

*Therefore in the resurrection
whose wife shall she be
of the seven ? . . .*

Matthew 22:28 (KJV)



Friedens Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Welcome to Worship!

Worship Services

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

Prayer Before Worship

Jesus, my risen Lord, you commanded your Church to preach the gospel to all nations. Prosper the work of missionaries sent out in your name. Protect them and their families from illness and danger. Give them joy in proclaiming the good news of salvation to people everywhere.
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

September 19 & 20, 2026

HYMN

607 Ten Thousand Reasons



Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;



wor-ship his ho - ly name. Sing like nev - er be-fore,



O my soul; I'll wor - ship your ho - ly name.



- 1 The sun comes up, it's a new day dawn - ing; —
- 2 You're rich in love, and you're slow to an - ger. Your
- 3 And on that day when my strength is fail - ing, the



it's time to sing your — song a - gain. What - ev - er may
name — is — great, and your heart is kind. For all — your
end — draws — near, and my time has come; still — my



pass, — and what - ev - er lies be - fore me,
good-ness, I will keep — on — sing - ing—
soul will sing your praise — un - end - ing—



Refrain

let me be sing - ing when the eve - ning comes.
ten thou-sand rea - sons for my heart to find.
ten thou-sand years and then for - ev - er - more.

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

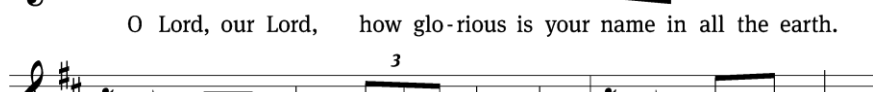
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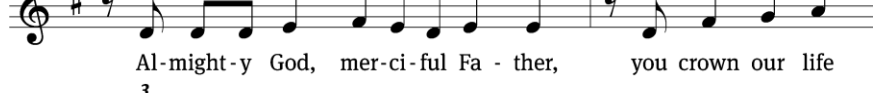
O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.

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Al-might-y God, mer-ci-ful Fa - ther, you crown our life

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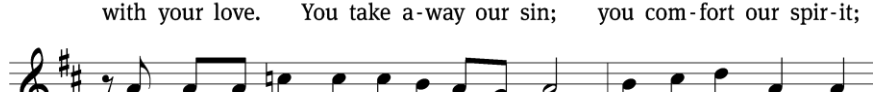


with your love. You take a-way our sin; you com-fort our spir-it;

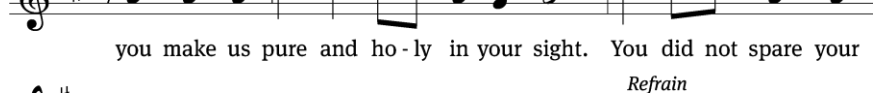


you make us pure and ho-ly in your sight. You did not spare your

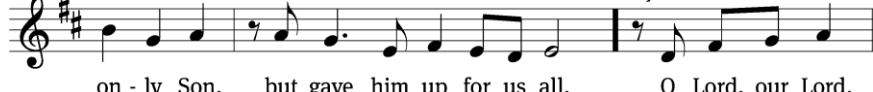
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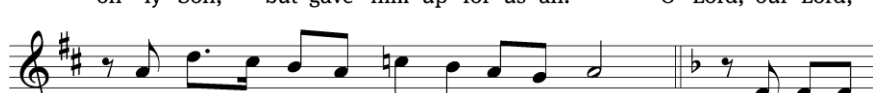
on - ly Son, but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,



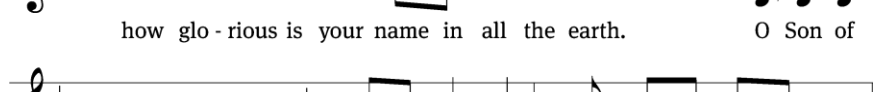
how glo-rious is your name in all the earth. O Son of



God, e - ter-nal Word of the Fa - ther, you came to live with us;

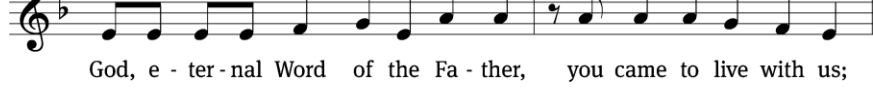


you made your Fa - ther known; you washed us from our sins in



your own blood. You are the King of glo-ry; you are the Lord!

Refrain



O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.

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The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be Seated

First Reading

2 Kings 5:8-19 (Evangelical Heritage Version)

⁸But when Elisha, the man of God, heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king: “Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, and he will know that there is a prophet in Israel.”

