A dramatic image of an open wooden door leading to a bright, sunlit path, symbolizing hope and faith. The door is made of dark wood and is open, revealing a bright, sunlit path leading into a distance. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a strong lens flare and illuminating the path. The sky is dark with some clouds, and the overall atmosphere is one of hope and faith.

“But Christ is faithful as the Son
over God’s house. And we are his
house, if indeed we hold firmly to
our confidence and the hope in
which we glory.”

Hebrews 3:6

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Welcome to Worship!

Sunday Worship Service: 9 a.m.

Prayer Before Worship

Heavenly Father, thank you for my home and family, for love and gentleness, for laughter enjoyed and sorrows shared, for daily bread. Help me to be mindful of all your gifts and to rejoice in your goodness. May your peace be with us and your presence protect us.

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.**
- If needed, for your convenience, you can also view and hear the service in our Fellowship Hall.
- **Thank you for your patience during our Church Renovation Project.**

THE SERVICE *Setting One*

OPENING HYMN

EVANGELISM

Congregation Sings Verses 1-3

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Rise, Shine, You People



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has
2 See how he sends the pow'rs of e - vil
3 Come, cel - e - brate, your ban - ners high un -
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent his Son to



en - tered Our hu - man sto - ry; God in
reel - ing; He brings us free - dom, light and
furl - ing, Your songs and prayers a - gainst the
save us. Tell of the Son, who life and



him is cen - tered. He comes to us, by death
life and heal - ing. All men and wom - en, who
dark - ness hurl - ing. To all the world go out
free - dom gave us. Tell how the Spir - it calls



and sin sur - round - ed, With grace un - bound - ed.
by guilt are driv - en, Now are for - giv - en.
and tell the sto - ry Of Je - sus' glo - ry.
from ev - 'ry na - tion His new cre - a - tion.

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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

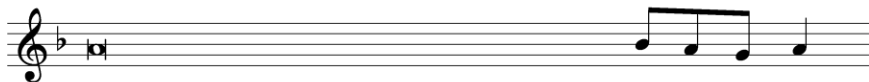
God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy



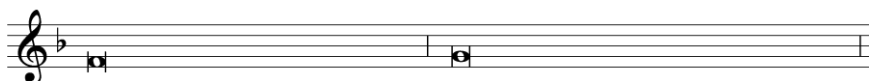
In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



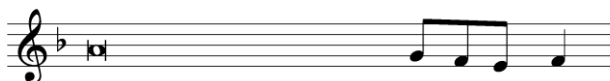
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



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 de-fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

Give God the Glory!

EVANGELISM



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Rise, Shine, You People

- 4** Tell how the Father sent his Son to save us.
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.
Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation
His new creation.

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THE WORD

(Congregation speaks when words are in bold.)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, you know that we are surrounded by many dangers, and that we often stumble and fall. Strengthen us in body and mind, and bring us safely through all temptations; 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

Deuteronomy 18:15-20 (Evangelical Heritage Version)

The Prophet

¹⁵The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brother Israelites. Listen to him.

¹⁶That is exactly what you asked from the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly. You said, “Do not let me hear the voice of the LORD my God anymore, and do not let me see this great fire again, or I will die.”

¹⁷Then the LORD said to me, “They have done well by saying what they said. ¹⁸I will raise up a prophet for them from among their brothers, like you, and I will put my words in his mouth, and he will speak to them everything that I command him. ¹⁹Anyone who will not listen to my words that the prophet speaks in my name, I myself will call him to account. ²⁰Any prophet who presumes to speak something in my name that I have not commanded him to speak or who speaks something in the name of other gods—that prophet shall die.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 29

29A Ascribe to the LORD

Refrain



Tone



Ascribe to the LORD, you heavenly /beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory /and strength.
The voice of the LORD is /powerful;
the voice of the LORD is ma-/jestic.
The voice of the LORD breaks the /cedars.
And in his temple all cry, /“Glory!” *Refrain*

The LORD sits enthroned o-/ver the flood;
the LORD is enthroned as king for-/ever.
The LORD gives strength to his /people;
the LORD blesses his peo-/ple with peace.
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*

SECOND READING

Hebrews 3:1-6 (EHV) Christ Is Superior to Moses

Therefore, holy brothers, who share in the heavenly calling, focus your attention on Jesus, the apostle and high priest whom we confess. ²He was faithful to the one who appointed him, as also Moses was faithful in God's whole house. ³In fact, Jesus is worthy of greater glory than Moses, in the same way that the builder of a house has more honor than the house. ⁴For every house is built by someone, and God is the one who built everything.

⁵Moses was faithful as a servant within God's whole house by testifying to the things that would be spoken. ⁶But Christ is faithful as a Son over God's house. We are his house, if we hold on firmly to our confidence and the hope about which we boast until the end.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

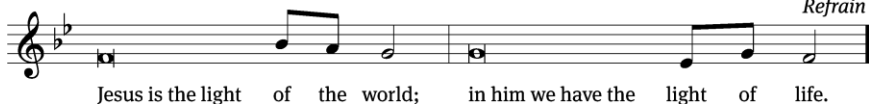
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Refrain



Tone



GOSPEL

Mark 1:21-28 (EHV) Jesus Drives Out a Demon

²¹Then they went into Capernaum.

