

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

Wauconda, Illinois

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

**August 11, 2019  
Laughter Sunday**

Our Mission Statement:  
**“Sharing God’s Love through Jesus Christ.”**



**CHURCH STAFF**

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Soon Sun Lee

**Youth Pastor:** Rev. Crystal Calhoun-Johnson

**OFFICE HOURS**

**Office Hours:** Monday through Friday, 8am-12pm

**Pastor’s Office Hours:** Monday – Thursday 9:30am-4:30pm

**Church Phone:** 847-526-8471

**Church Website:** [www.federatedchurchofwauconda.org](http://www.federatedchurchofwauconda.org)

*Gathering God's People*

*Words of Welcome*

*Announcements* (Please sign the attendance sheets)

*Opening Prayer*

*Prelude and Lighting of Candles* Beth Cameron - flute  
"Entr'acte from Carmen" by G. Bizet

*Words of Affirmation* Psalms 126:1-3

*\*Call to Worship*

L: O Lord, giver of joy and laughter,

**P: We thank you for giving us these gifts.**

L: For the moments of laughter and unbridled joy you give to us:

**P: We thank you for giving us these gifts.**

L: For opportunities to laugh at ourselves,

**P: We thank you for giving us these gifts.**

L: For the belly laughs of children,

**P: We thank you for giving us these gifts.**

L: For the courage to smile even when difficulties arise

**P: We thank you for giving us these gifts.**

L: Let us praise God who gives us joy and laughter.

**P: Amen.**

*\*Opening Hymns* "Halle, Halle, Halle" (2 times) No. 2026  
"Sanctuary" No. 2164

*Children's Message*

*\*The Lord's Prayer* No. 895

*\*Passing of the Peace*

*Special Music* "Allegretto" by B. Goddard Beth Cameron - flute

*Joys and Concerns*

*Prayers of the People*

*\*Prayer Hymn* "Father, I Adore You" (v. 1 & 2) No. 2038

*First Reading* Ecclesiastes 3:1, 4, Proverbs 15:15

*Prayer of Preparation*

\**Second Reading* Proverbs 14:30, 15:13, 15:30, 17:22

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

*Sermon* "Cheerful Heart is the Good Medicine" Pastor Soon Sun

*Offering*

\**Offertory Response* "The Doxology" No. 95

*Offering Prayer*

\**Closing Hymn* "I'm Goin' a Sing" No 333

\**Benediction*

\**Postlude* "Arioso" by Bach Beth Cameron - flute

*\*Please stand if you are able*

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*Thank you for worshipping with us. We invite you to join us for coffee and friendship following this worship service.*

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**Today's Worship Participants:**

Acolytes: Cody Lucius, Hero Lucius

Director of Music/Organist: Geri Meyer

Greeter For August: John Mate

Special Music: Beth Cameron

Ushers: Raj & Rose Bhatt, Tom & Peggy Martin

Worship Assistant: Linda Vrabec

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

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

Coffee Fellowship – 10:30am

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**TODAY'S SERMON NOTES**

## **WORSHIP GUIDE FOR THE WEEK**

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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**

**Psalms 126:1-3**

When the Lord changed Zion's circumstances for the better, it was like we had been dreaming. <sup>2</sup>Our mouths were suddenly filled with laughter; our tongues were filled with joyful shouts. It was even said, at that time, among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them!" <sup>3</sup>Yes, the Lord has done great things for us, and we are overjoyed.

### **FIRST READING**

**Ecclesiastes 3:1, 4**

<sup>1</sup> There's a season for everything and a time for every matter under the heavens: <sup>4</sup> a time for crying and a time for laughing, a time for mourning and a time for dancing,

**Proverbs 15:15**

<sup>15</sup> All the days of the needy are hard, but a happy heart has a continual feast.

### **SECOND READING**

**Proverbs 14:30, 15:13, 15:30, 17:22**

<sup>30</sup> A peaceful mind gives life to the body, but jealousy rots the bones.

<sup>13</sup> A joyful heart brightens one's face, but a troubled heart breaks the spirit. <sup>30</sup> Bright eyes give joy to the heart; good news strengthens the bones. <sup>22</sup> A joyful heart helps healing, but a broken spirit dries up the bones.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### ***BIBLE STUDY CLASSES – Aug. 13, 20 & 27***

Tuesday Mornings at 10am and Tuesday evenings at 6pm.

We will be studying "Three Simple Rules" on August 13, 20, 27.

Three Simple Rules is about A Wesleyan Way of Living and was written by Rueben Job. Rueben Job offers an interpretation of John Wesley's General Rules for today's readers. For individual reading or group study, this insightful work calls us to mutual respect, unity and

a deeper daily relationship with God. This simple but challenging look at three commands, "do no harm, do good, stay in love with God." If you are interested in studying or buying this book, "Three Simple Rules", contact Pastor Soon Sun.

*ECUMENICAL PICNIC, KOREAN MUSIC AND DANCE – Aug. 18*

Come celebrate Rally Sunday with us at church as we hear a message and music from Korean Music Missionaries "Ainos". Ainos is a Korean couple who love to sing God's amazing grace around the world. To support their mission, there will be a love offering. During the service we will have a blessing of backpacks for children and adults. Please make sure our children can bring their backpacks for a blessing. We are also hosting the annual "Ecumenical Picnic" from 11-2pm at our church park. Please bring a side dish or dessert to pass. At 1pm there will be a Korean Traditional Music Dance Performance open to the public in our sanctuary. There will be a love offering to support their missions.

