"Faith does not eliminate questions. But faith knows where to take them"

~ Elisabeth Elliot



## Sunday, May 18, 2025

Music Prelude

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

Prelude

\*Call to Worship Addyson Vollmar

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord from the heavens.

Praise God in the heights!

Praise God, all you angels!

Praise God, all you heavenly host!

Let even the sun and moon praise the Lord.

Let us lift up our voices with every shining star to praise the name of Christ our Lord!

\*Hymn of Gathering "Rising"

Prayer cards are collected during the Hymn.

\*Gathering Prayer (unison) Jackson Vollmar

Eternal God, you are the beginning, and you are the end. You are the source, and you are the destination. You are the spring of the waters of our lives. And you are the sea toward which we flow. We pray that you would send your Holy Spirit to fall upon our lives again today. Refresh our faith, renew our course, and help us live for you. Amen.

\*Sharing the Peace Kora Voelkerding
The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Scripture Reading Rev. 21: 1-6 Jocelyn Hamilton

Skit "Finding the Perfect Church" w/Jim Anderson, Mary Martin, Everett Martin & Karen Hitchcock

Children's Moment ~ Presentation of Teacher's Gifts

Honoring the Graduates

SaVanna Daniels, Phillip Songer, Jackson Vollmar

Song of Reflection "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"

Sermon "Imagine" Rev. Tracey Harris

\*Hymn of Response "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

Offertory Adriana Hamilton

The Lord our God is making all things new. The Lord can take all that we bring as a gift and transform it into the blessings that the world needs today. Let us share the gifts that we have brought today so that they might become what God would have them be.

Offering Song "Wonderful Merciful Savior"

\*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) Adriana Hamilton

Holy Lord, we offer these gifts not as a debt to be paid, but as a token of our gratitude for all that you have given us. We dedicate these offerings and the time we have to your service, so that we, along with our community, will hear your call and respond in love. We pray that your Holy Spirit will inspire us to use these resources and our time to fulfill your will. Amen.

Community Prayer Lord's Prayer

Faith in Action

\*Song of Sending "Clap de Hands"

\*Commission and Blessing Phillip Songer

Christ has shared the love of God with us today. And now Christ's new commandment compels us to go out into the world and love one another, just as we have been loved.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

\*Benediction

Music Postlude

Sunday School Youth: Miles Dalton, Carson Richardson, Rhett Voelkerding, Calvert Dalton, Kastyn Hayes, Junie Bernaix, Kora Voelkerding, Evie Bernaix, Kendal Voelkerding, Corey Songer, Collin Richardson, Everett Martin, Karizma Merriman, Adriana Hamilton, Jocelyn Hamilton, Addyson Vollmar, SaVanna Daniels, Phillip Songer, Jackson Vollmar

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## FRIEDENS LIVESTREAMING VOLUNTEERS

**BROADCASTERS** Dylan Brune

**CAMERA** Debbie Ayres, Sharon Brune, Marie Haupt, Connie Pickering, Sara Vollmar

**SOUND** Galen Brune, Jeff Hitchcock & Jackson Vollmar **POWER POINT** Marie Haupt, Sandra Leezy, Debi Gravemann

**PRAISESOUND** Jim Anderson, Ron Gravemann, Karen Hitchcock, Sue Lienemann,

Abby Wissmann

**LITURGIST**... Youth **ACOLYTE**... Youth

**USHERS**. . . Rob & Jeanette Schaefer; Youth

**USHER/CONSISTORY**. . . Brenda Henning & Debi Gravemann **DONUT HOUR**. . . . NO DONUT HOUR; CE Picnic @ Wappelhorst

**NEXT SUNDAY SOCIAL HOUR...** Connections **COUNTERS...** Mary Martin & Ruth Nahmensen



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

Pancake Mix
Pancake Syrup
Can Pears
Applesauce

Instant Pudding Mix

Rice

Dry Beans

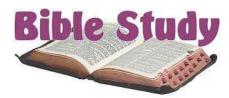
Hamburger Helper

Tuna Helper Canned Tuna Dish Soap

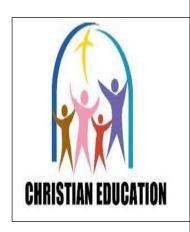
Laundry Detergent Shampoo/Conditioner Women's Deodorant

Bar Soap

Adult Toothpaste Kids Toothpaste



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



CHRISITAN EDUCATION SUNDAY TODAY
PICNIC @ WAPELHORST PARK @ 10:30 AM
LUNCH WILL BE SERVED. NO DONUT HOUR.

MEAT AND DRINKS ARE PROVIDED.

PLEASE BRING A SIDE DISH, SALAD OR DESSERT TO SHARE.

A SIGN-UP SHEET IS LOCATED ON THE CHURCH OFFICE WINDOW.

PLEASE BRING SERVING SPOONS FOR YOUR DISH/DESSERT. BRING LAWN CHAIRS.

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE BINGO, CORNHOLE, ETC.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO CELEBRATE SUMMER BEGINNINGS.

## VBS ~ Road Trip

Monday, July 14 through

Thursday, July 17

5:30pm - 8:00 pm

Dinner provided

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Please contact the church office to register no later than Sunday, June 29 @ churchoffice@friedens-ucc.org

-or- 636-946-2884

Space is limited to 40 children. Ages 4-12

