

**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.

November 17, 2019

Our Mission Statement: **Sharing God's Love through Jesus Christ."**



CHURCH STAFF

Senior Pastor: Rev. Soon Sun Lee

Youth Pastor: Rev. Crystal Calhoun-Johnson

Secretary: Peggy Martin

OFFICE HOURS

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

Pastor Soon Sun's Office Hours: Tuesday – Thursday, 10am-5pm

Pastor Crystal's Office Hours: Tuesday 9a-5p & Thursday 9a-3:30p

Church Phone: 847-526-8471

Church Website: www.federatedchurchofwauconda.org

Gathering God's People

Words of Welcome

Announcements

(Please sign the attendance sheets)

Opening Prayer

Introit

"Praise the Lord"

Natalie Sleeth

Prelude and Lighting of Candles

****Call to Worship***

Leader: Friends, let us worship God today, for God is great –

People: God has blessed us with life, with faith, and with community.

Leader: Let us worship God today, for God is good –

People: God forgives us, and encourages us, and loves us.

Leader: Let us worship God today –

People: Because we are God's people.

Leader: Let us worship God.

****Opening Hymn***

"Sanctuary" (2 times)

No. 2164

Children's Message

Pastor Crystal

Ministry Video

Worship Committee

****The Lord's Prayer***

No. 895

****Passing of the Peace***

Choir Anthem

"Make My Life a Song of Praise"

Mark Patterson

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Prayer Hymn

"You Are My Hiding Place"

No. 2055

First Reading

2 Corinthians 9:6-7

Prayer of Preparation

****Second Reading***

Luke 6:38

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon “On Surviving a Predatory Church ” Melissa Pearson

Offering

***Offering Response** “*The Doxology*” No. 95

***Offering Prayer**

***Closing Hymn** “*Cry of My Heart*” No. 2165

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

** Please stand if you are able*

Thank you for worshipping with us. We invite you to join us for coffee and fellowship following this worship service in the refreshment area.

There will be a sermon manuscript (5 copies) available for those who wish to read before the sermon or give it to someone.

Today’s Worship Participants:

Acolytes: Hunter Lucius, Madison Lucius

Director of Music/Organist: Geri Meyer

Greeter For November: Sue Seaman

Ushers: Ann Petersen, Tony Rake, Ruby Thacker

Worship Assistant: Cheryl Ficht

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.

FIRST READING

2 Corinthians 9:6-7

⁶What I mean is this: the one who sows a small number of seeds will also reap a small crop, and the one who sows a generous amount of seeds will also reap a generous crop.⁷Everyone should give whatever they have decided in their heart. They shouldn't give with hesitation or because of pressure. God loves a cheerful giver.

SECOND READING

Luke 6:38

³⁸Give, and it will be given to you. A good portion—packed down, firmly shaken, and overflowing—will fall into your lap. The portion you give will determine the portion you receive in return.”



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WAUCONDA CARE CENTER SERVICE

There's been a schedule change in our Wauconda Care Center service for November and December. We will meet there on *Thursday Nov. 21* at 3:00. There will not be a weekday service in December, but we will carol there on Dec. 8.

THANKSGIVING DINNER – Nov. 23

Invite your friends and family to our Thanksgiving Dinner next Saturday, November 23 at 6:00! Look for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Please bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share. Make it part of your tradition!

THANKSGIVING MUSIC SUNDAY – Nov. 24

Join us November 24 as we express our “Attitude of Gratitude” in song. On this Sunday you are invited to bring your Thanksgiving offering to God. If you're able, please bring non-perishable goods for the Wauconda-Island Lake Food Pantry.

HANGING OF THE GREENS – Nov. 24

Also, next Sunday, please plan to stay after the Worship Service to help beautify the church for Christmas. We will be decorating all around to prepare for Advent and the Christmas Bazaar! Many hands make light work. We'll be ordering pizza for lunch...join us!

SUPER SENIORS EVENTS – SAVE THE DATES

The next Super Senior Lunch will be this Wednesday **Nov. 20** at the Midwest Breakfast Co. in Spring Grove. Please sign up! Strawberry Moon will be hosting the Super Senior Christmas Party once again on Sunday **Dec. 8**. Always a lovely evening. More details to come.

