# ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Today, May 18<sup>th</sup>

Adult Sunday School, 9:00am Confirmation, 9:00am Youth Sunday School, 9:15am Choir Practice, 9:30am Worship, 10:00am Special service in honor of Pastor Colleen's 20th Anniversary in Ministry

> Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup> Church Council Meeting, 6:30pm

Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> Church Office Hours, Noon-4:00pm Bible Study, 7:00pm (Church basement)

> **Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>** Church Office Hours, 8-Noon

Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup> Adult Sunday School, 9:00am Confirmation, 9:00am Youth Sunday School, 9:15am Choir Practice, 9:30am Worship, 10:00am K.T. Service, 1:30pm (Elder, Deana Niewold)

> Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day (Pastor Colleen off)

**Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>** June Newsletter Deadline May Birthdays & Anniversaries 21st - Theresa Struss 23rd - Colleen Lawrence 28th - Mike & Theresa Struss Ann. 30th - Deana Niewold

# Congratulations Pastor Colleen!

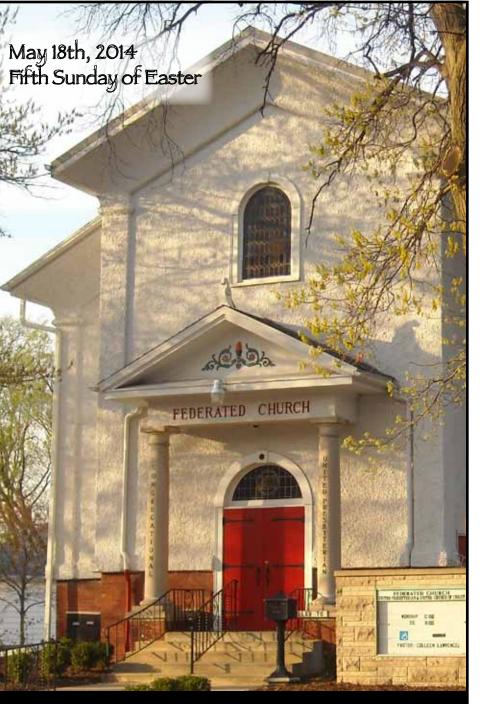
Lord, We ask thanksgiving, comfort, healing and faith for these friends and family members Bonnie Magnus, Robin & Randy Pearson, Kitty Anderson, Jeff & Barb Legener

**Continued Health of Cancer Treatment Patients** Janet Goudy, Alan Turner, Ivan Andreae

*Homebound or in Adult Health Care Centers* Sue Moore, Donald Rhodes, Jani Fraim, Marcella Woodworth

For the month of MAY, please bring *peanut butter, jelly & hamburger helper* for the Food Pantry. As always, all non-perishable food items are welcomed.

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## The Federated Church of Paxton



10:00 a.m. Worship Service

## Welcome to our guests!

Please take a minute to sign our guest book located at the back of the sanctuary.

#### Sharing of Joys, News, Concerns

#### **Invocation** (in unison)

Merciful Father, we join in Worship in the assurance that there is a place for us in your plans. We ask for discernment to recognize our special gifts and courage to use them. Quiet folks' opposition to the Gospel, so they will recognize that we are not turning the world upside down, but helping to turn it right side up, for the sake of your Word. Keep our Worship focused on your action, in Christ, on our behalf; we pray in Jesus name. Amen.

#### Prelude

#### \*Bringing in the Light of Christ

*Opening Hymn "In Christ there is No East or West"	PH, #439
*Psalm 31:1-8, 15 & 16 (responsively)	
Reflection of 20 years of Ministry	Special Music
*Offertory	
*We Give Thee But Thine Own	PH, #428
*Prayer of Dedication	
*Affirmation of Faith (Apostles' Creed)	
*Gloria Patri	PH, #579
<b>Collect Prayer</b> <i>(in unison)</i> As we turn to the Word written to evoke faith, we want to hear more than words. May we experience the presence of the One whom death could not contain. Grant forgiveness and peace, and equip us to share His Word. Amen.	

Acts 7:55-60; 1Peter 2:2-10 Lectionary Scripture

#### Anthem

John 14:1-14 Gospel

\*All who are able, PLEASE STAND

#### Message

#### **Sacrament of Holy Communion**

\*Closing Hymn "Onward, Christian Soldiers"

**Onward, Christian soldiers!** Marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus Going on before. Christ, the royal Master, Leads against the foe; Forward into battle, See his banners go!

(Chorus) **Onward. Christian soldiers!** Marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus Going on before.

At the sign of triumph Satan's host doth flee; On. then. Christian soldiers. On to victory. Hell's foundations quiver At the shout of praise; Brothers, lift your voices, Loud your anthems raise.

#### Chorus

Like a mighty army Moves the Church of God: Brothers, we are treading Where the Saints have trod. We are not divided: All one body we: One in hope and doctrine, One in charity.

#### Chorus

Onward, then, ye people; Join our happy throng. Blend with ours your voices In the triumph song:

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

Someone in the past gave a form of this to me, in bookmark form. I have held it dear to my heart, and have changed a few words, and give to you ALL. God's Blessings, PC

Glory, laud, and honor Unto Christ, the King. This through countless ages Men and angels sing.

#### **Chorus**

#### \*Taking Out the Light of Christ

Organist: Priscilla Andreae Flutist: Natalie Lawrence Liturgist: Steve Satterlee Associate Conf. Minister: Rev. Tom Norwalk Pastor: Colleen Lawrence

### **Old Friends**

Our friendship is precious to me because our closeness never ends We don't have to talk everyday to be good friends.

We can be ourselves with each other exactly the way we feel that day happy or sad, it doesn't matter we're accepted with love anyway.

There's nothing I can't tell you with you my heart is real and true no need to hide all my faults from ALL my Ol' friends

Many folk may come and go into my life and out again BUT God gave you to me because NO ONE can take the place of an Ol' Friend like YOU!