

**We Welcome you to
THE FEDERATED CHURCH OF WAUCONDA**

August 26, 2018
14th Sunday after Pentecost

We are committed to God through Christ to enrich the world
through worship, mission, witness, and service.



God is the one who saved and called us with a holy calling. This wasn't based on what we have done, but it was based on his own purpose and grace that he gave us in Christ Jesus before time began.

From 2 Timothy 1

The Federated Church of Wauconda

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Serving in Worship this week:

Pastor..... Soon Sun Lee
Director of Music/Organist..... Geri Meyer
Worship Assistant..... Louise Bundy
Greeter..... Lisa Morrison
Nursery Attendant..... Nancy Lucius
Ushers..... Raj & Rose Bhatt, Tom & Peggy Martin
Usher Chairperson..... Dave Fehlman
Acolytes..... Gabriella Stephens

Welcome

Announcements (Please sign the attendance sheets)

Opening Prayer

Prelude and Lighting of Candles Mary Ann Beatty, soprano
“*Sometimes I Hear God’s Music*” by Williams/Martin

Words of Affirmation Psalm 125:1-2

**Call to Worship*

Leader: Brothers and sisters, we are gathered here to proclaim a vision;

People: A vision of a world formed by God and transformed by Jesus’ love.

Leader: We are disciples who are called to embody lives of grace,

People: sharing the good news of the gospel in our words and our actions.

Leader: May the Holy Spirit open our hearts and open our eyes

People: that we may live into God’s vision for our lives, our church, and our world.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

**Opening Hymns* No. 2088

“*Lord, I Lift Your Name on High*” (two times)

Children’s Message

**The Lord’s Prayer* No. 895

**Passing of the Peace*

Special Music Mary Ann Beatty, soprano

“*In His Love*” by M. Patterson

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

**Prayer Hymn* “*Be Thou My Vision*” No. 451

First Reading Proverbs 29:18 (KJV), Hebrews 11:1-2

Prayer of Preparation

**Second Reading* Mark 2:1-11

Sermon “Visioning for the Future” Pastor Soon Sun

Offering Mary Ann Beatty, soprano

“*None Like You*” by Williams/Courtney

**Offering Response*

“The Doxology”

No. 95

**Benediction*

Mary Ann Beatty, soprano

“An Irish Blessing” by Judy Maier

**Postlude*

Cathy Mate, our Minister of Prayer is available for prayers after service.

WORSHIP GUIDE FOR THE WEEK

This guide is prepared for you with the scriptures used in today’s service. We encourage you to read through them as the week progresses as part of your personal devotions.

WORDS OF AFFIRMATION

Psalm 125:1-2

The people who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion: never shaken, lasting forever. Mountains surround Jerusalem. That’s how the Lord surrounds his people from now until forever from now!

FIRST READING

Proverbs 29:18 (KJV)

Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.

Hebrews 11:1-2 (CEB)

Faith is the reality of what we hope for, the proof of what we don’t see. The elders in the past were approved because they showed faith.

SECOND READING

Mark 2:1-11 (CEB)

After a few days, Jesus went back to Capernaum, and people heard that he was at home. So many gathered that there was no longer space, not even near the door. Jesus was speaking the word to them. Some people arrived, and four of them were bringing to him a man who was paralyzed. They couldn’t carry him through the crowd, so they tore off part of the roof above where Jesus was. When they had made an opening, they lowered the mat on which the paralyzed man was lying. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “Child, your sins are forgiven!” Some legal experts were sitting there, muttering among themselves, “Why does he speak this way? He’s insulting God. Only the one God can forgive sins.” Jesus immediately recognized what they

were discussing, and he said to them, “Why do you fill your minds with these questions? Which is easier—to say to a paralyzed person, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up, take up your bed, and walk’? But so you will know that the Human One has authority on the earth to forgive sins”—he said to the man who was paralyzed, “Get up, take your mat, and go home.”

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

FALL BIBLE STUDY BEGINS IN SEPTEMBER

Pastor Soon Sun will be leading two Bible Study Classes.

Monday mornings from 10-11:30am on September 10, 17, 24 and then changing to Tuesday mornings at 10:00 on October 2, 9, 16, 23.

Tuesday evenings from 5:30-7:00pm starting September 4, 11, 18, 25, and October 2, 9, 16, 23.

The morning class will be reading the Book, “The Cup of Our Life” written by Catholic Nun: Joyce Rupp. It is a book and guide for spiritual growth- it is about your prayer life. Rupp helps individuals and groups pray about everyday life using the rich symbol of a cup. For the study, you need to bring your coffee mug or tea cup with you.

The evening class will be reading the book, “If You Want to Walk on Water, You’ve Got to Get Out of the Boat” written by Pastor John Ortberg. Ortberg teaches people how to trust God more fully. Using testimonial interviews to illustrate his talks, the author teaches participants the skills essential for “water-walking” in faith with God. Designed for use with the video. This book is about our faith to get out of our familiar place (church wall) into God’s wide-open mission fields. This study is good for church leaders. I hope you will join in one or both!

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

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.

CHOIR REHEARSAL BEGINS – Sept. 4

Our choir practice begins at 7:00pm on Tuesday, September 4. We welcome anyone who loves to sing. If you are interested in joining our choir, please see Geri Meyer.

CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED

The church offices will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 3.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS NEEDED

Please consider signing up to be the coffee fellowship host for a week or two. There is a sign-up sheet on the table by the window.