⁹So Na’aman went with his horses and chariots and stopped in front of the door of Elisha’s house. ¹⁰But Elisha sent a messenger out to him to say, “Go and wash seven times in the Jordan. Then your flesh will be restored and you will be clean.”

¹¹But Na’aman was angry and he left, saying, “Look, I said to myself, ‘He will certainly come out and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God and wave his hand over the place, and I will be cured of the leprosy!’ ¹²Aren’t the Abana and the Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of

Israel? Couldn't I wash in them and be cleansed?" So he turned and went away in a burning rage.

¹³But his servants approached and spoke to him. They said, "My father, if the prophet had told you to do some great thing, would you not do it? How much more when he says to you, 'Wash and be clean'?"

¹⁴So he went down and dipped in the Jordan seven times, just as the man of God had said. Then his flesh was restored like the flesh of a small child, and he was clean. ¹⁵Then he and his whole escort went back to the man of God. He stood in front of Elisha and said, "To be sure, now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now accept a gift from your servant."

¹⁶But Elisha said, "As surely as the LORD lives, in whose presence I stand, I will not take anything." Even though Na'aman urged him to accept something, he refused.

¹⁷Then Na'aman said, "If you do not want anything, please give me, your servant, as much dirt as two donkeys can carry, for your servant will never again burn incense or sacrifice to other gods, but only to the LORD. ¹⁸But may the LORD forgive your servant this one thing: When my master goes into the house of Rimmon to bow down there and he supports himself on my arm, then I too have to bow down in the house of Rimmon. When I bow down in the house of Rimmon, may the LORD forgive your servant this one thing."

¹⁹Then Elisha said to him, "Go in peace."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

1 John 3:1-9 (EHV)

See the kind of love the Father has given us that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are! The world does not know us, because it did not know him. ²Dear friends, we are children of God now, but what we will be has not yet been revealed. We know that when he is revealed we will be like him, and we will see him as he really is. ³Everyone who has this hope purifies himself just as Jesus is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin also commits lawlessness. Sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he appeared in order to take away our sins and in him there is no sin. ⁶Anyone who remains in him does not sin. The person who keeps on sinning has not seen him or known him.

⁷Dear children, do not let anyone deceive you. Whoever does what is right is righteous just as Jesus is righteous. ⁸The one who continues to sin is of the Devil, because the Devil has been sinning from the beginning. This is why the Son of God appeared: to destroy the works of the Devil. ⁹Nobody who has been born of God continues to commit sin, because God's seed remains in him. He cannot go on sinning, because he has been born of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation - Setting 1

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Matthew 22:23-33 (EHV)

²³That same day some Sadducees (who say there is no resurrection) came to him. They asked him a question: ²⁴“Teacher, Moses said, ‘If a man dies without having children, his brother should marry his wife and raise up offspring for his brother.’ ²⁵Now there were seven brothers among us. The first one died after he married her, and since he had no children, he left his wife to his brother. ²⁶It was the same with the second brother, the third, and all the way to the seventh. ²⁷Last of all, the woman died. ²⁸So then, in the resurrection, whose wife will she be of the seven, since they all married her?”

²⁹“You are mistaken,” Jesus replied, “since you do not know the Scriptures or the power of God. ³⁰In fact, in the resurrection people neither marry nor are given in marriage. Instead they are like the angels of God in heaven. ³¹And concerning the resurrection of the dead, have you never read what was spoken to you by God: ³²‘I am the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob’? He is not the God of the dead, but of the living.”

³³When the crowds heard his answer, they were amazed at his teaching.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be Seated

CHILDREN'S LESSON

Hymn of the Day

881 Sing with All the Saints in Glory



1 Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, sing the
 2 Oh, what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing all that
 3 Life e - ter - nal! Heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus

res - ur - rec - tion song! Death and sor - row, earth's dark
 eye has yet per - ceived! Ho - liest hearts for a - ges
 lives who once was dead. Shout with joy, O death - less

sto - ry, to the for - mer days be - long.
 plead - ing nev - er that full joy con - ceived.
 voic - es! Child of God, lift up your head!

All a - round the clouds are break - ing; soon the
 God has prom - ised, Christ pre - pares it; there on
 Life e - ter - nal! Oh, what won - ders crowd on

storms of time shall cease; in God's like - ness we a -
 high our wel - come waits. Ev - 'ry hum - ble spir - it
 faith; what joy un - known, when, a - mid earth's clos - ing

wak - en, know - ing ev - er - last - ing peace.
 shares it, Christ has passed th'e - ter - nal gates.
 thun - ders, saints shall stand be - fore the throne!

