

Federated Church

June 9th 2019

Calendar of Commemoration and Announcements

Seattle, Chief of the Suquamish (1786-1866)



Growing up in a Suquamish village along the Puget Sound, Seattle witnessed the arrival of the first whites in the Northwest. By the time he became chief of his tribe, there was a steady stream of settlers. Rejecting violence, Seattle put his trust in peaceful dialogue. But as the intentions of the whites became clear, his goal focused on the survival of his people.

In 1830 Seattle converted to Christianity. He tried to integrate his faith with that of his ancestors, but each year his traditional world grew smaller. The whites considered the land a commodity, but Seattle observed "We are part of the earth and it is part of us."

In 1855 Seattle signed a treaty that transferred the Indian lands to the federal government in exchange for a reservation in the Northwest. In a letter to President Pierce he wrote "One thing we know, which the white man may one day discover- Our God is the same God. You may think that you own Him as you wish to own our land; but you cannot."

Chief Seattle died on June 7th 1866 near the city that today bears his name.

*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*

This week @ Federated

Sunday June 9th

PENTECOST

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Morning

Worship Service

11:15 AM - 12:30 PM Pastor Search

Team Listening Session

Monday June 10th

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM HELP Placement

2:00 PM - 5:00 PM HELP

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Help Mentor
meeting

3:30 PM - 7:30 PM HELP Board
meeting

Tuesday June 11th

7:00 AM - 8:15 AM Federated
Men's Book Club

8:30 AM - 10:45 AM PATH Exercise

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Deacons
Meeting

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Church Council
Meeting

Wednesday June 12th

10:00 AM - 12:30 PM FCW Board
Meeting

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Women at the Well

Thursday June 13th

10:00 AM - 11:15 AM SHARE

Leadership Meeting

11:15 AM - 12:30 PM Diamond

Village Project

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Praise Team

Practice

Friday June 14th

8:30 AM - 10:45 AM PATH

Exercise

Saturday June 15th

11:00 AM Charlie Humes
memorial

Sunday June 16th

Upper Room Sunday

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Morning

Worship Service

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Grief Group

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Nomadic Shelter
Coffee cafe

11:15 AM - 12:30 PM Pastor Search
Team Listening Session

A Place to Lay Their Heads

Federated Church is partnering with the First Presbyterian Church in Turlock to provide living space for refugees who have sought asylum in the United States. We are hoping that our congregation will help raise money to provide beds and bedding for some refugees who have been admitted to the U.S. from Guatemala. Over the next few weeks, we hope to raise \$2000.00 for the Safe Harbor project that is converting space for up to seven families at the Cortez Refugee Center. Checks can be made out to Federated Church with Safe Harbors Central Valley on the memo line. You can also donate online at <https://www.safeharbors.net/>. Be sure to add a note that your donation is for the Central Valley.

For more information, please contact Jim or Mary Hill Hughes at jmhughes555@gmail.com or 530-391-1314.



Calling Volunteers!
We are looking for 3 or 4
people to help run the
(prepared) PowerPoint
slideshow on Sunday
mornings! Interested?
Please email Ericka at
fedchurchppt@gmail.com

Spirit Boosters

FOR THE JOURNEY OF AGING

By Missy Buchanan, Advocate for Older Adults

Sometimes you feel like you are just a number---a room number,
an age, a patient number.

But you are God's beloved child who has accumulated decades of life experiences.

Celebrate what makes you unique today---your name, your story, your purpose.

Rejoice knowing that you belong to God.

I will not forget you. See, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands.

- Isaiah 49:15-16

UNITED METHODISTS ACT TO RESIST TRADITIONAL PLAN

Two separate gatherings in late May featured strategies to forge a new UMC. Meeting in Minneapolis, UM Forward was led specifically by Persons of Color and LGBTQ+ persons, and considered the following:

- How do we articulate a passionate love for God to our communities?
- What are the non-negotiables for the church moving forward?
- What is the nature of the problem for which the local church is the solution?
- How do we want to relate to each other? What are the benefits/costs for staying together as a denomination?
- Theological: What theological and spiritual understandings must be at the core of our covenant and solidarity?

Strategy fell along three tracks: Resisting from within; developing an in/out hybrid connectedness; and birthing a wholly/holy new church connection.

