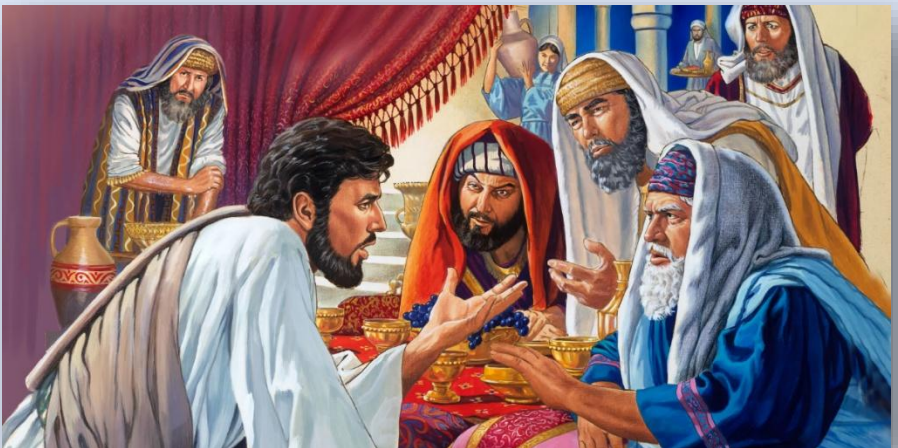


Why do thy disciples
transgress the tradition
of the elders? for they
wash not their hands
when they eat bread.

Matthew 15:2 (KJV)



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Welcome to Worship!

Regular Worship Services

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

Prayer Before Worship

Lord God, open my eyes to the beauty of your created world. You made all things to nourish my life and to fill me with wonder and joy. Open my mouth to praise and thank you for your gifts.

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

July 11 & 12, 2026

HYMN



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In You Is Gladness

1 In you is glad - ness A - mid all sad - ness,
2 If he is ours, We fear no pow - ers,

Je - sus, Sun - shine of my heart. By you are
Not of earth or sin or death. He sees and

giv - en The gifts of heav - en; You the true
bless - es In worst dis - tress - es; He can change

Re - deem - er are. Our souls are wak - ing; Our bonds
them with a breath. Where - fore the sto - ry Tell of

are break - ing. Who trusts you sure - ly Has built se -
his glo - ry With hearts and voic - es; All heav'n re -

cure - ly And stands for - ev - er. Al - le - lu -
joic - es In him for - ev - er. Al - le - lu -

ia! Our hearts are pin - ing To see your shin - ing,
ia! We shout for glad - ness, Win o - ver sad - ness,

Dy - ing or liv - ing To you are cling - ing
Love him and praise him And still shall raise him

Now and for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!
Glad hymns for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!

STAND

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

Amen.

Confession

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts.

We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.

We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done.

Have mercy on us, Lord!

Spare us, forgive us and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

Silence for meditation and reflection

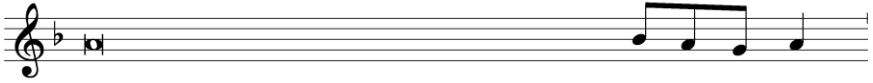
God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



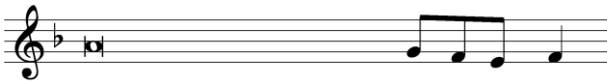
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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.



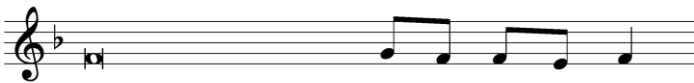
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

Give Glory to God!

Congregation Sings Verse 2

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To God Be the Glory



1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!
2 Oh, per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of blood,
3 Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,



He so loved the world that he gave us his Son,
To ev - 'ry be - liev - er the prom - ise of God;
And great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son,



Who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin
The vil - est of - fend - er who tru - ly be - lieves,
But pur - er and high - er and great - er will be



And o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
That mo - ment from Je - sus a par - don re - ceives.
Our joy and our won - der when Je - sus we see.

Refrain



Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice!



Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the peo - ple re - joice!



