

“The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched – they must be felt with the heart.” ~ Helen Keller



Sunday, February 2, 2025

Music Prelude

Bell Tolling - Welcome to Worship (** = all who are able, please stand*)

Prelude

*Call to Worship

In God alone we take refuge.

We will never be put to shame.

The one who formed us is the one who gathers us here.

We will praise our Creator forever.

*Hymn of Gathering “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

Prayer cards are collected during the Hymn.

*Gathering Prayer (unison)

Ever-loving Parent, you have known us since our beginning. Raise us in the ways of love, that we might give up boastfulness and envy, and turn toward your ways of patience, kindness, and joy. Amen.

*Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 13: 1-13

Luke 4: 21-30

Children’s Moment ~ Noisy Offering

Song of Reflection “You Are My King (Amazing Love)”

Sermon “Loved” Rev. Tracey Harris

*Song of Response “How Deep the Father’s Love For Us”

Offertory

It is in love that Christ came to us. It is in love that the Spirit formed us into community. It is in love that God created us. Let us show our love by offering a portion of what we have been given.

Offering Song "Children of the Heavenly Father"

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below,

Praise God above, you heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

God of love, as we offer these gifts, we are reminded that without love, all our actions fall short of their true purpose. May this offering be a reflection of the love that never fails, and may it serve to build up your kingdom with faith, hope, and love as its foundation. Bless these gifts to spread your love to every heart they touch. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution and Blessing of the Elements

Call to the Table

Passing of the Elements

Sharing of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Song "He Will Hold Me Fast"

Community Prayer

Faith in Action

*Song of Sending "How Can I Keep from Singing"

*Commission and Blessing

Go wherever the Spirit sends you!

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Benediction

Music Postlude

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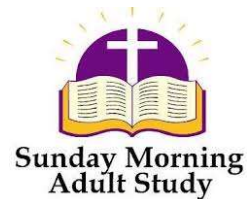
PLACE DONATIONS IN THE WELL OF HOPE OR IN BLACK CONTAINER OUTSIDE OF THE VESTIBULE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

Toilet Tissue Tuna Helper Canned Tuna Canned vegetables
Shampoo and Conditioner Kleenex Men's and Women's Deodorant
Laundry Detergent Dish Liquid



Tuesday evening at 7 pm and Wednesday morning at 9 am.
Bible Study is held in the Conference room. Please bring your bibles.

**Sunday mornings after Worship Sunday
School is held in the Hospitality Room**



Celebration Center Dedication & Open House ~ February 23
Dedication in the Fellowship Hall after Worship with Open House tours in the Celebration Center.



Youth and adults will be making Valentines after church TODAY to deliver to members living at McClay Senior Center, where Orrin & Carolyn Johnson reside on February 9, 2025.

Easter Lilies can be commemorated in a variety of ways. The cost will be \$17.00 each; there are 5+ blooms in each 6” plant decorated with foil. Upon placing your order, please make your checks payable to Friedens U.C.C. for the proper amount and put “Lilies” in the memo section. Fill out the order information form and email it to the Church Office or place the form in the offering plate or turn the form into the Church Office. Order forms are also located in the Narthex.



Deadline to order lilies is Sunday February 9.

Emergency Warming Center at [St. John UCC-St. Charles](#). They are looking for both men and women's boots. “Last night it was heartbreaking to see the conditions of these individuals shoes and the bags they have tied around their feet in an attempt to keep them warm. While we are grateful the roads are clear, the sidewalks are not... which makes for soggy toes and no one likes soggy toes!” If you have any adult boots you are willing to donate they would be appreciated. They are also always appreciative for any other donations of hats, gloves, socks, pants, coats, etc. Thank you in advance!!

You can drop them off at John UCC-St. Charles or drop them off in the Well of Hope in the Narthex at Friedens.



Easter Ensemble

I'd like to invite everyone who loves to sing to join our Easter Ensemble. Rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, February 26, at 6:30 PM (no rehearsal March 5). We'll prepare special music for Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday. If you're interested, please come see me after the service or email lilyannrice@gmail.com.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

ROCK n ROLL BINGO - FRIDAY, APRIL 11

Doors open @ 6:00 pm. ~ Bingo begins @ 6:30 pm.

Tickets are on sale now. Please contact the Church Office email to purchase tickets OR sign up on the church office window. A flyer with details is located on the Church Office window.