

**For had ye believed Moses,
ye would have believed me;
for he wrote of me.
But if ye believe not his writings,
how shall ye
believe my words?**

John 5:46-47



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

Lord God, have mercy on me, a sinner. Forgive my open sins and my secret sins. Forgive the sins I know and the sins I do not know. Forgive the sins I did to please myself and the sins I did to please others. Forgive them all, gracious Lord, for Jesus' sake.
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

August 1 & 2, 2026

HYMN

MORNING

Congregation Sings Verses 1-4

582

Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun



1 A - wake, my soul, and with the sun
2 All praise to you, who safe have kept
3 Lord, all my prayers as - cend to you:
4 Di - rect, con - trol, sug - gest this day
5 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow;



Your dai - ly stage of du - ty run;
And have re - freshed me while I slept.
Dis - perse my sins as morn - ing dew,
All I de - sign or do or say
Praise him, all crea - tures here be - low;



Shake off your sleep and joy - ful rise
Grant, Lord, when I from death shall wake,
Guard my first springs of thought and will,
That all my pow'rs with their might
Praise him a - bove, you heav'n - ly host—



To bring your morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
I may of end - less light par - take.
And with your light my spir - it fill.
In your sole glo - ry may u - nite.
Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, abr., alt.

Tune: MORNING HYMN (LM) François H. Barthelemon, 1741–1808.

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.



Glory to God

Gloria in Excelsis

From the Divine Service 1



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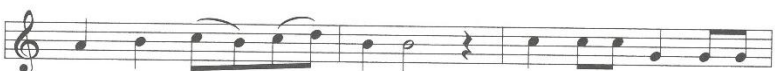
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and



Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer, re -

ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo - ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

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The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, the spirit to think and do what is right that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by your help be enabled to live according to your will; 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

Exodus 32:1-14 (Evangelical Heritage Version)

When the people saw that it took so long for Moses to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron and said to him, “Get up, make a god for us, who will go before us, because this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt—we do not know what has become of him.”

²Aaron said to them, “Pull off the gold earrings from your wives and sons and daughters and bring them to me.”

³All the people pulled off their gold earrings and brought them to Aaron. ⁴He took what they handed him and shaped it with an engraving tool and made it into a bull calf cast out of metal. Then they said, “This is your god, Israel, which brought you up out of the land of Egypt.”

⁵When Aaron saw this, he built an altar in front of it, and Aaron made a proclamation. He said, “**Tomorrow** shall be a festival to the LORD.”

⁶They got up early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought fellowship offerings. Then the people sat down to eat and to drink and got up to celebrate wildly.

⁷The LORD spoke to Moses: “Hurry down, because your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves! ⁸They have quickly turned from the way which I commanded them. They have made a calf for themselves out of metal and have worshipped it. They have sacrificed to it and said, ‘This is your god, Israel, which brought you up out of the land of Egypt.’ ”

⁹The LORD said to Moses, “I have seen these people, and they certainly are a stiff-necked people. ¹⁰So now leave me alone, so that my anger can burn hot against them, so that I may consume them and make you into a great nation.”

¹¹Moses begged the LORD his God and said, “O LORD, why does your anger burn against your people, whom you have brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹²Why should the Egyptians say, ‘He brought them out for an evil purpose, to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth?’ Turn back from your fierce anger and change your mind about inflicting disaster on your people. ¹³Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, to whom you swore by your own self. You said to them, ‘I will multiply your seed like the stars of the sky, and I will give all this land that I have spoken about to your seed, and they shall inherit it forever.’ ”

¹⁴Then the LORD changed his mind about the disaster which he said he would inflict on his people.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

1 Timothy 6:6-10 (EHV)

⁶But godliness with contentment is great gain. ⁷For we brought nothing into the world, and we certainly cannot take anything out. ⁸But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be satisfied.

⁹Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and many foolish and harmful desires, which plunge them into complete destruction and utter ruin. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evils. By striving for money, some have wandered away from the faith and have pierced themselves with many pains.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

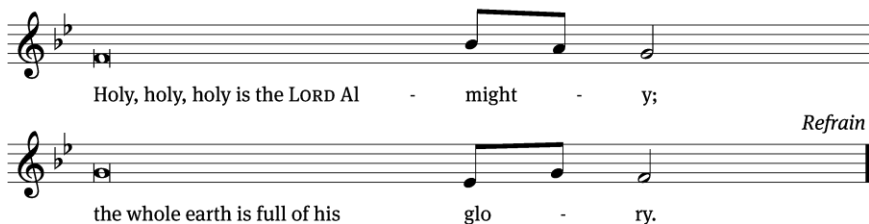
Gospel Acclamation - Setting 1



Refrain



Tone



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Gospel

John 5:39-47 (EHV)

³⁹You search the Scriptures because you think you have eternal life in them. They testify about me! ⁴⁰And yet you do not want to come to me in order to have life.