Oh, come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son



And give him the glo - ry— great things he has done!

THE WORD

(Congregation speaks when words are in bold.)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

O God, you have prepared joys beyond understanding for those who love you. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be Seated

Old Testament

Genesis 4:3-16 (Evangelical Heritage Version)

Abel tended sheep, but Cain worked the ground. ³As time passed, one day Cain brought an offering to the LORD from the fruit of the soil. ⁴Abel also brought some of the firstborn of his flock and their fat portions. The LORD looked favorably on Abel and his offering, ⁵but he did not look favorably on Cain and his offering. Cain was very angry, and his face showed it.

⁶The LORD said to Cain, “Why are you angry? Why do you have that angry look on your face? ⁷If you do good, will you not be lifted up? If you do not do good, sin is crouching at the door. It has a strong desire for you, but you must rule over it.”

⁸Cain said to Abel, his brother, “Let’s go into the field.” When they were in the field, Cain attacked Abel, his brother, and killed him.

⁹The LORD said to Cain, “Where is Abel, your brother?”

He said, “I don’t know. Am I my brother’s keeper?”

¹⁰The LORD said, “What have you done? The voice of your brother’s blood is crying to me from the soil. ¹¹Now you are cursed and sent away from the soil which has opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand. ¹²When you work the soil, it will no longer give its strength to you. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth.”

¹³Cain said to the LORD, “My punishment is too great for me to bear. ¹⁴Look, today you have driven me away from the soil. I will be hidden from your face, and I will be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth. And whoever finds me will kill me.”

¹⁵The LORD said to him, “No! If anyone kills Cain, he will face sevenfold revenge.” And the LORD appointed a sign for Cain, so that anyone who found him would not strike him down. ¹⁶Cain went out from the LORD’s presence and lived in the land of Nod, east of Eden.

*The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.*

Epistle Lesson

Romans 6:12-18 (EHV)

¹²Therefore, do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its desires. ¹³Do not offer the members of your body to sin as tools of unrighteousness. Instead, offer yourselves to God as those who are alive from the dead, and offer the members of your body to God as tools of righteousness. ¹⁴Indeed, sin will not continue to control you, because you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵What then? Should we continue to sin, because we are not under law but under grace? Absolutely not! ¹⁶Do you not know that when you offer yourselves to obey someone as slaves, you are slaves of the one you are obeying—whether slaves of sin, resulting in death, or slaves of obedience, resulting in righteousness?

¹⁷Thanks be to God that, although you used to be slaves of sin, you became obedient from the heart to the pattern of the teaching into which you were placed. ¹⁸After you were set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

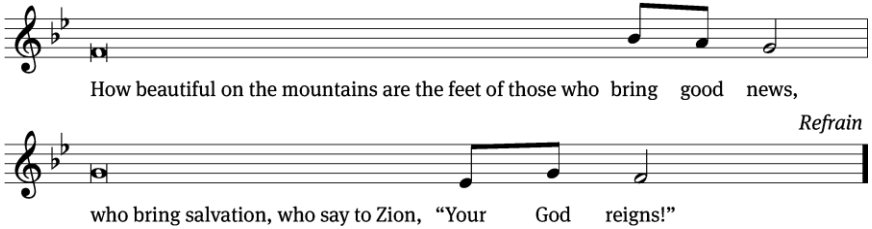
Gospel Acclamation - Setting 1



Refrain



Tone



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GOSPEL

Matthew 15:1-9 (EHV)

Then the Pharisees and experts in the law came to Jesus from Jerusalem and asked, ²“Why do your disciples break the tradition of the elders? They do not wash their hands when they eat bread.”

³He answered them, “**And why do you break the commandment of God for the sake of your tradition?** ⁴For example, God said, ‘Honor your father and your mother,’ and, ‘Whoever speaks evil of his father or mother should be put to death.’ ⁵But you say that if someone tells his father or mother, ‘Whatever help you might have received from me has been dedicated as a gift to God,’ ⁶that man does not need to honor his father or his mother. And so you set aside the word of God for the sake of your tradition. ⁷Hypocrites! Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you:

⁸These people honor me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.

