

Federated Church

December 30th 2018

Calendar of Commemoration and Announcements

Jacopone da Todi, Franciscan poet. (1230 – 25 December 1306)

Little is known with historical certainty about the life of of Jacopone da Todi. He was born Jacopone Benedetti to a wealthy family in the town of Todi, Italy. As a young man he entered a career as a notario, combining the skills of an accountant and a lawyer. And he married. All of these elements suggest an early life of modest wealth.

A popular story from an early religious biography suggests that his life drastically changed when, at a wedding feast, a balcony collapsed and mortally wounded his young wife. Devastated, Jacopone abandoned his career and gave away all of his possessions.

He became a wandering penitent and a source of public ridicule. Jacopone eventually joined the Franciscan order. Among the Franciscans, he discovered his gift for poetry. Brother Jacopone became a leader of the Spirituals faction of Franciscans who dedicated themselves to the ideal of radical poverty.

The Franciscan Spirituals got caught up in the ugly politics of papal succession of the time, and Jacopone was imprisoned for five years for his opposition to the election of Pope Boniface VIII. Throughout this time, Jacopone continued to write his ecstatic and mournful poems that touch upon the deepest personal encounters with divine Love.

With his release on Pope Boniface's death, Jacopone retired to a hermitage near Orvieto. He died on Christmas Day in 1306.



*First visit to Federated today? Welcome!
We would like to know that you were here. Please fill out a
"Connection Card" and place it in the offering basket.*

*Federated Church is a Christian Community shaped by servanthood, inclusivity,
peace making, and simplicity. All persons are invited to participate fully in the ministries of
Federated Church, regardless of age, race, gender identity, sexual orientation,
cultural background, disabilities, marital status or financial circumstances.
United Methodists – Presbyterians – Everyone*



Sunday December 30th

2 Cents-a-Meal

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM One Worship Service

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM Coffee Cafe hosted by Prime Time

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Jr. High Youth Group

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM Sr. High Youth Group

Tuesday January 1st

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

OFFICE CLOSED

Wednesday January 2nd

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Women at the Well

11:30 AM - 2:00 PM FCW Luncheon - 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM Praying with Christian Mystics discussion

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Celebration Singers practice

Thursday January 3rd

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Praise Team Practice

Friday January 4th

OFFICE CLOSED

8:30 AM - 10:45 AM PATH Exercise

Saturday January 5th

8:30 AM - 12:30 PM Mental Health First Aid

4:00 PM - Nomadic Shelter

Sunday January 6th

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM One Worship Service

11:00 AM Annual Congregational Meeting

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Cancer Support Group

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Cathy's Sunday breakfast - Youth Group

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Jr. High Youth Group

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM Sr. High Youth Group

**Please note-
The Annual Congegational Meeting will be held on January 6th, after worship, in Price Hall.**

2019 Slate of Candidates

Your Nominating Committee is pleased to present our 2019 Slate of Candidates:

Council full

Dave Heeren
Craig Styles
Sara Munday

Council partial

Karen Parker

Trustees (no openings)

Nominating Committee full

Jim Hughes

Nominating Committee partial

Patty McKinney

Annual Conference alternate

Gretchen McLean

Dave Heeren has been worshipping at Federated since 2013 after his family relocated from Carmichael. He volunteers with Nomadic Shelter and The Upper Room. He grew up in the Red Bluff Presbyterian Church and is a semi-retired pharmacist employed at UC Davis Health. One of his sons, Dan, is also active in the Church. He and his wife, Mary, live in Pleasant Valley.

Jim Hughes has been a member of Federated Church for over 25 years. He has been active with youth mission adventures and enjoys helping with Trunk or Treat. He and his wife Mary live in Diamond Springs.

Patty McKinney has lived in El Dorado County since 1979 and have been a member of Federated Church since 1988. She and her husband, Marv, were married in the church in 1992. She has served on the board and is currently a member of the Stewardship Team and helps with photographing events for the PowerPoint. She is also a volunteer for the Nomadic Shelter, doing kitchen duty for the past 2 years.

Gretchen McLean has been a member of Federated Church since 2008. She previously served as a member of the Federated Preschool board and is currently serving as member of SPRT, Church Council and Hospitality Team. Gretchen also volunteers with the Nomadic Shelter. Her children Mark and Hannah have been part of the children's choir and attended Youth Group. Gretchen lives in River Pines with her daughter Hannah.

Sara Munday has been at Federated since 2010. Her passion is mission, and she has made several trips to Haiti. She loves sharing her animals with everyone at Federated. She and her partner, Gilbert, live in Camino.

Karen Parker joined Federated in 2004. She has served on the Communications, Hospitality, and Staff-Parish Relations teams, and is presently a member of the Youth Ministry Team. Karen is a project manager in the environmental services division of Jacobs Engineering Group in Sacramento. She lives in Folsom with her daughter, Allie.

Craig Styles has been a member of Federated since he and his wife, Cathy, moved here from the Bay Area in 1992 when their son Adam was just a couple of months old. Cathy was involved in many areas of the church and Craig has been a member of the Men's Book Group for 25 years, has helped out with the Nomadic Shelter for the last couple of years, and recently, with Share.



COFFEE HOUR



You are invited to join us for coffee and finger food in Price Hall after the service.

Prime Time is the host and donations will go to SHARE Food Closet.



CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING TODAY!

Our Christmas Joy Offering each year is to provide financial help to current and retired church workers with critical financial needs and to support schools and colleges for students of color (50% to Presbyterian Church USA) and to our mission partners, the Griners, in the Dominican Republic. (50% to United Methodist Church). This is our opportunity to support these ongoing programs and hopefully add hope and joy to some lives in the USA and Dominican Republic. Special envelopes are in the pews.



Pastor's Bible Study

We will begin again at 8:30 am in the Fireside Room on Sunday, January 13th.

Our theme will be 'Who's Afraid of the big Black Book?'

An Introduction to the Book of Revelation.

You're invited.....



Tibetan Benefit Dinner prepared by the Tibetan monks of Gaden Shartse Monastery.

**At Federated on Thursday, January 10th
7pm-9pm**

Traditional Tibetan "momos", veggie or meat-filled dumplings, soup, salad and opening blessing by the monks. Limited Seating! Event sells out quickly and pre-registration and pre-payment are required.

Cost: \$35.00 per person

Tickets on sale January 1st at

BrownPaperTickets.com

search Placerville Friends of Tibet

Celtic Communion

While Celtic Communion will NOT be celebrated this Wednesday, January 2nd, the Praying with Christian Mystics discussion time WILL take place at 12.30pm.

Celtic Communion will resume at Noon on Wednesday, January 9th.

Spirit Boosters

FOR THE JOURNEY OF AGING

By Missy Buchanan, Advocate for Older Adults

Another year quietly comes to a close. You haven't the energy to party until midnight. Truthfully, you would rather ponder the lessons of the past year. You have learned to choose faith over worry, to choose grace over judgment, to choose her humility over pride, and to choose love over hate.

These choices will create a lasting legacy of God's faithfulness in your life.

"Choose this day whom you will serve ... but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

-Joshua 24:15

Calling all 1031 Senior High Youth!
Registration starts now for...

2019 Winter Retreat
January 11-13, 2019

Contact Amanda Anderson for more information:
federatedyouthgroup@gmail.com



Start the New Year off right-not with resolutions, but with a Labyrinth.
Attend FCW's General meeting and luncheon Wednesday, January 2 at 11:30am as Sharon Fraser tells us how labyrinths can be used as prayer or meditations tools.



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