CONTINUED PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Fred Berchtold, Bernice Block, Florence Burton, Paul Deinlein, Pun Fehlman, Donna Gallmeyer-Dixon, Howard Ficht, Joyce Hill, Mickie Kisselburg, Scott Matthews, Laura Peroutka, Dolores Prusinski, Martha Stanger, Mike Striker, Ruby Thacker, Dorothy Wheelock, Lisa Wineski, Brian Zinkel

FOCW MEETING – Aug. 27

Please join us for our FOCW meeting on Aug. 27 at 7:00pm. All women of the church are welcome to come. Please bring an item to donate to the food pantry.

FREE WIRELESS INTERNET

Feel free to use our wireless internet: fcowguest

GREETERS NEEDED

We need people to volunteer to be a greeter before the worship service. Anyone interested in sharing a smile, a hug, a handshake or just making someone feel welcome, contact Mary Taylor or Dave Fehlman. Become a greeter at Federated and make a difference!

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.

OUT OF OFFICE

Pastor Soon Sun will be out of the office August 28-31. She will be back in the office on September 4.

PASTOR SOON SUN'S OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Soon Sun's office hours are Tuesday through Friday 9am - 2pm. She will be in the office at this time unless called away due to pastoral visits or ministry. Her pastoral visit hours will be Tuesday through Friday 3pm – 5pm (some evening hours). Even when she is not in the office she can be reached 24/7 by phone or text at 815-861-2415. You can also contact her at soonsunlee@live.com.

For the month of September only she will be off on Fridays and then starting October she will switch back to Mondays.

PRAYER PARTNER EMAILS

Joys and Concerns from each Sunday's service are emailed each week to those who have signed up. If you would like to receive them or if you have a concern during the week you can email Nancy Swanson at church60084joysandconcerns@yahoo.com.

RUMMAGE SALE

We will be sorting for the rummage sale every Tuesday from 9:00am-noon until the sale on Sept. 20, 21 and 22. If you have any questions or would like to help, please contact Candee Nustra.

The annex will be open every Sunday from 8:30 until 7:00pm. If you can't drop off your items during that time, please call Nancy Lucius at 847-848-5023 to make arrangement for another time.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

The Sunday School Ministry is looking to recruit Sunday School Teachers to assist with teaching and prayerfully allowing everyone on the team to be a part of Sunday's Worship Service. We are asking members to join the team and begin teaching classes January 2019-May 2019 (once each month). This will allow teachers who have taught for several years to experience Sunday worship service on a regular basis.

Our Sunday School Class has three age groups.

- Age 4 to 1st grade
- 2nd to 5th grade
- High School

If you are interested, please see Nancy Swanson or Pastor Crystal.

SUPER SENIORS LUNCHEON – Sept. 12

Our next Supers Seniors luncheon will be at 12:00pm on Wednesday, September 12 at Cracker Barrel in Gurnee. Please sign up if you would like to join us. Also, mark your calendars for October 24 - we will be going to Rose and Raj Bhatt's house for our October Super Seniors Luncheon.

YOUTH GROUP AND KIDS CLUB FAMILY MEET & GREET – Sept. 16

Please join us right after service downstairs in the youth room for a family meet and greet on September 16. We will eat and enjoy fellowship as we talk about our plans for the year! This year's theme comes from *Psalms 139:14 - I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.*

CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR – AUG. 26 – SEPT. 2		
TODAY: Aug. 26	10:45 am	Education Meeting
	10:50 am	180 th Anniversary Committee Meeting
MON: Aug. 27	9:00 am	Senior Exercise
	7:00 pm	FOCW Meeting
	7:00 am	AA Meeting
TUES: Aug. 28		
WED: Aug. 29		Beacon Gets Mailed
	6:00 pm	T.O.P.S.
THURS: Aug. 30	8:00 pm	Alanon Meeting
FRI: Aug. 31	6:30 pm	Pizza and Movie Night
SAT: Sept. 1		
SUN: Sept. 2		Communion at the Rail

LAY MINISTRIES: Next Sunday – Sept. 2

Worship Assistant..... Pastor Crystal
 Ushers.....Jutta Culbertson, Laurel DeBoer, Dave Fehlman, Ted Tremont
 Acolytes..... Hero Lucius, Madison Lucius
 Greeters for September..... John & Cathy Mate

FOCW - Memories Book "180"

The Memories book that FOCW started earlier this year has changed direction slightly in order to be part of our 180th year celebration. Whether you have been a part of our church all your life, or only a few years, we are looking for your memories. Just a short note - maybe half a page.

- Some fond memory that happened at VBS, a church picnic,
a mission trip, or just in your daily life.
- Did someone make you feel especially welcome?
- Was there someone who inspired you to be a better person?
- Do you remember someone who made you feel special, or comforted you when you were in need?
- What made you decide to keep coming to our church?

You can email your story to Sylvia Chen at **Azuresbc@gmail.com** or turn in a handwritten copy to Judy and she will send it. If you have a memory but are not sure how to write it, please contact Sylvia. She will be happy to sit down with you and help you put your memory on paper. We are asking to have all stories turned in by the end of September.



BACK TO SCHOOL EVENT
FOOD, FUN, FILM
MOVIE NIGHT

AUGUST 31, 2018
6:30PM FOR PIZZA, 7:15PM FOR MOVIE
FEDERATED CHURCH OF WAUCONDA
200 BARRINGTON ROAD, WAUCONDA, IL 60084

Join us for an evening of fun, fellowship, food and film as we kick off the Labor Day weekend with pizza and a movie. We will be announcing the family friendly movie after a congregation vote, so look for another email announcing the movie of the night. You can vote for your choice by using the enclosed ballot and placing in the ballot basket found in the Narthex. The evening is at no cost to you and is sponsored by the Trustees. Hope to see you there.

For more information contact: Trustees @
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