

When he had received the drink,
Jesus said,

“It is finished.”

With that, he bowed his head
and gave up his spirit.

John 19:30



Friedens Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Welcome to Worship!

Regular Worship Services

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

Prayer Before Worship

O God, my Father in heaven, bless every effort to establish peace among the nations of the world. Give wisdom and strength to those who lead, guide those who make decisions, and transform the hearts of people everywhere to exalt peace above war, justice above gain, and honor above glory.

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.**

Good Friday

April 3, 2026



(Congregation
Parts are in Bold)

Opening Evening Song

The Lord Al - might - y grant us a qui - et
night and peace at the last.
A - men.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, O Most High,
to her - ald your love in the morn - ing,
your truth at the close of day.

HYMN

LENT

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Jesus, I Will Ponder Now



1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now On your ho - ly
 2 Make me see your great dis - tress, An - guish, and af -
 3 Yet, O Lord, not thus a - lone Make me see your
 4 If my sins give me a - harm And my con - science
 5 Grant that I your pas - sion view With re - pent - ant



pas - sion; With your Spir - it me en - dow
 flic - tion, Bonds and stripes and wretch - ed - ness
 pas - sion, But its cause to me make known
 grieve me, Let your cross my fear dis - arm;
 griev - ing. Let me not bring shame to you



For such med - i - ta - tion. Grant that I in love
 And your cru - ci - fix - ion; Make me see how scourge
 And its ter - mi - na - tion. Ah! I al - so and
 Peace of con - science give me. Help me see for - give -
 By un - ho - ly liv - ing. How could I re - fuse



and faith May the im - age cher - ish Of your suf -
 and rod, Spear and nails did wound you, How for them
 my sin Wrought your deep af - flic - tion; This in - deed
 ness won By your ho - ly pas - sion. If for me
 to shun Ev - 'ry sin - ful pleas - ure Since for me



f'ring, pain, and death That I may not per - ish.
 you died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned you.
 the cause has been Of your cru - ci - fix - ion.
 he slays his Son, God must have com - pas - sion!
 God's on - ly Son Suf - fered with - out meas - ure?

6 Graciously my faith renew;
 Help me bear my crosses,
 Learning humbleness from you,
 Peace mid pain and losses.
 May I give you love for love!
 Hear me, O my Savior,
 That I may in heav'n above
 Sing your praise forever.

Text: Sigmund von Birken, 1626-81; tr. August Crull, 1845-1923, alt.
 Tune: JESU KREUZ, LEIDEN UND PEIN (76 76 D Trochaic) Melchior Vulpius, c. 1570-1615, alt.

CONFESSION OF SINS

Our help is in the name of the Lord.
The Maker of heaven and earth.

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for personal reflection

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
**we have sinned against you
in our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds,
and in all that we have not done.
Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Deliver and restore us, that we may rest in peace.**


By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in him we are forgiven. Let us rest in his peace until the rising of the sun, when we shall serve him in newness of life.
Amen.



Psalm

22A O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Alternate Refrain



O sa-cred head, now wound-ed, with grief and shame weighed down.

Tone



My God, my God, why have you for-/saken me?

Why are you so far from saving me, so far from my cries of /anguish?

I am a worm and /not a man,

scorned by everyone, despised by the /people.

All who see me /mock me;

they hurl insults, shaking /their heads.

“He trusts in the /LORD,” they say,

“let the LORD /rescue him.” *Refrain*

All my bones are /on display;

you lay me in the /dust of death.

A pack of villains en-/circles me;

they pierce my hands /and my feet.

They divide my clothes a-/mong them

and cast lots for my /garment.

But you, LORD, do not be /far from me.

You are my strength; come quickly to /help me.

Glory be to the Father and /to the Son

and to the Holy /Spirit,

as it was in the be-/ginning,

is now, and will be forever. /Amen. *Refrain*

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Scripture Reading

The Passion History of Our Lord Jesus Christ

LESSON SEVEN

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathaea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews. Joseph of Arimathaea, a prominent member of the council, was a good and righteous man. He had not agreed with their plan and action. He was looking forward to the kingdom of God. He boldly went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.

Pilate was surprised that Jesus was already dead. He summoned the centurion and asked him if Jesus had been dead for a long time. When he learned from the centurion that it was so, he granted the body to Joseph. Joseph bought a linen cloth, came, and took Jesus' body away. Nicodemus, who earlier had come to Jesus at night, also came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-two pounds.^a

They took Jesus' body and bound it with linen strips along with the spices, in accord with Jewish burial customs.

There was a garden at the place where Jesus was crucified. And in the garden was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid. So they laid Jesus there, because it was the Jewish Preparation Day, and the tomb was near. Joseph took the body and laid it in his own new tomb that he had cut in the rock. He rolled a large stone over the tomb's entrance and left.

