



**For if ye forgive men their trespasses,
your heavenly Father will also
forgive you:**

**But if ye forgive not men their trespasses,
neither will your Father
forgive your trespasses.**

Matthew 6:14-15

Friedens Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Pastor Henry Koch

Welcome to Worship!

Worship Services

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. | Tuesday: *See Church Calendar* | Saturday: Noon

Prayer Before Worship

O ascended Lord, thank you for the gift of pastors and teachers to feed your flock. Enable them, by the power of the Spirit, to stand firm in the midst of the trials and stresses of this world. Give them the courage to speak your Word faithfully and the grace to reflect your love in their actions.

Amen.

Notes About Your Visit

- **Worship programs are available in large print.** They are located in the basket with the regular programs.
- **Restrooms** are in the north hallway, by the double glass entry doors, as well as in the basement. **The church park has restrooms north of the Pavilion.**

THE SERVICE, *Setting One*

October 3 & 4, 2026

HYMN

PRAYER

Congregation Sings Verses 1-4

409

Come, My Soul, with Every Care



1 Come, my soul, with ev - 'ry care; Je - sus loves
2 You are com - ing to a king— Large pe - ti -
3 With my bur - den I be - gin: Lord, re - move
4 Lord, your rest to me im - part; Take pos - ses -
5 While I am a pil - grim here, Let your love



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this load of sin; Let your blood, for sin - ners
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my spir - it cheer. As my guide, my guard, my



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such, None can ev - er ask too much.
spilt, Set my con - science free from guilt.
tain And with - out a ri - val reign.
friend, Lead me to my jour - ney's end.

6 Show me what I am to do;
Ev'ry hour my strength renew.
Let me live a life of faith;
Let me die your people's death.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, abr., alt.

Tune: VIENNA (77 77) Justin H. Knecht, 1752–1817.

Stand

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

CONFESSION

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Therefore, as a called servant of Christ, and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.



HYMN

PRAYER

Congregation Sings Verses 5-6

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The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, you call us to work in your kingdom and leave no one standing idle. Help us to order our lives by your wisdom and to serve you in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be Seated

First Reading

Ezekiel 3:17-21 (Evangelical Heritage Version)

¹⁷Son of man, I have appointed you as a watchman for the house of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, you must give them a warning from me. ¹⁸When I announce to a wicked man, “You shall surely die,” if you do not warn him, and you do not speak up to warn the wicked man against his wicked way so that he can live, then that wicked man will die because of his guilt, and I will hold you

responsible for his blood. ¹⁹But you, if you warn the wicked man, and he does not turn from his wickedness or from his wicked way, he shall die because of his guilt, but you will have saved your own life. ²⁰Or when a righteous man turns away from his righteousness and becomes unrighteous, and I place a stumbling block in front of him, he shall die. If you have not warned him, he shall die in his sin, and his righteous deeds which he had done will not be remembered, and I will hold you responsible for his blood. ²¹But you, if you do warn that righteous man not to sin, and he does not sin, he shall certainly live because he heeded the warning, and you will have saved your own life.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34



Taste and see that the LORD is good;*
blessed are they who take refuge in him.

The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous*
and his ears are attentive to their cry.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him,*
and he delivers them.

Refrain

The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them;*
he delivers them from all their troubles.

The LORD is close to the brokenhearted*
and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

The LORD redeems his servants;*
no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

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Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 3:1-5 (EHV)

So, when we could not stand it any longer, we thought it best to remain behind in Athens alone, ²and we sent Timothy, our brother and coworker for God in the gospel of Christ. We sent him to strengthen and encourage you in your faith, ³so that no one will be shaken by these trials, for you know well that we are destined for this. ⁴In fact, even when we were with you, we told you ahead of time that we were going to suffer, and it happened just that way, as you know. ⁵This is why, when I could not stand it any longer, I sent to find out about your faith, because I was afraid that somehow the Tempter had tempted you and our labor might have been for nothing.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

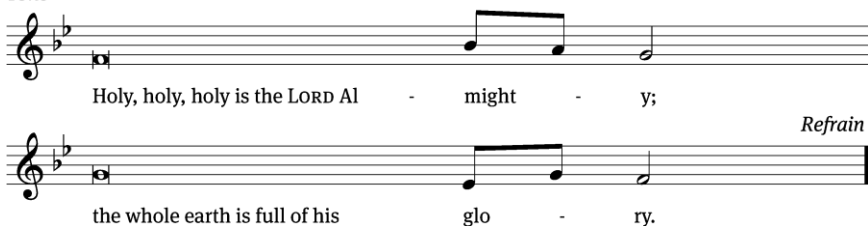
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Refrain



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Gospel

Matthew 6:5-15 (EHV) How to Pray

⁵“Whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites. They love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on the street corners so that they may be seen by people. Amen I tell you: They have received their reward. ⁶But whenever you pray, go into your private room, close your door, and pray to your Father who is unseen. And your Father, who sees what others cannot see, will reward you.

