

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.

When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today." So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

Friedens Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Pastor Henry Koch

Welcome to Worship!

Worship Services

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

Prayer Before Worship

Compassionate Savior, too often I forget how many in our world are homeless, poor and hungry. In your mercy, relieve their suffering and pain. Remind me that when I help a person in need I am serving you.

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 Two

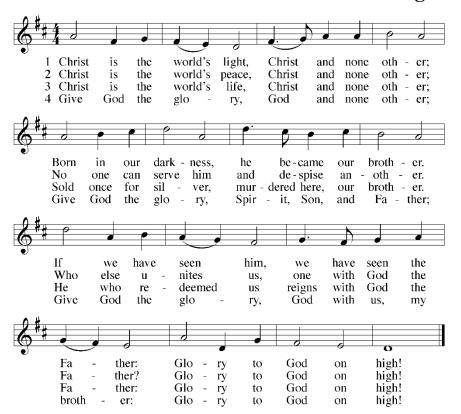
November 1 & 2, 2025

Hymn



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Christ Is the World's Light



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Tune: CHRISTE SANCTORUM (10 11 11 6) Antiphoner, Paris, 1681.

Stand

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

Confession (Congregation in Bold)

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 wellbeing 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.

Give Glory to God!

602 Great Is Thy Faithfulness



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The Word

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, forgive the wrongdoing of your people, and be gentle with us in our weakness. Deliver us from the bondage of our sin, and direct us to the path of righteousness; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Be seated

Amen.

First Reading

Micah 7:18-20 (Evangelical Heritage Version)

¹⁸Who is a God like you, who forgives guilt, and who passes over the rebellion of the survivors from his inheritance?

He does not hold onto his anger forever.

He delights in showing mercy.

¹⁹He will have compassion on us again.

He will overcome our guilty deeds.

You will throw all their sins into the depths of the sea.

²⁰You will give truth to Jacob and mercy to Abraham, as you swore to our fathers from days of old.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

63B O Lord, My God, Now Hear My Plea



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Second Reading

Romans 5:6-11 (EHV)

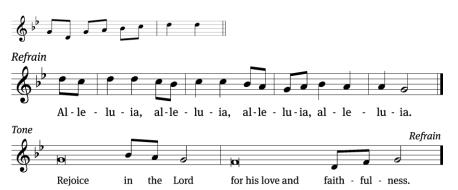
⁶For at the appointed time, while we were still helpless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷It is rare indeed that someone will die for a righteous person. Perhaps someone might actually go so far as to die for a person who has been good to him. ⁸But God shows his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

⁹Therefore, since we have now been justified by his blood, it is even more certain that we will be saved from God's wrath through him. ¹⁰For if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, it is even more certain that, since we have been reconciled, we will be saved by his life. ¹¹And not only is this so, but we also go on rejoicing confidently in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received this reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel

Luke 19:1-10 (Evangelical Heritage Version)

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. ²A man named Zacchaeus was there. He was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. ³He was trying to see who Jesus was, but since he was short, he could not see because of the crowd. ⁴He ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, because he was about to pass by that way. ⁵When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." ⁶He came down quickly and welcomed Jesus joyfully. ⁷When the people saw it, they were all grumbling because he went to be a guest of a sinful man.

⁸Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I am going to give half of my possessions to the poor. And if I have cheated anyone out of anything, I will pay back four times as much."

⁹Jesus said to him, "Today, salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

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

Be seated

Children's Lesson

HYMN OF THE DAY

510 In Christ Alone





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

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.

Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.

Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.

The signs of the times warn us that the end of time is near. Protect us from scoffers who sneer at your truth. Spare us and Christians around the world from all forms of hate and persecution.

Give us courage to carry the cross with patience and joy.

Instill in the hearts of our children a desire to follow you as they prepare for future days. Help them distinguish between what is passing and what is eternal, between instant thrills and lasting joy. Encourage more young people to prepare for service in the public ministry of the gospel.

Mold us and move us to be good examples for our youth.

Hold in your care, Lord, those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death. [Especially bless . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition.] Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they loved.

Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help when we can.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever.

Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.

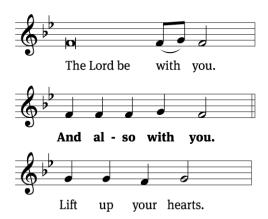
Participation in the Lord's Supper

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

Stand

Preface



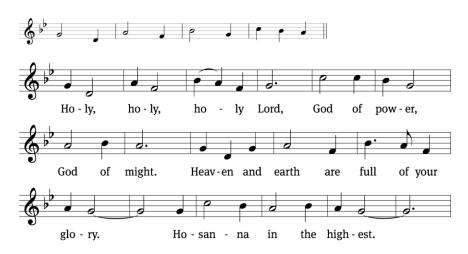


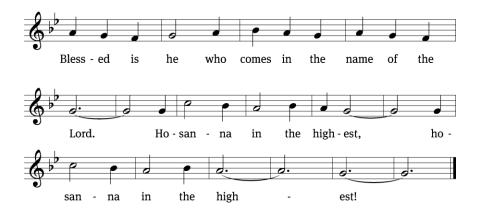


Proper Preface

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 promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy





Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks to you for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its curse and penalty. He rescued us from the terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

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.**



Jesus, Lamb of God



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Be seated

Distribution

God Loved the World So that He Gave



To you, O blessed Trinity, Be praise now and eternally!

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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 you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet you have given us in this Sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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

602 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,

blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)

Ref. Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

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What's Coming Up at Friedens?