The women who had come with Jesus from Galilee followed after Joseph, and they observed the tomb and how Jesus' body was laid there. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Jesus were watching where the body was laid.⁵⁶ Then they returned and prepared spices and perfumes. On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.^b

On the next day, which was the day after the Preparation Day, the chief priests and Pharisees gathered in the presence of Pilate and said, "Sir, we remembered what that deceiver said while he was still alive: 'After three days I will rise again.' So give a command that the tomb be made secure until the third day. Otherwise his disciples might steal his body and tell the people, 'He is risen from the dead.' And this last deception will be worse than the first."

Pilate said to them, "You have a guard. Go, make it as secure as you know how." So they went and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone and posting a guard.^c

^a Literally *one hundred litras*. Greek *litra* is the Roman pound (327.45 grams or 11.55 ounces, by weight).

^b Matthew 27:57-61; Mark 14:42-47; Luke 23:50-56; John 19:38-42

^c Matthew 27:62-66

HYMN

PRAYER

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Our Father, Who from Heaven Above



1 Our Fa - ther, who from heav'n a - bove
8. From ev- il, Lord, de- li- ver us;
9. A- men, that is, it shall be so.



Bids all of us to live in love
The times and days are pe- ri- lous.
Make strong our faith that we may know



As mem - bers of one fam - i - ly
Re- deem us from e- ter- nal death,
That we may doubt not but be- lieve



And pray to you in un - i - ty,
And, when we yield our dy- ing breath,
What here we ask we shall re- ceive.



Teach us no thought - less words to say,
Con- sole us, grant us calm re- lease,
Thus in your name and at your Word



But from our in - most hearts to pray.
And take our souls to you in peace.
We say, "A- men. Oh, hear us, Lord!"

SERMON: “But deliver us from evil.”

Text: John 17:15 (EHV) I am not asking that you take them out of the world, but that you protect them from the Evil One.

Offering (Please write your name in the little red Friendship Registers. Thank you.)

HYMN

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Upon the Cross Extended



1 Up - on the cross ex - tend - ed, See, world, your Lord sus -
2 How God at our trans - gres - sion To an - ger gives ex -
3 'Tis I who should be smit - ten, My doom should here be
4 A crown of thorns you're wear - ing, My shame and scorn you're
5 Your cords of love, my Sav - ior, Bind me to you for -



pend - ed; Your Sav - ior yields his breath. The Prince of
pres - sion, How loud his thun - ders roll, How fear - ful -
writ - ten; Bound hand and foot in hell. The fet - ters
bear - ing That I might ran - somed be. My bonds - man,
ev - er; I am no long - er mine. To you I



life from heav - en Him - self has free - ly giv - en
ly he smites him, How sore - ly he re - quites him—
and the scourg - ing, The floods a - round you surg - ing,
ev - er will - ing, My place with pa - tience fill - ing,
glad - ly ten - der All that my life can ren - der



To shame and blows and bit - ter death.
All this your suf - f'rings teach my soul.
'Tis I who have de - served them well.
From sin and guilt has made me free.
And all I have to you re - sign.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76, abr.; tr. John Kelly, 1833–90, alt.

Tune: O WELT, ICH MUSS DICH LASSEN (776 778) Heinrich Isaac, c. 1450–1517, alt.

Prayer



Hear my prayer, O Lord;



lis - ten to my cry.



Keep me as the ap - ple of your eye;



hide me in the shad - ow of your wings.



In right - eous - ness I shall see you;



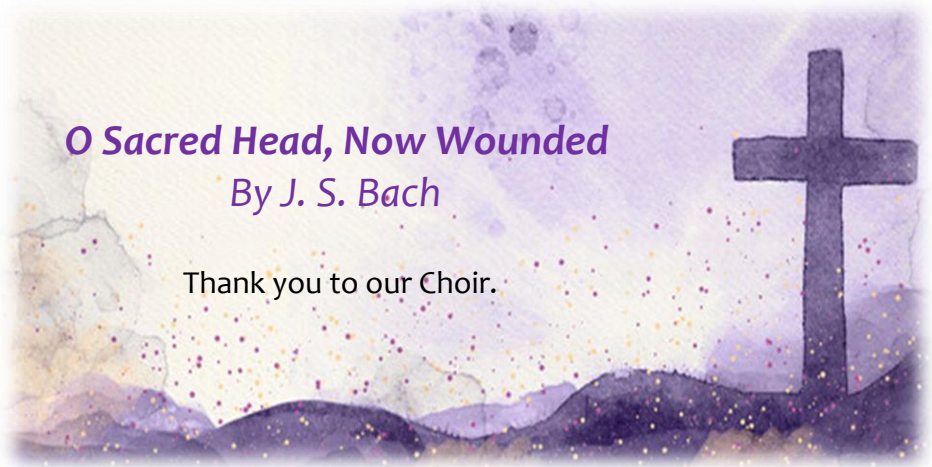
when I a - wake, your pres - ence will give me joy.

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GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER

THE 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.



Let us praise the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

BLESSING

The Almighty and merciful Lord—
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—
bless us and keep us.
Amen.