⁷“And when you pray, do not babble like the heathen, since they think that they will be heard because of their many words. ⁸However do not be like them, because your Father knows what you need before you ask him. ⁹Therefore pray like this: ‘Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. ¹⁰Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹Give us today our daily bread. ¹²Forgive us our

debts, as we also forgive our debtors. ¹³Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.'

¹⁴"Indeed if you forgive people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. ¹⁵But if you do not forgive people their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be Seated

CHILDREN'S LESSON

Hymn of the Day



719 Lord, Teach Us How to Pray



- 1 Lord, teach us how to pray as once the Twelve you taught,
- 2 Lord, teach us how to pray when cares dis - tract the mind.
- 3 Lord, teach us how to pray; re - kin - dle faith's bright flame,
- 4 Lord, teach us how to pray; re - mind us day by day



for we can nev - er find the words to praise you as we ought.
Help us to wait in qui - et - ness, a calm - er spir - it find.
un - til our faith leaps up a - gain to speak and praise your name.
that you wait ea - ger - ly to hear be - fore we think to pray.

SERMON

STAND

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and
became fully human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the
Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of
the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the
world to come. Amen.

BE SEATED

OFFERING (Kindly fill out the red Friendship Registers. Thanks.)

Prayer of the Church

MISSION OF THE CHURCH

Eternal God and Father, we give you thanks for the blessings we share as members of your holy Church, for your gracious Word and sacraments, for opportunities to worship and to grow in faith and knowledge, for occasions to serve and be served, for fellowship with believers in our congregation and in our synod.

Help us to rejoice in these blessings, dear Lord, and to use them faithfully.

Jesus Christ, Lord of the Church, you give grace to your people by calling us to be your witnesses in the world. Open our eyes to see the great and noble mission that lies before us. In the hurting eyes of the lonely, in the pained eyes of the sick, and in the searching eyes of the lost, help us to see your face, O Jesus, and to serve others as we would serve you.

Awaken us to the opportunities you give to proclaim your message of love.

Holy Spirit, giver of life, through Word and sacrament bestow on us the wisdom and power we need to witness clearly and to act boldly. Help us to speak the truth in love, to give the reason for the hope we have, and to conduct ourselves with gentleness and respect.

Set our hearts on fire as we work and witness for Christ.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray for a family member, an acquaintance, a neighbor, or a friend who does not believe in you, or whose faith is weak or troubled.

Silent prayer.

Bless the Church with men and women who are willing to proclaim your Word in places where we cannot go. Keep them and their loved ones in your care, and let nothing hinder their work. By the power of the gospel, restore their spirits each day, so that they do not lose heart as they serve us and others.

Move us to support them with our sincere prayers and generous offerings.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Wherever your Word is proclaimed, O Lord, grant it success. Let your kingdom come to us and others, so that we and many more might join the assembly of saints and angels to sing your praise forever.

Savior of all, hear our prayer and help us in our mission. Amen.

Participation in the Lord's Supper

At Friedens Lutheran Church, we believe that participation in the Lord's Supper is both a confession of faith and an expression of our unity in that faith. When you commune with us, you are saying that you agree with our teachings about the Lord's Supper and all the other teachings of the Bible. If you have never communed with us before, we ask that you speak with our Pastor to learn how you can establish a communing fellowship with us. We are eager to enjoy that fellowship with you!

The Sacrament

Preface





Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, *who lives and reigns forever in perfect unity with you and the Holy Spirit as one God and one Lord.*

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na, ho -



san - na, ho-san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he,



bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho-san - na, ho-san-na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;

have mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,

you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;

grant us your peace. A - men.

Distribution

410 Our Father, Who from Heaven Above



1 Our Fa - ther, who from heav'n a - bove
 2 Your name be hal - lowed. Help us, Lord,
 3 Your king - dom come, we hum - bly pray,
 4 Your gra - cious will on earth be done
 5 Give us to - day our dai - ly bread,



Bids all of us to live in love
 In pu - ri - ty to keep your Word,
 That Christ may rule in us to - day
 Just as in heav'n a - round your throne,
 And let us all be clothed and fed.



As mem - bers of one fam - i - ly
 That to the glo - ry of your name
 And that your Ho - ly Spir - it bring
 That pa - tient - ly we may o - bey,
 From hard - ship, war, and earth - ly strife,



And pray to you in un - i - ty,
 We walk be - fore you free from blame.
 Still more to wor - ship Christ as King.
 Through - out our lives all that you say.
 From sick - ness, fam - ine, spare our life.



Teach us no thought - less words to say,
 Let no false doc - trine us per - vert;
 Break Sa - tan's pow'r, de - feat his rage;
 Curb sin - ful flesh and ev - 'ry ill
 Let self - ish - ness and wor - ry cease



But from our in - most hearts to pray.
 All poor, de - lud - ed souls con - vert.
 Pre - serve your Church from age to age.
 That sets it self a - gainst your will.
 That we may live in god - ly peace.

