tuesday evenings at 6:00pm.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The nursery ministry is one that touches families first and is one of our most vital ministries. Please consider giving of yourself once every 5-6 weeks for 90 minutes to our youngest by showing them God's love on Sunday morning. If serving in this way interests you please call the church office or see Pastor Crystal.

WAUCONDA CARE SERVICE – Sept. 27

The next Wauconda Care Sing-along will be on Sept 27. We meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 3:00pm. Meet at Wauconda Care, 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 Wauconda Care.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP

PANCAKE BREAKFAST – Today

Join us after worship today for pancakes and fellowship as we continue to celebrate how God is using our church to serve our community and world.

SUPER SENIORS LUNCHEON – Oct. 11

The next Super Seniors Luncheon will be at Pier 290 in Williams Bay, WI on Wed., Oct. 11 at 11:30am. Please sign up if you would like to join us.

OKTOBERFEST – Oct. 12

On October 12 at 6:00pm, we will gather at the Golf Farm to participate in the second *Federated Oktoberfest*. Once again, fun, food, trivia and a raffle will headline the event! This year we have special music planned keeping with the theme of Oktoberfest. Traditional German food will be served buffet style and there will be prizes for the trivia winners. Tickets can be purchased for \$25 from any of the Oktoberfest Committee: Chuck Burton, Toni Null, Sue Seaman, Peggy Martin, Lou Ann Kozderka and Mary Steffen.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS

Anyone who would like to have flowers on the Altar in memory or honor of a loved one, a friend, or a special occasion, contact Ann Petersen at 847-526-9005 or the church office at 847-526-8471. The cost of an arrangement is \$12.50.

DO YOU NEED A RIDE?

Sarah Brock (Cheryl Ficht's daughter) has graciously offered to help anyone in need of transportation (except on Tuesdays or Thursdays) for doctor's appointments and other local needs. If you are need of a ride, please call her at 224-433-0831.

MEETINGS IN OCTOBER

Worship – Oct. 4 at 7:00pm
Fellowship – Oct. 8 at 10:45am
Trustees – Oct. 11 at 7:00pm
Federated Board – Oct. 16 at 7:00pm
Education – Oct. 22 at 10:45am
FOCW – Oct. 23 at 7:00pm
Outreach – Oct. 25 at 7:00pm

BUDGET REQUEST FORMS FOR 2018 – Due Oct. 1

Just a reminder to all Committee and Commission Chairpersons that your Budget Request Forms are due next week. Please make sure to send them to Toni Null by October 1. You can email it to her or you can leave it in the church office.

CONTINUED PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Pete Ambrosio, Florence Burton, Jim Chen, Donna Gallmeyer-Dixon, Howard Ficht, Mickie Kisselburg, Marion Knoff, Lou Ann Kozderka, Hero Lucius, Scott Matthews, Laura Peroutka, Dolores Prusinski, Brenda Stackhouse, Arb Swanson, Mary Taylor, Ted Tremont, Dorothy Wheelock, Linda Wicker, Lisa Wineski, Brian Zinkel

CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR – SEPT. 24 - OCT. 1

TODAY: Sept. 24	10:45 am	Pancake Breakfast
	10:45 am	Education Meeting
		Pastor Crystal out of office through Sept. 30
MON: Sept. 25	8:00 am	Coffee with the Pastor
	9:00 am	Senior Exercise
	10:00 am	Bible Study
	7:00 pm	FOCW Meeting
	7:00 pm	AA Meeting
TUES: Sept. 26	6:00 pm	Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
WED: Sept. 27		Beacon gets mailed
	3:00 pm	Wauconda Care Service
	6:00 pm	T.O.P.S.
	6:00 pm	Brownies Meeting
	7:00 pm	Outreach Meeting
THURS: Sept. 28	8:00 pm	Alanon Meeting
FRI: Sept. 29		
SAT: Sept. 30		
SUN: Oct. 1		Communion at the Rail

LAY MINISTRIES: Next Sunday – October 1

Worship Assistant.....Pastor Crystal

Ushers..... Dave Fehlman, Ann Petersen, Tony Rake, Ruby Thacker
Acolytes..... Hero & Madison Lucius
Greeter for October..... Pat Whitson

Jesus Loves Me

One Sunday, I watched a church in Atlanta honoring one of its senior pastors who had been retired many years. He was 92 at that time and I wondered why the church even bothered to ask the old gentleman to preach at that age. After a warm welcome, introduction of this speaker, and as the applause quieted down, he rose from his high back chair and walked slowly, with great effort and a sliding gait to the podium. Without a note or written paper of any kind he placed both hands on the pulpit to steady himself and then quietly and slowly he began to speak...

"When I was asked to come here today and talk to you, your pastor asked me to tell you what was the greatest lesson ever learned in my 50-odd years of preaching. I thought about it for a few days and boiled it down to just one thing that made the most difference in my life and sustained me through all my trials... The one thing that I could always rely on when tears and heartbreak and pain and fear and sorrow paralyzed me... The only thing that would comfort was this verse...

**"Jesus loves me this I know. For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong, We are weak but He is strong...
Yes, Jesus loves me... The Bible tells me so."**

The old pastor stated, "I always noticed that it was the adults who chose the children's hymn 'Jesus Loves Me' (for the children of course) during a hymn sing, and it was the adults who sang the loudest because I could see they knew it the best."

(author unknown)

Jesus Loves Me - Senior Version

Jesus loves me this I know,
Though my hair is white as snow,
Though my sight is growing dim,
Still He bids me trust in Him.

(CHORUS) Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me.
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Though my steps are oh, so slow,
With my hand in His, I'll go
On through life, let come what may,
He'll be there to lead the way. (CHORUS)

When the nights are dark and long,
In my heart He puts a song,
Telling me in words so clear,
"Have no fear, for I am near." (CHORUS)

When my work on earth is done,
And life's victories have been won,
He will take me home above,
Then I'll understand His love (CHORUS)

I love Jesus, does He know?
When have I last told Him so?
Jesus loves to hear me say
That I love Him every day. (CHORUS)