LENT

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O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



1 O sa - cred head, now wound - ed, With grief and
 2 Men mock and taunt and jeer you, They smite your
 3 Now from your cheeks has van - ished Their col - or,
 4 My bur - den in your pas - sion, Lord, you have
 5 What lan - guage shall I bor - row To thank you,



shame weighed down, Now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed,
 coun - te - nance, Though might - y worlds shall fear you
 once so fair; From your red lips is ban - ished
 borne for me, For it was my trans - gres - sion,
 dear - est Friend, For this, your dy - ing sor - row,



With thorns your on - ly crown, O sa - cred head, no
 And flee be - fore your glance. How pale you are with
 The splen - dor that was there. Grim death with cru - el
 My shame, on Cal - va - ry. I cast me down be -
 Your pit - y with - out end? Oh, make me yours for -



glo - ry Now from your face does shine; Yet, though de -
 an - guish, With sore a - buse and scorn! Your eyes with
 rig - or Has robbed you of your life; Thus you have
 fore you; Wrath is my right - ful lot. Have mer - cy,
 ev - er, And keep me strong and true; Lord, let me



spised and go - ry, I joy to call you mine.
 pain now lan - guish That once were bright as morn!
 lost your vig - or, Your strength, in this sad strife.
 I im - plore you; Re - deem - er, spurn me not!
 nev - er, nev - er Out - live my love for you.

6 My Savior, then be near me
 When death is at my door,
 And let your presence cheer me;
 Forsake me nevermore!
 When soul and body languish,
 Oh, leave me not alone,
 But take away my anguish
 By virtue of your own!

7 Lord, be my consolation,
 My shield when I must die;
 Remind me of your passion
 When my last hour draws nigh.
 My eyes will then behold you,
 Upon your cross will dwell;
 My heart will then enfold you—
 Who dies in faith dies well!

What's Coming Up at Friedens?

<u>Last Week's Attendance</u>	
Wednesday (03/25/26):	33
Saturday (03/28/26):	22
Sunday (03/29/26):	<u>76</u>
Total: 131	

Sunday, April 5 HAPPY EASTER!	Easter Sunrise Service (Communion) Easter Breakfast Easter Worship Service (Communion)	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.
Monday, April 6		
Tuesday, April 7	Worship at Mala Strana Worship Choir	11:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:15 p.m.
Wednesday, April 8 Pastor's "Drop-In" Consultation Times: 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.-4:00 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, April 9	LADIES AID MEETING EXEC. COUNCIL MEETING ELDERS MEETING	1:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. After Exec. Council Meeting
Friday, April 10		
Saturday, April 11	Men's Bible Study Worship	8:00 a.m. Noon
Sunday, April 12	Worship Sunday School Bible Study OUTREACH MEETING SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER MEETING	9:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 11:15 a.m.
Monday, April 13		
Tuesday, April 14		

Spring Clean-Up Day at Friedens

Many hands make
light work.



April 18
9 a.m.

Please remember to wear protective clothing/gloves,
and bring any yard tools that you prefer.

Everyone is welcome to help clean up the church property!

USHER SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 2026

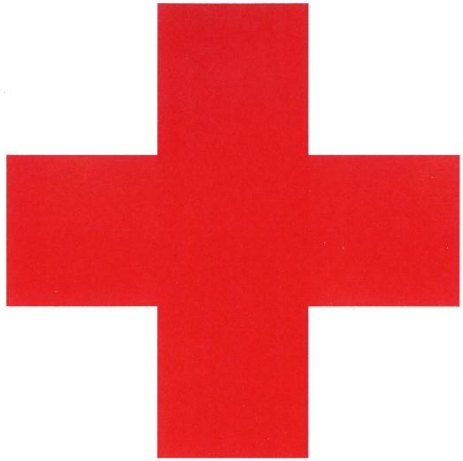
DATE	TEENS		ADULTS	
April 3, 7:00 p.m.	Josef Jirik	Ethan Paler	Gary Grassmann	Bruce Nelson
April 5, 7:00 a.m.	Sam Workman	Ruth Workman	Jeff Heine	Joe Stahl
April 5, 9:00 a.m.	Mikkala Quickle	Kameron Quickle	Dean Cornelius	Willard Rancour
April 12, 9:00 a.m.	Lucas Holicky	Mason Storlie	David Tietz	Linda Jandt
April 19, 9:00 a.m.	Josef Jirik	Ethan Paler	Roger M. Meyer	Eric Schanus
April 26, 9:00 a.m.	Sam Workman	Ruth Workman	Keith Barta	Scott Gilsrud

Thank you for serving as an Usher, as you guide and help worshipers in God's House!

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American Red Cross



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New Prague Community
Friedens Evangelical Lutheran
Church

Fellowship Hall
28983 181st Ave
New Prague, MN 56071

Monday, May 4, 2026
1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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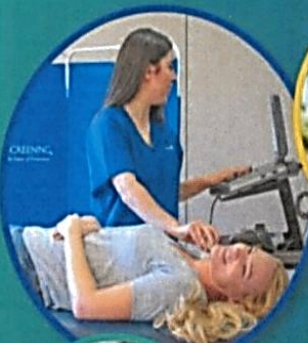
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Where: Friedens Evangelical Lutheran Church

When: May 11, 2026



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