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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

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

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: 'O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;'. The second staff continues: 'have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,'. The third staff continues: 'you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.'. The fourth staff continues: 'O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;'. The fifth staff concludes with: 'grant us your peace. A - - - men.'.

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

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I Lay My Sins on Jesus



1 I lay my sins on Je - sus, The spot - less
2 I lay my wants on Je - sus; All full - ness
3 I rest my soul on Je - sus, This wea - ry
4 I long to be like Je - sus: Meek, lov - ing,



Lamb of God; He bears them all and frees us From
dwells in him. He heals all my dis - eas - es; My
soul of mine. His right hand me em - brac - es; I
low - ly, mild; I long to be like Je - sus, The



the ac - curs - ed load. I bring my guilt to Je - sus
soul he does re - deem. I lay my griefs on Je - sus,
in his arms re - cline. I love the name of Je - sus,
Fa - ther's ho - ly child. I long to be with Je - sus



To wash my crim - son stains White in his
My bur - dens and my cares; He from them
Im - man - uel, Christ, the Lord; Like fra - grance
A - mid the heav'n - ly throng To sing with



blood most pre - cious Till not a spot re - mains.
all re - leas - es; He all my sor - rows shares.
on the breez - es His name a - broad is poured.
saints his prais - es, To learn the an - gels' song.

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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.



CLOSING HYMN



908 Go Forth and Preach the Gospel

1 Go forth and preach the gos - pel to all who are in need.
3 Go forth and preach the gos - pel; go spread the news a - broad!

As wit - ness to the Sav - ior, go teach by word and deed.
Pro - claim to ev - 'ry na - tion the great - ness of our God.

The Spir - it is up - on us, and sends us to de - clare
The Spir - it is up - on us, that all may un - der - stand

good news of God's for - give - ness to peo - ple ev - 'ry - where.
the prom - ise of sal - va - tion re - vealed to ev - 'ry land.

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What's Coming Up at Friedens?

Last Week's Attendance
 Saturday (09/12/26): 25
 Sunday (09/13/26): 55
 Total: 80

Sunday, September 20	Worship (Communion) Sunday School Bible Study	9:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m. 10:15 a.m.
Monday, September 21	American Red Cross Blood Drive	1:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, September 22	Worship at Mala Strana Worship	11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, September 23 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, September 24		
Friday, September 25		
Saturday, September 26	Men's Bible Study Worship	8:00 a.m. Noon
Sunday, September 27	Worship Sunday School Bible Study	9:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m. 10:15 a.m.
Monday, September 28		
Tuesday, September 29	Choir	6:30 p.m.

USHER SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

DATE	TEENS		ADULTS	
September 20, 2026	Mikkala Quickle	Kameron Quickle	Jeff Heine	Joe Stahl
September 27, 2026	Corey Schanus	Kaden Holicky	Dean Cornelius	Willard Rancour

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



First-Thursday Dinner!
Oktoberfest!



**all are invited to
attend Oktoberfest!**

Thursday, October 1 (Fellowship Hall)
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Hosted by: Terry & Linda Jandt;
Will & Brenda Rancour

**Menu: Pork, Spaetzle & Gravy,
Sauerkraut, Fried Apples & Desserts**

Free-will offering

**Feel free to
bring a dessert!**





**MN Valley Lutheran Women's
Missionary Society Fall Rally**

ATHENS IS ON MY MIND!

Saturday, October 3, 2026

St. Paul's Lutheran Church | Jordan, MN
100 6th St W | Jordan, MN 55352

Coffee Hour 8–9AM

Program 9AM–12:15PM

—♦—
**GUEST
SPEAKER**

Pastor Dan Lindner

Campus Ministry Mission Counselor

—♦—
Please contact Amy Radick with any
dietary requirements or questions:
spljordan.la@gmail.com or
952-492-2489.



ACTS 17:16-34 (esp. 16-17)

¹⁶ While Paul was waiting for them in Athens, he was greatly distressed to see that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷ So he reasoned in the synagogue with both Jews and God-fearing Greeks, as well as in the marketplace day by day with those who happened to be there.



We need volunteers for the Blood Drive!

American Red Cross Blood Drive: September 21, 1:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Please check the Volunteer 2026 wall
(it has moved next to the bulletin board)
for opportunities to help.

ALSO—We need to plan some Trailblazer events!

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 with any questions you may have.)

Thank you so much.