*FEDERATED NIGHT AT CULVER'S – Aug. 20*

Our fund-raising committee has planned a "Federated Night at Culver's" in Island Lake. On August 20 between 4pm and closing, if you present a pre-printed tag that identifies you as supporting the Federated Church, Culver's will donate 15% of your transaction to our church. Tags are available on the table in the Narthex. Tell your family and friends and supply them with "tags" as well. The more people we get to eat at Culver's that night, the greater the donation to our church.

*SUPER SENIORS DINNER – Aug. 20*

Our Super Seniors will be going to Culver's for dinner on August 20 to help support the fundraiser. Please meet at Culver's on Rt. 176 in Island Lake at 5:00pm if you would like to join us.

*WOMEN'S SUPPORT GATHERING – Aug. 22*

Our goal is to provide friendship as a means for support, care, prayer, and understanding to the lonely, widows, single (or married) older women in our church.

Our next gathering is August 22 at J&D's at **12:30pm** and Annie Petersen's house at **1:30pm**.

F.O.C.W. LADIES ANNUAL LUNCHEON – Aug. 24

Our annual F.O.C.W Ladies Luncheon will be at noon on Saturday, August 24 at Dover Straits in Mundelein. Please sign up by August 3 if you would like to join us, The cost will be \$25 per adult. More details by the sign-up sheet in the fellowship area.

WAAUCONDA CARE SERVICE – Aug. 28

A Wauconda Care Communion Service is held 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 bulletins and greet the residents. Join us as we bring the communion worship and songs to the people at Wauconda Care.

CONTINUED PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Cheryl Ficht's mom, Dan, Jean (Cathy Mate's mother), Linda & Tom Vrabec, family of Mr. "Bud" Eckmann, Ken Sorlie, Pun Fehlman, Tony Rake, Angie Humphrey, Ron Zinkel, Bob Reardon, Lilah Mae Stangeland, Jason Miele, Raj Bhatt, Larry & Elsie Bock, Leonor Braund, Florence Burton, Paul Deinlein, Donna Gallmeyer-Dixon, Mickie Kisselburg, Scott Matthews, Billy Meyer, Laura Peroutka, Larisa Peterson, Brian Swanson, Will Tremont, Brian Zinkel

PASTOR SOON SUN'S OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Soon Sun's office hours are Monday through Thursday 9:30am – 4:30pm. She will be in the office at this time unless called away due to pastoral visits or ministry. 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](mailto:soonsunlee@live.com).

PASTOR'S PRAYER FOCUS

During August, I will be praying for peace, love, kindness, and justice for our nation and the world. Please continue to pray for the United Methodist Churches and our church as well as church leaders. Please join me in Thursday's Prayer Meeting at 10am or 7pm if God lays it on your heart to do so. With more prayer from the people comes more power to us. I also welcome prayer requests at any time you have a special concern. Please email your requests to [soonsunlee@live.com](mailto:soonsunlee@live.com).

### PRAYER MEETINGS

We have two prayer meeting times – Thursday mornings at 10:30am and Thursday evenings at 7:00pm. Our meetings are a time to gather with other believers to lift our needs and our praises to God.

### PRAYER PARTNER EMAILS

If you would like to receive the Joys and Concerns Prayer Partner emails or if you have a concern please email Nancy Swanson at [nraswanson@gmail.com](mailto:nraswanson@gmail.com) or call her at 847-533-1766. Joys and Concerns from each Sunday's service are emailed each week.

### RECYCLE, RECYCLE, RECYCLE!!!

We have a huge recycling bin behind the Annex which is available for aluminum recycling. Please bring your aluminum recycling and help make some extra change for the church. Another way for us to receive donations from things we do every day, is to utilize AmazonSmile for your online shopping. They will ask you to register your charity and once you do, the Federated Church will get a donation for everything you buy. It is small, but every penny counts.

### SHUT-INS VISITS FROM PASTOR LEE

Pastor Soon Sun has been visiting shut-ins to give the Holy Communion monthly. If you know of a member of our church or a family member that could use a visit from Pastor Soon Sun, please let her know

### RUMMAGE SALE DONATIONS

We are taking donations for our Rummage Sale. The annex door will be open every Sunday from 8:30am – 6:00pm. If you need to drop off donations during the week please call Nancy Lucius at 847-848-5023 or Tabitha Lucius at 224-864-3531 to arrange a different time. The dates of the rummage sale are Sept. 26, 27, 28.

### SPECIAL SUMMER MUSIC

August 18<sup>th</sup>, Korean Worship Team  
August 25<sup>th</sup>, Mary Ann Beatty - Soloist  
September 1<sup>st</sup>, Larry Kujovich – Solo

CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR – Aug 11 - 18		
TODAY: Aug. 11	10:45 am	Outreach Meeting
MON: Aug. 12	8:00 am	Breakfast with the Pastor
	9:00 am	Senior Exercise
	7:00 pm	AA Meeting
TUES: Aug. 13	10:00 am	Bible Study
	11:30 am	Pastor at W.I.L.M.A. Meeting
	6:00 pm	Bible Study
WED: Aug. 14	6:00 pm	T.O.P.S.
	6:30 pm	Worship Meeting
	7:00 pm	Trustees Meeting
THURS: Aug. 15	10:00 am	Prayer Meeting
	7:00 pm	Prayer Meeting
	8:00 pm	Alanon Meeting
FRI: Aug. 16		
SAT: Aug. 17		
SUN: Aug. 18		Rally Day!
		Blessing of Backpacks
	9:30 am	Christian Music Worship & Witness
	11-2pm	Ecumenical Picnic
	1:00 pm	Korean Traditional Dance Performance

**LAY MINISTRIES:** Next Sunday – Aug. 18

Worship Assistant.....Mary Steffen  
 Ushers.....Jutta Culbertson, Laurel DeBoer, Dave Fehlman, Ted Tremont  
 Acolytes.....Hunter Lucius, Madison Lucius