Last Week's Attendance

Saturday (10/25/25): 23 Sunday (10/26/25): <u>59</u>

Total: 82

Sunday, November 2	Worship (Communion)	9:00 a.m.
Sunday, November 2	Coffee Time	10:00 a.m.
Daylight Savings Time	Sunday School	10:10 a.m.
Ends	Bible Study	10:30 p.m.
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Monday, November 3		
Tuesday, November 4	Choir	7:15 p.m.
Wednesday, November 5	Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
	Games	10:00 a.m.
	5 & 6 Catechism	4:15 p.m.
	7 & 8 Catechism	5:40 p.m.
Thursday, November 6	FIRST-THURSDAY DINNER:	5:00 p.m6:30 p.m.
,	Spaghetti & Garlic Bread, Etc.	0.00 p
	FIFAF BOOK CLUB	6:30 p.m.
	ELDERS' MEETING	6:30 p.m.
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Friday, November 7		
Saturday, November 8	Men's Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
	Worship	Noon
Sunday, November 9	Worship	9:00 a.m.
,	Sunday School	10:10 a.m.
	Bible Study	10:15 p.m.
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Monday, November 10	OUTREACH MEETING	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 11	Worship at Mala Strana	11:00 a.m.
	Worship	6:30 p.m.
	Choir	7:15 p.m.
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USHER SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 2025 TEENS ADULTS DATE November 2 Mikkala Quickle Kameron Quickle David Tietz Linda Jandt November 9 Daniel Callahan Claire Callahan Roger M. Meyer Eric Schanus November 16 Mason Storlie Lucas Holicky Keith Barta Scott Gilsrud November 23 Ethan Paler Troy Rabenberg Josef Jirik Doug Holicky November 27 Sam Workman Ruth Workman Duane Jirik Justin Storlie (Thanksgiving 9:00 a.m.) Bruce Nelson November 30 Mikkala Quickle Kameron Quickle Gary Grassmann

First-Thursday Dinner:



Spaghetti w/Garlic Bread

November 6 | 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Church Fellowship Hall

Hosts: Larry & Mary Bowen

Everyone is invited, so bring your friends!

The 2025 Directories are here!



Please see Heidi Gilsrud for your copy!

Please Note: There are limited copies (if you did not submit a photo), so hurry while supplies last.

Volunteer

2026



Dear Church Members:

In light of the response we received for more church events (from our congregational survey), the church Elders and Council realized we have to be more prepared with having our volunteer teams in place prior to the new year. We are asking our members to please see the new "VOLUNTEER" wall (across from the literature table) and sign up to be a volunteer for an event or two. Go ahead and just feel free to fill up those sign-up sheets! Then, we can keep having our wonderful events we enjoy so much.

THE NEW PLAN PER THE COUNCIL: Before the new year (2026), we'll see how many volunteers we have signed up. If we have all the volunteers we need for an event by **December 31, 2025**, that event will be included in the 2026 Special Events Schedule. Sadly, if we do not get any or enough volunteers signed up by the Deadline (December 31, 2025), that event will not be included in the 2026 Special Events Schedule.

Please Note: At any time, if anyone would like to host an event, they can always go to the Elders and ask.

Please and thank you!







Please let Heidi Gilsrud know if you'd like to Host a table for this special Advent by Candlelight service.



URGENT COMMUNITY FOOD COLLECTION

STARTS NOW UNTIL?

There is a rectangular table in the Welcome Area for Peace Center (New Prague, MN) food donations. Please consider bringing a food donation. We'll make sure your donation gets to the Peace Center for our community needs. Please take one of the Community Meeting sheets (on the table) for ways to give to our community. On the table is SNAP and FISH info and links, too.

"This is the FISH Network's link for people to donate money for those needing help with food. Both FISH and Scott County links would be fine for us to use. People have other options, as well as donating food itself at Friedens, or designating special cash gifts to be sent through us.

This problem for our neighbors in need (42% of SNAP recipients in the county are minor children) is an opportunity for us to show God's love for our neighbors in tangible ways; 111 households in New Prague (that may be just the Scott County half of the city) use SNAP. Ten times as many use SNAP in Shakopee."

Pastor Koch

FISH — Meeting real needs, right now.

https://www.paypal.com/ncp/payment/WMVHVB69YDC52



Scott County



From: "FISH" <fish@fishpartnernetwork.org>
To: "FISH" <fish@fishpartnernetwork.org>
Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2025 8:43:29 AM

Subject: URGENT COMMUNITY UPDATE - SNAP Benefits

Interrupted During Federal Shutdown



UPDATES

As many of you have seen, the federal government shutdown means **SNAP** benefits are temporarily unavailable for thousands of individuals and families in our community. This is not just a headline — it means children, seniors, and vulnerable neighbors may go without food in the days to come.

At FISH, our mission is to *meet real needs*, *right now*. If there has ever been a moment our community needs this network, **it is now**.

To respond quickly and compassionately, FISH has created an urgent SNAP Relief Fund via PayPal.

Every dollar will be used **immediately** to help individuals and families who are suddenly without access to food.

We are ready to be the safety net our community deserves — but we can only do that with your partnership and support.

Please donate using the link or QR code below.

No amount is too small — together we can ensure **no neighbor goes hungry.**

And please, share this message with your networks — friends, churches, businesses, neighbors — anyone who wants to help and wants to know their contribution will directly support those most in need in Scott County.

This is what our network was built for.

This is how we show up for one another.

Together, we will get our community through this moment — with dignity, compassion, and hope.

Thank you for being part of the heart of Scott County.

Let's stand together and feed our neighbors.

FISH — Meeting real needs, right now.

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