⁴¹“I do not accept honor from people. ⁴²But I know you. I know that you do not have the love of God within you. ⁴³I have come in my Father’s name, yet you do not accept me. If someone else comes in his own name, you will accept him. ⁴⁴How can you believe while you continue to accept glory from one another and you do not seek the glory that comes from the only God?

⁴⁵“Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father. The one who accuses you is Moses, on whom you have set your hope. ⁴⁶For if you believed Moses, you would believe me, because he wrote about me. ⁴⁷But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe what I say?”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be Seated

CHILDREN’S LESSON

Hymn of the Day



TRUST

421

All Depends on Our Possessing



1 All de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's a - bun - dant
2 He who to this day has fed me And to man - y
3 Man - y spend their lives in fret - ting O - ver tri - fles
4 Well he knows what best to grant me; All the long - ing
5 If on earth my days he length - en, He my wea - ry



grace and bless - ing, Though all earth - ly wealth de - part.
joys has led me Is and ev - er shall be mine.
and in get - ting Things that have no sol - id ground.
hopes that haunt me, Joy and sor - row, have their day.
soul will strength - en; All my trust in him I place.



They who trust with faith un - shak - en In their God are
He who ev - er gent - ly schools me, He who dai - ly
I shall strive to win a trea - sure That will bring me
I shall doubt his wis - dom nev - er— As God wills, so
Earth - ly wealth is not a - bid - ing, Like a stream a -



not for - sak - en And e'er keep a daunt - less heart.
guides and rules me, Will re - main my help di - vine.
last - ing plea - sure And that now is sel - dom found.
be it ev - er— I to him com - mit my way.
way is glid - ing; Safe I an - chor in his grace.

Text: Andächtige Haus-Kirche, Nürnberg, 1676, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.
Tune: ALLES IST AN GOTTES SEGGEN (887 887) Johann Löhner, 1645–1705, alt.

SERMON

STAND

NICENE CREED

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. Thank you.)

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



Vacation Bible School

Bible Lessons

Crafts

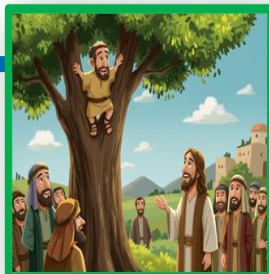
Games

Singing

August 12 & 13

9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

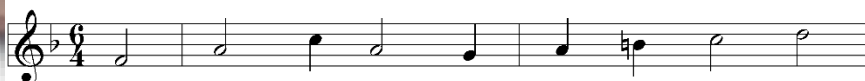
(Includes Lunch)



All kids (ages 4 to 5th grade) are welcome to attend VBS. Registration sheets are on the literature table. Please fill them out and give to Pastor or Heidi. We'll learn about Zacchaeus, as well as about Pentecost!

WORD OF GOD

288 The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace



1 The gos - pel shows the Fa - ther's grace, Who
 2 It sets the Lamb be - fore our eyes, Who
 3 It brings the Sav - ior's right - eous - ness To
 4 It is the pow'r of God to save From
 5 It bears to all the ti - dings glad And



sent his Son to save our race, Pro -
 made the a - ton - ing sac - ri - fice And
 robe our souls in roy - al dress; From
 sin and Sa - tan and the grave; It
 bids their hearts no more be sad; The



claims how Je - sus lived and died That
 calls the souls with guilt op - pressed To
 all our guilt it brings re - lease And
 works the faith which firm - ly clings To
 wea - ry, bur - dened souls it cheers And



we might thus be jus - ti - fied.
 come and find e - ter - nal rest.
 gives the trou - bled con - science peace.
 all the trea - sures which it brings.
 ban - ish - es their guilt - y fears.

6 May we in faith its message learn
 Nor thanklessly its blessings spurn;
 May we in faith its truth confess
 And praise the Lord, our righteousness.

