

*"Devote time to prayer,
drawing closer to God and
seeking His guidance for
your life."*



Sunday, August 16, 2026

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

Prelude

*Call to Worship

How good and pleasant it is when the people of God live in unity!

It is like being anointed with precious oil, running down the head.

It is like the morning dew, falling upon the mountains of Zion.

For there the Lord ordained this blessing: life forevermore.

*Hymn of Gathering "May the Peoples Praise You"

Prayer cards are collected during the Hymn.

*Gathering Prayer (unison)

Holy God, by your providence you have preserved your people through many times of trouble. Bless and keep us in these days, that we may know your abundant love and proclaim your saving work; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Sharing the Peace

The Peace, Joy and Love of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Scripture Reading Psalm 67
Matthew 15: 21-28

Children's Moment

Song of Reflection "I Need Thee Every Hour" Red Hymnal, Vs. 1,3,4

Sermon "Living Boldly" Pastor Tracey Harris

*Song of Response "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" Red Hymnal, Vs. 1,2,3

Offertory

God calls us to be good stewards of the gifts of the earth so there will be enough for everyone. Let us share what we have, entrusting the gifts of our lives to the work of the Lord.

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)

God of Hope, your promises sometimes feel distant amid the brokenness of this world. Open our eyes to the needs of others and awaken us to your call. Use these gifts to spread your Word and uplift communities across the globe. In Jesus’ holy name, we pray. Amen.

Community Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Faith in Action

*Song of Sending “Salt & Light”

*Commission and Blessing

Go forth to seek the Lord in faith and you will be a blessing in the world.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Benediction

Postlude

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**A SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING WILL BE HELD
TODAY AFTER WORSHIP REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF
A NEW COPIER. A QUORUM IS NEEDED TO PASS.**

LITURGIST . . . Galen Brune
ACOLYTE . . . Corey Songer
USHERS . . . Rob & Jeanette Schaefer
USHER/CONSISTORY . . . Betty Schippers and Karla Sheffer
DONUT HOUR . . . Darryl & Marie Haupt, Joe Aiello
NEXT SUNDAY SOCIAL HOUR . . . Connections
COUNTERS . . . Ron & Debi Gravemann



IF YOU PLAN TO ENTER THE BUILDING OR LET SOMEONE ELSE INTO THE CHURCH be sure to let Sharon or Pastor Tracey know about it by text, phone call, or email.



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



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

Canned Pineapple
 Yams
 Canned Potatoes
 Tomato Soup

Pasta Sides
 Hamburger Helper
 Boxed Pudding
 Shampoo

Child toothpaste
 Kleenex
 Toilet Tissue
 Laundry Detergent

Help Our Young People Grow in Faith!

We're looking for caring volunteers to help teach Sunday school and share God's love with the children and youth of our church.

We especially need:

- Regular teachers for our preschool class
 - Regular teachers for our older youth
 - Substitute teachers who can step in when a scheduled teacher is unable to be there
- Volunteers should be willing to become familiar with the curriculum and spend time preparing each lesson. No previous teaching experience needed! We'll make sure you have the materials, guidance, and support you need—you do not have to do it alone. If you enjoy encouraging young people and would like to serve as a regular or substitute teacher, please let us know. Your time and care can make a lasting difference!



Welcome to Friedens UCC. If you are a visitor, we ask you to fill out a visitor card from the pew rack.

Thank you for attending.

Donuts and coffee for all is found downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. A free will offering helps offset the cost of the donuts.



Blessing of the Backpacks

Sunday, August 23 during Children's Moment

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

ROCK n ROLL BINGO - FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 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.

Rally Day ~ "Love, Faith & Aloha" luau theme

Sunday, September 13 after Worship

Pulled Pork & Turkey will be provided along with some sides and desserts. A sign-up sheet will be located on the Church Office window if you plan to attend.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

