

# Acknowledgements

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Thanks for coming to celebrate with us  
our **180<sup>th</sup>** Church Birthday!

# **180<sup>TH</sup>** CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

## Worship Service of

## The Federated Church

Wauconda, Illinois  
November 4, 2018

**1838-2018**

*Celebrating 180 years of Grace*



*“Remember, Celebrate, Revision”*

Rev. Soon Sun Lee – Senior Pastor  
Rev. Crystal Johnson – Family Pastor

**Gerri Meyer – Director of Music**  
**Cathy Mate – Prayer Minister**  
**Rev. Fred Berchtold – Accessibility Minister**

Welcome to the Federated Church of Wauconda

**November 4, 2018 at 9:30 am**

**PRELUDE** (*You are standing on the holy ground. Let us prepare our hearts for Worship.*)

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN, No. 89** “*Joyful, Joyful, We are Adore Thee*”

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Together*)

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord!

**People: Praise the Lord! Give thanks to him!**

L: God has blessed us and brought us to this time.

**P: God has blessed us and brought us to this place.**

L: God has caused his name to dwell in our midst.

**P: God has stirred our hearts and made us glad.**

L: For 180 years, God has nurtured and fed us.

**P: For 180 years, God has shown us his grace.**

L: For 180 years, God has given himself in Word and Sacrament.

**P: For 180 years, God has empowered us with his Holy Spirit.**

L: For 180 years, God has made us his witnesses in the world.

**P: For 180 years, God has placed us in loving fellowship with one another.**

L: Praise the Lord for 180 years! Praise 100 years more.

**All: Praise the name of the Lord! Amen.**

**\* OPENING HYMN, No. 140** “*Great is Thy Faithfulness*”

**\* OPENING PRAYER** (*Together*)

**Almighty God, who guided the Federated Church through these 180 years, we give you thanks and praise for the many blessings you have bestowed on our congregation. We are a remembering people, and it is good that we remember that God has chosen us, baptized us, and brought us together as the Church of Christ in this place. We are a remembering people, but we are also a people of this day, brought together**

by God to be a holy fellowship of believers: the Body of Christ, sharing, caring, working in the world, and living in the hope of the world to come. Therefore, with thanksgiving for the past and hope for the future, we are here to worship and praise you this morning through Jesus Christ. Amen.

### ***Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane***

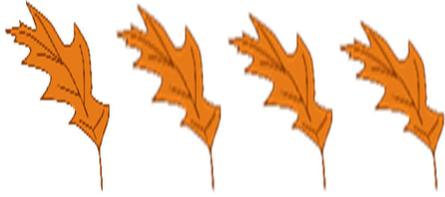
This mural picture in the sanctuary was painted and presented to the Federated Church on Palm Sunday, 1936 by Mr. Oliver Croydon, a talented artist, and generous citizen of Wauconda.

Herein, we see how Christ fought down the last remnants of temptation, rising above the scorching pressure of sin in the world, conquering the bitterness of death and saying “*Father, save me from this hour; but for this cause came I unto this hour, Father, glorify Thyself.*”



### ***The Window***

A Junior Christians Endeavor society was organized April 25, 1926. The first collections and donations were used in purchasing books. When the church was being remodeled, the society met in May, 1929, at which time it was decided to give a window, and by faithful work, it was financed and placed above the main entrance of the church. Youth yearns for something to do. It is one mission of the church to see youths' ambition worthily gratified.



## Sketch of Formation of the Federated Church

From the Baptist records **on December 19, 1914**, the first discussion on federating the Baptist membership with the Methodist membership was had. **January 13, 1915** there were three members of the Baptist church elected to confer with a like number from the Methodist church, to work out a plan of federating the two groups for the purpose of local work and worship. The properties of each group were to be administered as before. Each group was to keep its denominational connections.

**They were to have one pastor located upon the field. The first pastor was a Methodist minister, the next to be a Baptist.** This plan worked well. The Methodist church was used for all meetings and the Sunday School, and the Baptist church was used as a community center.

**When the State road, Route 176, was built through Wauconda, it took the ground upon which the Methodist church stood. It was then necessary to combine the two churches in one Federated property.** This called for action by the district superintendent of the Methodist church and the Baptist Council of Chicago. After much investigation and the rebuilding of the agreement of federation, the work was finally accomplished and records of the properties filled with the Recorder of Lake County.

