

**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 24, 2019 - A Service of Gratitude
Thanksgiving 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

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

First Scripture Readings

Psalm 95:1-7,
Psalm 105:1-2

**** Opening Song***

"Forever God is Faithful!"

see Media

**** Call to Worship***

Leader: The world is filled with the glory of God, and we say,

People: Thank you!

Leader: The hills and valleys are filled with color, and we say,

People: Thank you!

Leader: The vines and trees are filled with fruit, and we say,

People: Thank you!

Leader: Our tables are overflowing with food, and we say,

People: Thank you!

Leader: Our life is filled with love of family and friends, and we say,

People: Thank you!

Leader: We fill this house of God with our voices, saying,

People: Thank you!

Leader: May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts
be acceptable to you, O God, as enter into this service of thanksgiving
and praise.

People: Amen.

Violin Solo

"To God Be the Glory"

Heidi Lee

Thanksgiving Skit

"Shower of Blessings"

Louise Bundy

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

No. 895

****Passing of the Peace***

Choir Anthem

*"The Majesty and Glory
of Your Name "*

Tom Fettke
and Linda Johnson

Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People

Second Reading Psalm 100

Hymn “*Now Thank We All Our God*” No. 102 (vs. 1-2)

Korean Hymn No. 86 (verses 1, 2) Pastor Soon Sun

Third Reading Psalm 107:8-9

Time of Sharing “What are You Thankful For?”
Please use the “feather” inside your bulletin to write a “Thank You” note to God. You will be invited to come up and attach it to the turkey in an act of gratitude.

Media Presentation

Hymn “*Count Your Blessing*” See Media

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

**Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving*

We thank You for bringing us all to Your house safely and we are so blessed by Your presence here today. Thank You for Your love and mercy on us, God. Accept these tithes and offerings today. We love You, Lord! Amen

**Closing Hymn* “*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*” No. 694

**Benediction*

**Postlude*

** Please stand if you are able*

Today’s Worship Participants:

Acolytes: Cody Lucius, Hero Lucius

Director of Music/Organist: Geri Meyer

Ushers: Raj & Rose Bhatt, Tom & Peggy Martin

Worship Assistant: Linda Vrabec

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 READINGS

Psalm 95:1-7

Come, let's sing out loud to the Lord! Let's raise a joyful shout to the rock of our salvation!² Let's come before him with thanks! Let's shout songs of joy to him!³ The Lord is a great God, the great king over all other gods.⁴ The earth's depths are in his hands; the mountain heights belong to him;⁵ the sea, which he made, is his along with the dry ground, which his own hands formed.⁶ Come, let's worship and bow down! Let's kneel before the Lord, our maker!⁷ He is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, the sheep in his hands. If only you would listen to his voice right now!

Psalm 105:1-2

Give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make his deeds known to all people!² Sing to God; sing praises to the Lord; dwell on all his wondrous works!

SECOND READING

Psalm 100

Shout triumphantly to the Lord, all the earth! ²Serve the Lord with celebration! Come before him with shouts of joy!³ Know that the Lord is God— he made us; we belong to him. We are his people, the sheep of his own pasture.⁴ Enter his gates with thanks; enter his courtyards with praise! Thank him! Bless his name!⁵ Because the Lord is good, his loyal love lasts forever; his faithfulness lasts generation after generation.

THIRD READING

Psalm 107:8-9

Let them thank the Lord for his faithful love and his wondrous works for all people, ⁹because God satisfied the one who was parched with thirst, and he filled up the hungry with good things!

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HANGING OF THE GREENS – Today!

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!

POINSETTIA FLOWERS

Ann Petersen will be taking orders for poinsettia flowers after the worship service today and next Sunday. The cost of each flower this year is \$4.00.

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.

SUPER SENIORS CHRISTMAS PARTY – DEC. 8

Please sign up this week if you'd like to join in the fun. Strawberry Moon will once again be hosting us on Sunday December 8 at 5:00. The cost per person is \$25, which covers a 4-course meal plus coffee, tea, or a soft drink. It's always a lovely evening...Hope you can join us.

P.S. There will be a grab-bag exchange – please bring a \$10 gift.

PADS – Dec. 14/15

This year we are going to help PADS(Providing Advocacy, Dignity, and Shelter) 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 7pm to 10pm (Guest Assist) and from 6am to 8am (Clean Up). If you can help, please fill out the form in the Narthex or contact Tom Martin at **tomrmartin@yahoo.com** or 847.826.8291.

CONTINUED PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Jeff Hladik (Pastor Jason's brother), Linda Wicker, Florence Anderson, Jan Hironimus, Mary Steffen's sister Diane, Brian Zinkel, Ron Zinkel, Melissa Pearson, Heidi's friend Deb, Cheryl F.'s mom, Sylvia's grandson Ethan, Aiden Lucius, Mitch & Joann Beinkowski, Teddy Sta.Rosa, Louise's co-worker, Geri Meyer, 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

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 *December/January/February* 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.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS IN DECEMBER

- Outreach.....Dec. 1 11:00am
- FOCW.....Dec. 2 7:00pm
- WorshipDec. 4 6:30pm
- Education.....Dec. 8 10:45am
- Trustees.....Dec. 11 7:00pm
- Finance.....Dec. 15 11:00am
- Federated Board.....Dec. 18 7:00pm

CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR – Nov. 24 – Dec. 1		
TODAY: Nov. 24		Thanksgiving Music Sunday
	11:00 am	Hanging of the Greens
MON: Nov. 25	8:00 am	Breakfast with Friends
	9:00 am	Senior Exercise
	7:00 pm	AA Meeting
TUE: Nov. 26	10:00 am	Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
WED: Nov. 27		Beacon Gets Mailed
	6:00 pm	T.O.P.S.
THURS: Nov. 28		Happy Thanksgiving
FRI: Nov. 29		Office Closed
SAT: Nov. 30		
SUN: Dec. 1		First Sunday of Advent
		Food Pantry Sunday
		Communion in the Pews
	9:30 am	“Hanging of the Greens” Service
	10:30am	Youth Group/Kids Club Practice
	11:00 am	Outreach Committee Meeting

LAY MINISTRIES: Next Sunday – December 1

Greeter for December.....Bonnie DeBoer
Worship Assistant.....Pastor Crystal
Ushers.....Jutta Culbertson, Laurel DeBoer, Dave Fehlman,
Ted Tremont
Acolytes.....Hunter Lucius, Madison Lucius