⁹They worship me in vain, teaching human rules as if they are doctrines.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be Seated

CHILDREN'S LESSON

Hymn of the Day



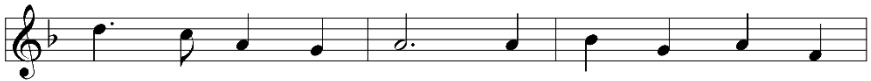
JUSTIFICATION

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In Adam We Have All Been One



1 In Ad - am we have all been one, One
2 We fled our God, and los - ing him, We
3 But your strong love, it sought us still And
4 O Sav - ior, when we loved you not, You
5 Send us your Spir - it; teach us truth To



huge re - bel - lious man; We all have fled that
lost our broth - er too. Each sin - gly sought and
sent your on - ly Son That we might hear his
loved and saved us all; O great good Shep - herd
purge our van - i - ty. From fan - cied wis - dom,



eve - ning voice That sought us as we ran.
claimed his own; Each man his broth - er slew.
shep - herd - voice And, hear - ing him, be one.
of man - kind, Oh, hear us when we call.
self - sought ways, O Sav - ior, set us free.

6 Then shall our song united rise
To your eternal throne,
Where with the Father evermore
And Spirit you are one.

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SERMON

STAND

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.**

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

BE SEATED

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

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

HYMN

696 Take My Life and Let It Be



1 Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed,
2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse
3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would



Lord, to thee; take my mo - ments and my days, let them
of thy love; take my feet and let them be swift and
for my King; take my lips and let them be filled with
I with-hold; take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry



flow in cease-less praise, let them flow in cease-less praise.
beau - ti - ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
mes - sag - es from thee, filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
pow'r as thou shalt choose, ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine,
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own,
it shall be thy royal throne,
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee,
ever, only, all for thee.

Stand

PRAYER

Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and 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.



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



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Abide, O Dearest Jesus



1 A - bide, O dear - est Je - sus, A - mong us
2 A - bide, O dear Re - deem - er, A - mong us
3 A - bide with heav'n - ly bright - ness A - mong us,
4 A - bide with rich - est bless - ings A - mong us,
5 A - bide with your pro - tec - tion A - mong us,



with your grace That Sa - tan may not
with your Word And thus now and here -
pre - cious Light; Your truth di - rect and
boun - teous Lord; Let us in grace and
Lord, our Strength, Lest world and Sa - tan



harm us Nor we to sin give place.
af - ter True peace and joy af - ford.
keep us From er - ror's gloom - y night.
wis - dom Grow dai - ly through your Word.
fell us And ov - er - come at length.

6 Abide, O faithful Savior,
Among us with your love;
Grant steadfastness and help us
To reach our home above.

Text: Josua Stegmann, 1588–1632; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.
Tune: CHRISTUS, DER IST MEIN LEBEN (76 76) Melchior Vulpus, c. 1570–1615, alt.

Last Week's Attendance
 Saturday (07/04/26): 20
 Sunday (07/05/26): 43
 Total: 63

What's Coming Up at Friedens?

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|---|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Sunday, July 12 | Worship Bible Study | 9:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m. |
| Monday, July 13 | | |
| Tuesday, July 14 | Worship at Mala Strana Worship | 11:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, July 15 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, July 16 | | |
| Friday, July 17 | | |
| Saturday, July 18 | Men's Bible Study Worship | 8:00 a.m. Noon |
| Sunday, July 19 | Worship (Communion) Bible Study | 9:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m. |
| Monday, July 20 | | |
| Tuesday, July 21 | | |

USHER SCHEDULE FOR JULY 2026

| DATE | TEENS | | ADULTS | |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| July 12, 2026 | Mason Storlie | Ethan Paler | Gary Grassmann | Bruce Nelson |
| July 19, 2026 | Mikkala Quickle | Kameron Quickle | Jeff Heine | Joe Stahl |
| July 26, 2026 | Mason Storlie | Ethan Paler | Dean Cornelius | Willard Rancour |

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