Thus out of a common purpose to bring God's Word to a community, composed largely of a strain of the Pilgrims, we come in these latter days to oneness in purpose for the issues of life.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

*by Pastor Crystal Johnson*

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**SHARING THE PEACE**

**ANTHEM**

*"Find Us Faithful"*

*Keith Christopher*

**REMEMBERING OF OUR SAINTS**

*(please see insert)*

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *"Within These Walls" Mary Ann Beatty, soprano*

**SHARING FORMER PASTORS' LETTERS, ABC Representative**

**CELEBRATION REMARK FROM** *Our Mayor, Mr. Lincoln Knight*

**BRIEF REMARKS OF OUR CHURCH** *by Media Team*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

*Psalms 10*

**SERMON**

*"It's a Celebration"*

*by Elgin D.S. Rev. Darneather Murph-Heath*

**CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*No. 13-15*

**The Great Thanksgiving**

*Holy Communion in this church is open to all who wish to partake of the grace of God through his Son Jesus Christ. Communion is distributed by intinction. When you receive the bread, dip it into the cup. Please go forward using the center aisle and return to your seat using the side aisle. Please notify an usher if you wish to be served where you are sitting.*

**OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS**

**\*DOXOLOGY** *No. 94*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts; praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts. Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

\* **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

\* **HYMN, No. 374** *“Standing on the Promises”*

\* **BLESSING OF REFRESHMENTS AND BENEDICTION**

*by D.S. Rev. Darneather Murph-Heath*

\* **POSTLUDE**

## **History of the Baptist Church**

A Baptist society was organized at the Wauconda settlement in **the Fall of 1838**, by Elder Wheeler of McHenry. The early services were held at the home of Zebina Ford. After a school house was built in 1839, meetings were held there.

The church was more fully organized in 1849 through the efforts of Rev. John L. Brooks. There were eleven charter members at this time. After the erection of the Academy in 1856, this building was used by both Methodist and Baptists on alternate Sundays.

**In 1856** a joint meeting of Baptists and Methodist was held to adopt measures to build a suitable house of worship for both societies. This meeting was harmonious, and a subscription paper was put in circulation and enough signed to warrant the beginning of building. For years both congregations worshipped in this same house, each occupying it half the time. During the early part of 1870, the Methodist brethren made arrangements to occupy the church every sabbath.

The Baptist congregation proceeded at once to build a suitable house of worship. The church which is now the main auditorium of the Federated Church was erected and dedicated in 1870. Dr. E. J. Goodspeed of Chicago preached the dedication sermon on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of October. The total cost was \$5,537.88 and fully paid for or subscribed on the day of dedication.

A Sunday School was organized. A library of 413 volumes was open to the pupils and church members. A series of meetings in March of 1871 resulted in 37 additions to the church. In June, 1875

a Women's Foreign Mission Circle was organized. In 1878 the "Confession of Faith," published by the American Baptist Publication Society, was adopted. June 7, 1878 showed 56 members, all but five were residents. For six years the church depended upon supplies from the theological schools of Chicago. In September, 1893, Rev. W. H. Eaton came as pastor. Through the years to the date of federating with the Methodist group, the church depended upon students supplied from the University of Chicago.

## **Sketch of Methodist Church**

The Methodist Church of Wauconda was organized **September 3, 1853**, under the direction of the Rev. Charles French of the Wheeling circuit.

In 1840 the north end of Illinois constituted the Rock River Conference. In 1841 Rev. Ora A. Walker, of Wheeling, cared for two Lake Country congregations, Fairfield and Half Day. The Fairfield Methodist church was organized in 1843. This church included members who afterwards organized the church at Wauconda. There can be no doubt there were Methodist families occasionally holding meetings in Wauconda as early as 1840.

At the organization, the first trustees were Cyrus Bowers, Richard Bonner, Nathan Wells, Leis H. Todd and Charles Flether. A church building was erected in 1855 and **1856. This building was occupied both Methodists and Baptists on alternate Sundays until 1870.** The church came under the care of the Libertyville circuit in 1870 and was visited by a circuit rider, who preached at Diamond Lake on the same day. From 1892 to 1896 the Wauconda and Fairfield churches were associates. In the latter year, apparently the Fairfield church was abandoned.

Following 1896, the Volo and Wauconda churches were associated together, both being served by the same pastors. The Garrett Institute for years furnished young men who were students in that institution as pastors. These men were earnest, energetic, and fitted themselves for usefulness in other fields of endeavor.

From 1898 to 1901, when Rev. D. C Dutton was the pastor, there was much material progress made. The church was turned to face Liberty street instead of Main Street, and there was an addition built on so there would be more room for the Sunday School, which had increased to more than one hundred members. Finally in 1900 an adequate parsonage was erected. The church was served mainly by resident pastors up to the time of federation with the Baptist congregation.

*Mary McFeely – 01-04-18*

*Terry Schirmer – 09-16-18*

*Brett Stangeland – 09-23-18*

*Arb Swanson – 03-24-18*

*Enita Washington-Canady*

## Remembering of Our Saints



*Mike Carlson – 05-02-18*

*Jim Chen – 11-01-17*

*Tyler Ficht – 10-02-18*

*Doris Lang*