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

582 Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun

Verse 5

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, you heav'nly host—
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, abr., alt.

What's Coming Up at Friedens?

Last Week's Attendance
 Saturday (07/25/26): 37
 Sunday (07/26/26): 55
 Total: 92

Sunday, August 2	Worship (Communion) Coffee Time OUTREACH MEETING	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m.
Monday, August 3		
Tuesday, August 4		
Wednesday, August 5 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	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
Thursday, August 6	Czech Out New Prague (Memorial Park) FIFAF Book Club	5:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
Friday, August 7		
Saturday, August 8	Men's Bible Study Worship	8:00 a.m. Noon
Sunday, August 9	Worship VBS MEETING Bible Study	9:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Monday, August 10		
Tuesday, August 11	Worship at Mala Strana Worship	11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.

USHER SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 2026

DATE	TEENS		ADULTS	
August 2, 2026	Mason Storlie	Ethan Paler	David Tietz	Linda Jandt
August 9, 2026	Mikkala Quickle	Kameron Quickle	Roger M. Meyer	Eric Schanus
August 16, 2026	Mason Storlie	Ethan Paler	Keith Barta	Scott Gilsrud
August 23, 2026	Mikkala Quickle	Kameron Quickle	Doug Holicky	Troy Rabenberg
August 30, 2026	Mason Storlie	Ethan Paler	Duane Jirik	Justin Storlie

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

ALPHA WOMENS CENTER

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Ladies, You're Invited
to the Alpha Women's Center

Garden Party

Tuesday August 25 6-8 pm

Don't miss the hottest ticket of the summer! It's Alpha's Summer Garden Party—a fun-filled fundraising and friend-raising evening just for women 18+.

Gather your girlfriends and join us for an unforgettable evening as we celebrate life, make new friends, and support the life-changing work of Alpha Women's Center.

- Live music
- Delicious food, wine and mocktails
- Games and prizes
- A fabulous silent auction

Free Tickets for a Friend:

As part of our commitment to welcoming first-time guests, if you bring a friend who is new to Alpha, her \$30 ticket is on us!



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Alpha Women's Center Garden Party

Tuesday, August 25, 2026, 6-8 PM

Ladies, don your big hat and favorite floral dress for a night out at our summer Garden Party! It's Alpha Women's Center's fundraising—and friend-raising—evening for women, featuring live music, games, a silent auction, and delicious food, wine, and mocktails.

Thank you to Sovereign Estate Winery in Waconia for generously donating their beautiful venue as we gather to celebrate life and introduce new friends to the mission of Alpha Women's Center.

Free Ticket for a Friend: As part of our commitment to welcoming first-time guests, if you bring a friend who is new to Alpha, her \$30 ticket is on us! Ladies 18+ are welcome.

For more than 40 years, Alpha Women's Center has been offering help and hope to Twin Cities women through a prolific Christian ministry that offers pregnant women free medical and support services from our mobile clinics. Scan the QR code for tickets or visit onecau.se/26gardenparty.

Alpha Women's Center Has Saved 30 Babies So Far This Year!!!

In efforts to provide free prenatal care for unplanned pregnancies, as well as promoting saving children from abortion, Alpha Women's Center has asked if anyone could make some gift baskets for a silent auction they are having at the big Garden Party event. *More information is on its way. Keep an eye on the bulletin if you'd like to attend this fundraising event.*

If you can make/donate a gift basket for their silent auction, it would be much appreciated. Please pick a theme for your basket, such as BBQ, Coffee, Gardening, Spa, Reading, Bird Feeders, etc., and please don't spend more than \$50. Thank you so much for your donation to this worthy cause. The babies thank you, too.

Please put your baskets on the table in the Welcome Area before August 14. They will be brought to Peggy Gleason at the Alpha Women's Center for their Garden Party fundraising event. Thank you.



--Church Mouse

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AUGUST 28 - 30, 2026

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AUGUST EVENTS

Czech Out New Prague: August 6, 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
(Memorial Park, 400 Main St. E., New Prague, MN).

Vacation Bible School: August 12 & 13, 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. --Lunch is Included (Children ages 4-5th grade invited). *There are **many** volunteer opportunities; please see the Volunteer 2026 wall. Registration forms are on the literature table. Please put them on the church mouse desk (copy room counter).*

Worship in the Park (Potluck & Petting Zoo): August 23, at 10:00 a.m.