- 6 Forgive our sins, Lord, we implore,
That they may trouble us no more;
We, too, will gladly those forgive
Who hurt us by the way they live.
Help us in our community
To serve each other willingly.
- 7 Into temptation lead us not.
When evil foes against us plot
And vex our souls on ev'ry hand,
Oh, give us strength that we may stand
Firm in the faith, a mighty host,
Through comfort of the Holy Ghost.
- 8 From evil, Lord, deliver us;
The times and days are perilous.
Redeem us from eternal death,
And, when we yield our dying breath,
Console us, grant us calm release,
And take our souls to you in peace.
- 9 Amen, that is, it shall be so.
Make strong our faith that we may know
That we may doubt not but believe
What here we ask we shall receive.
Thus in your name and at your Word
We say, "Amen. Oh, hear us, Lord!"

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. composite.

Tune: VATER UNSER HIM HIMMELREICH, DER DU (88 88 88) attr. Martin Luther, 1483–1546.

Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
His mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.
Amen.

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CLOSING HYMN

Congregation Sings Verse 3

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O Lord, We Praise You



1 O Lord, we praise you, bless you, and a - dore you, In thanks-
 2 Your ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en, Life to
 3 May God be - stow on us his grace and fa - vor To please

giv - ing bow be - fore you. Here with your bod - y
 win for us in heav - en. No great - er love than
 him with our be - hav - ior And live to - geth - er

and your blood you nour - ish Our weak souls that they may
 this to you could bind us; May this feast of that re -
 here in love and u - nion, Cher - ish - ing our blest com -

flour - ish. O Lord, have mer - cy! May your bod - y,
 mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy! Lord, your love and
 mu - nion. O Lord, have mer - cy! Let not your good

Lord, born of Mar - y, That our sins and sor - rows
 kind - ness did move you; Let your sup - per move us
 Spir - it for - sake us; Grant that heav'n - ly - mind - ed

did car - ry, And your blood for us plead In all
 to love you. All our debt you have paid; Peace with
 he make us. Give your Church, Lord, to see Days of

tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!
 God once more is made. O Lord, have mer - cy!
 peace and u - ni - ty. O Lord, have mer - cy!

Text: German folk hymn, 15th century, st. 1; Martin Luther, 1483–1546, st. 2-3; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, St. Louis, 1941, alt.

Tune: GOTT SEI GELOBET UND GEBENEDEIET (PM) *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, Wittenberg, 1524, alt.

Last Week's Attendance

Saturday (09/26/26): 24

Sunday (09/27/26): 49

Total: 73

What's Coming Up at Friedens?

Sunday, October 4	Worship (Communion) Coffee Time Sunday School OUTREACH MEETING SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER MEETING	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 11:15 a.m.
Monday, October 5 OFFICE CLOSED		
Tuesday, October 6 OFFICE CLOSED	Worship at Mala Strana Worship	11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 7 OFFICE CLOSED Pastor's "Drop-In" Consultation Times: 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. 7:15 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Bible Study Games 5 & 6 Catechism 7 & 8 Catechism	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 4:15 p.m. 5:40 p.m.
Thursday, October 8 OFFICE CLOSED	LADIES AID MEETING	1:00 p.m.
Friday, October 9		
Saturday, October 10	Men's Bible Study Worship	8:00 a.m. Noon
Sunday, October 11	Worship Sunday School Bible Study	9:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m. 10:15 a.m.
Monday, October 12		
Tuesday, October 13		

USHER SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 2026

DATE	TEENS		ADULTS	
October 4, 2026	Mason Storlie	Jackson Storlie	David Tietz	Linda Jandt
October 11, 2026	Mikkala Quickle	Kameron Quickle	Roger M. Meyer	Eric Schanus
October 18, 2026	Corey Schanus	Kaden Holicky	Keith Barta	Scott Gilsrud
October 25, 2026	Mason Storlie	Jackson Storlie	Doug Holicky	Troy Rabenberg

October is here already!



Do you have possibly two hours of time to host a Trailblazer event--a skill to teach, a treat to share, a small part of the Bible that you'd like to read to children?

Adult Members: Please sign up on the wall above the literature table in the Welcome Area to host an event for our precious children. We are hoping to have at least one event per month (September-May) for the kids to look forward to. Please see Church Mouse, and she can walk you through the process. We can reserve the Fellowship Hall and/or Church Park for your event. All you have to do is come up with your event idea, or skill to teach, bring a treat and read a segment of the Bible to the kids.

IDEAS

HAYRIDE, BONFIRE,
MOVIE NIGHT W/POPCORN OR PIZZA,
BOWLING, HIKING, ROLLERSKATING,
LEARN HOW TO MAKE, COOK OR BAKE SOMETHING,
SEW A BUTTON ON A SHIRT, ETC.

Please let Heidi Gilsrud know, and she'll help you sign up and get the word out. Thank you.