UMC Next, a gathering of 600 church leaders from across the US met in Kansas to develop four commitments:

1. We long to be passionate followers of Jesus Christ, committed to a Wesleyan vision of Christianity, anchored in scripture and informed by tradition, experience and reason as we live a life of personal piety and social holiness.
2. We commit to resist evil, injustice and oppression in all forms and toward all people and build a church which affirms the full participation of all ages, nations, races, classes, cultures, gender identities, sexual orientations, and abilities.
3. We reject the Traditional Plan approved at General Conference 2019 as inconsistent with the gospel of Jesus Christ and will resist its implementation.
4. We will work to eliminate discriminatory language and the restrictions and penalties in the Discipline regarding LGBTQ persons. We affirm the sacred worth of LGBTQ persons, celebrate their gifts, and commit to being in ministry together.



The Pastor Search Team will be conducting a series of Listening Sessions during June with the purpose of creating opportunities for congregation members to express to the team their understanding of who Federated Church is and what about Federated is important to them. This process will result in a Ministry Information Form that will be used in the pastor selection process of the Presbyterian Church (PCUSA). Pastor Search Team (PST) members will be available in the Fireside Room following church service on June 9th, 16th, and 23rd.

More options to provide feedback; via the mailbox in the church office, via comment cards in the pews (place in the offering plate or the box in the office,) and via email to federated.pst@gmail.com. This feedback is integral to the work laid out before us and is much appreciated. We look forward to hearing from you.

-Pastor Search Team

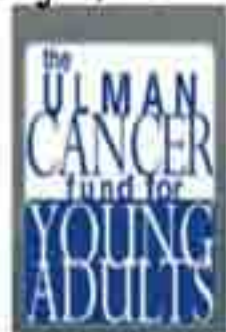


On Monday June 17th, Federated will have the honor of hosting 21 young adults as they run across America to raise money for The Ulman Cancer Fund for Young Adults, and we need your help.

We will be providing a dinner (a taco or burrito bar) some healthy snacks (fruit and granola bars) and breakfast to go (bagels, cream cheese, fruit, coffee and OJ) for these young athletes. If you would like to help, please call or email the office and let Kate know what you plan to provide. Food needs to be delivered to the church either on Sunday morning, June 16th or between 4-5pm on Monday, June 17th. There are some vegetarians and vegans in the group that we would like to accommodate.

We also need someone to greet the runners and help with meal prep, please let Kate know if you can be here!

For more info on their cause please visit <https://4kforcancer.org/>



IT'S TIME TO SHARE and time to remember the food closet downstairs to help out your neighbors who are hungry. You can put your non-perishable food donations in the black tub in the office and share the love of Jesus Christ with others. You can also write a check to Federated Church with SHARE in the memo line and put it in the offering plate. It will be put to good use such as buying bulk oats, rice and beans.

It's also TRAVEL SEASON, so bring back those hotel toiletries and put them in the tub too! SHARE volunteers set out a basket of toiletries each day, and visitors to the food closet help themselves to whatever they can use. There's no need to put them in baggies though as they are distributed loose. Lastly, donations of paper and plastic bags are always welcome.



-- Sharon Fraser, Federated Church Liaison to SHARE MINISTRIES.



Welcome children and families!

God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress those wiggles and giggles in God's house! Children are a big part of our faith family.

A short while into the service we will have "Children's Time": the Children's Minister, or the Pastor will invite the children to the front of the church for a short children's sermon.

Then we head downstairs to our classrooms. We have fun play and lessons with Miss Stephanie for 3-6 year olds and with Miss Kate for 7-11 year olds, and most weeks we also have loving childcare for toddlers - you are welcome to accompany your little one until they are comfortable.

If you have to leave the Sanctuary with your child, feel free to do so: our "Family Comfort Room" is adjacent to the Sanctuary with a changing table, comfortable seating, toys, books and a TV where the live worship service is broadcast. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

For more information on Sunday School and Children's activities, please contact Kate Evans, Minister to Children and Families at federatedchildren@yahoo.com ~ 530.622.0273 x 17



**Health
Ministry**

June is Men's Health Month

Wear blue for the men in your lives and encourage them to:

1. Eat Healthy – moderate quantities, add fruits and vegetables, eat a variety of foods to get vitamins and minerals
2. Get Moving – play with youngsters, take the stairs, do yard work, use those comfortable walking shoes
3. Make Prevention a Priority – get regular checkups from your healthcare provider, including blood pressure, cholesterol, glucose and prostate screenings



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