On the next Sabbath day, Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach. ²²They were amazed at his teaching, because he was teaching them as one who has authority and not as the experts in the law. ²³Just then there was a man with an unclean spirit in their synagogue. It cried out, ²⁴“What do we have to do with you, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!”

²⁵Jesus rebuked the spirit, saying, “**Be quiet! Come out of him!**”

²⁶The unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions, and after crying out with a loud voice, it came out of him. ²⁷Everyone was so amazed that they began to discuss this with each other. They said, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He even commands the unclean spirits, and they obey him!” ²⁸News about him spread quickly through all the region of Galilee.

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

Be Seated

CHILDREN’S LESSON

HYMN OF THE DAY

REDEEMER

353 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



1 Praise the one who breaks the dark - ness With a
2 Praise the one who blessed the chil - dren With a
3 Let us praise the Word in - car - nate, Christ, who



lib - er - a - ting light; Praise the one who frees the
strong, yet gen - tle, word; Praise the one who drove out
suf - fered in our place; Je - sus died and rose vic -



pris - 'ners, Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.
de - mons With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword.
to - rious That we may know God by grace.



Praise the one who preached the gos - pel, Heal - ing
Praise the one who brings cool wa - ter To the
Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, Sec - ing



ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing storms and feed - ing
des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this well comes liv - ing
what our God has done; Let us praise the true Re -



thou - sands With the Fa - ther's word of peace.
wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
deem - er, Praise the one who makes us 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

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

HYMN

633 Speak, O Lord

1 Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to re - ceive the food
2 Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, ho - ly rev - er - ence,
3 Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds, help us grasp the heights
of your ho - ly Word; take your truth, plant it
true hu - mil - i - ty; test our thoughts and our
of your plans for us, truths un - changed from the
deep in us, shape and fash - ion us in your like - ness,
at - ti - tudes in the ra - di - ance of your pu - ri - ty.
dawn of time, that will ech - o down thro' e - ter - ni - ty.
that the light of Christ might be seen to - day in our acts of
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see your ma - jes - tic
And by grace we'll stand on your prom - is - es, and by faith we'll
love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and ful -
love and au - thor - i - ty. Words of pow'r that can
walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till your
fill in us all your pur - pos - es for your glo - ry.
nev - er fail, let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.
Church is built, and the earth is filled with your glo - ry.

Stand

PRAYER

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; 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.

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CLOSING HYMN

CLOSE OF SERVICE

327 God Be with You till We Meet Again

1 God be with you till we meet a - gain, By his
2 God be with you till we meet a - gain, 'Neath his

coun - sels guide, up - hold you, With his sheep se - cure - ly
wings pro - tect - ing hide you, Dai - ly man - na still pro -

fold you— God be with you till we meet a - gain.
vide you— God be with you till we meet a - gain.

Refrain

Till we meet, Till we meet, Till we
meet at Je - sus' feet. Till we meet, Till we
meet— God be with you till we meet a - gain.

Text: Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1828–1904, abr., alt.
Tune: GOD BE WITH YOU (98 89 with Refrain) William O. Tomer, 1833–96.

USHER SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 2024

DATE	TEENS		ADULTS	
February 4	Josef Jirik	Ethan Paler	Matt Schellin	Willard Rancour
February 11	Sam Workman	Ruth Workman	David Tietz	Linda Jandt
February 14	Olivia Quast	Kameron Quickle	Roger M. Meyer	Eric Schanus
February 18	Brandon Schellin	Megan Schellin	Keith Barta	DeLynn Barta
February 21	Daniel Callahan	Claire Callahan	Bob Heine	Dean Cornelius
February 25	Daniel Stahl	Lexi Rivers	Russ Meyer	Scott Gilsrud
February 28	Lucas Holicky	Mason Storlie	Doug Holicky	Troy Rabenberg

What's Coming Up at Friedens?

DATE	DESCRIPTION	TIME
Sunday, January 28	Worship Sunday School VOTERS' MEETING	9:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m. 10:15 a.m.
Monday, January 29		
Tuesday, January 30	Bible Info Class	2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 31	Bible Study Games 5 & 6 Catechism 7 & 8 Catechism Youth Bible Class	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 4:15 p.m. 5:40 p.m. 7:15 p.m.
Thursday, February 1	<i>First-Thursday Dinner of the Month</i> Bible Info Class <i>FIFAF</i>	5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
Friday, February 2		
Saturday, February 3	Men's Bible Study Worship Bible Info Class	8:00 a.m. Noon 1:00 p.m.
Sunday, February 4	Worship (Communion) <i>(Coffee Time Rescheduled for Next Week—Sanctuary Restoration Service)</i> Sunday School Bible Study	9:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m. 10:15 a.m.
Monday, February 5		
Tuesday, February 6	Worship at Mala Strana Bible Info Class	11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.

TODAY'S USHERS

DATE	TEENS		ADULTS	
January 28	Lucas Holicky	Mason Storlie	Jeff Heine	Joe Stahl

Thank you for ushering!