BIBLE STUDY RESUMES - Nov. 26

Bible Study will resume on Tuesday Nov. 26 at 10:00 am and 6:00 pm with a four-part Advent series. Please join us for a break from the holiday hustle and bustle and an opportunity to focus on the hope, peace, joy, and love of the time preceding Christmas.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR – Dec. 7

Please start bringing your items for Grandma's Attic (used Christmas decorations and other treasures), gently used jewelry and other accessories for the Glamorama Boutique (give to Lou Ann ASAP), bring baked goods, candy and cookies for our Cookie Walk the morning of the bazaar. Set up will be after church on the Dec. 1 and at the FOCW meeting Monday Dec. 2 at 7:00pm. Candee has her clipboard for signing up to help. Thanks to everyone in advance. Contact Candee with any questions - candeenustra@gmail.com or 847-526- 3873.

CHRISTMAS CAROLLING – Dec. 8

If you'd like to join us to visit and bring some Christmas joy to the residents of Wauconda Care Center and Alden Estates, we'll meet here in the parking lot at 2:40 on Sunday Dec. 8. We will follow up with fellowship back at the church around 6:00.

PADS – Dec. 14/15

This year we are going to help PADS(**P**roviding **A**dvocacy, **D**ignity, and **S**helter) to feed and shelter up to 40 homeless men at Messiah Lutheran from Sat. evening through Sun. morning, Dec. 14/15. We provide dinner, breakfast and a sack lunch for the guests. Help is needed between the hours of 5pm and 8am. We need shift volunteers, food teams, clean up and set up. Set up on Saturday from 5pm-6pm is a wonderful opportunity for all including teens. If you can help, please fill out the form in the Narthex or contact the church at 847-526-8471. Tom Martin will be in contact with you soon.

CONTINUED PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Florence Anderson, Jan Hironimus, Brian Zinkel, Ron Zinkel, Melissa Pearson, Heidi's friend Deb, Cheryl F.'s mom, Sylvia's grandson Ethan, Aiden Lucius, Mary Steffen's sister Diane, Mitch & Joann Beinkowski, Teddy Sta.Rosa, Louise's co-worker, Geri Meyer, Ken Sorlie, Tony Rake, Angie Humphrey, Bob Reardon, Lilah Mae Stangeland, Jason Miele, Larry Bock, Leonor Braund, Florence Burton, Donna Gallmeyer-Dixon, Mickie Kisselburg, Scott Matthews, Billy Meyer, Laura Peroutka, Larisa Peterson, Brian Swanson, Will Tremont

BREAKFAST WITH FRIENDS

Start your week off right with a time of fellowship with friends from the church. We meet every week on Monday at 8:00am. Restaurants vary, so please check with Pastor Soon Sun. Join us for coffee, breakfast or just good conversation.

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 or call her at 847-533-1766. Joys and Concerns from each Sunday's service are emailed each week.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you 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.

DEVOTIONAL GUIDES

The *November/December* issue of "The Upper Room" and the *September/October/November* issue of "The Secret Place" devotional guides are now available in the literature rack on the table in the entry way. Approximate cost is 50 cents, which may be placed in the offering plate.

PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Thank you to our congregation for your continuing support of the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. It is a precious gift to be able to offer help to those in need. Please help if you can.

CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR – Nov. 17 – Nov. 24		
TODAY: Nov. 17	11:00 am	Fundraising Meeting
	11:00 am	Youth Group Meeting
MON: Nov. 18		Beacon Deadline
	8:00 am	Breakfast with Friends
	9:00 am	Senior Exercise
	7:00 pm	AA Meeting
TUE: Nov. 19	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
WED: Nov. 20	11:30 am	Super Seniors @ Midwest Breakfast Co.
	6:00 pm	T.O.P.S.
	7:00 pm	Federated Board Meeting
THURS: Nov. 21	10:00 am	Prayer Meeting
	3:00 pm	Wauconda Care Center Service
	7:00 pm	Prayer Meeting
	8:00 pm	Al-Anon
FRI: Nov. 22		
SAT: Nov. 23	6:00 pm	Thanksgiving Dinner
SUN: Nov. 24	9:30 am	Thanksgiving Music Sunday
	11:00 am	Hanging of the Greens

LAY MINISTRIES: Next Sunday – November 24

Worship Assistant.....Linda Vrabec

Ushers.....Raj & Rose Bhatt, Tom & Peggy Martin

Acolytes.....Cody Lucius, Hero Lucius