

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



Sunday, August 30, 2026

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

Prelude

*Call to Worship

We give thanks to you, O God, with our whole heart,
for your steadfast love and faithfulness.

On the day I Called, you answered;
you increased my strength of soul.

All the rulers of earth shall praise you, O God.

We join them in singing of your ways, for great is your glory.

*Hymn of Gathering "Come Christians Join to Sing"

Prayer cards are collected during the Hymn.

*Gathering Prayer (unison)

O Cornerstone, though once you were rejected, you have never rejected us but have raised up for us a secure foundation made of all the faithful who have come before and those who surround us even now. Fashion us, O God, into a solid rock for others, hewn from the saints who pursued your righteousness who sought you in the wilderness, and who followed, though none came with them. This we pray through Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Sharing the Peace

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

And also with you!

Scripture Reading Romans 12: 9-21
Matthew 16: 21-28

Children's Moment

Song of Reflection "The Wonderful Cross"

Sermon "Jesus, How to Live" Pastor Tracey Harris

*Song of Response “Servant Song”

Offertory

We are called to rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer, and contribute to the needs of the saints. With glad and generous hearts, let us share the offerings of our life with the Lord of all life.

Offering Song “Yet Not I but Through Christ In Me”

*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)

Compassionate God, we often rely on our own strength rather than placing our full trust in you. Remind us of your steadfast love and help us surrender our fears. Bless these offerings and those who give them. May they bring comfort and hope in Christ’s name. Amen.

Community Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Faith in Action

*Song of Sending “The Summons”

*Commission and Blessing

We have been set free for service. Let us take up the cross and follow Jesus.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Benediction

Postlude

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AUGUST FINANCIAL UPDATE

DATE ATTENDANCE OFFERING

8/2/2026	63	\$2485.00
8/9/2026	49	\$1773.00
8/16/2026	66	\$2989.00
8/23/2026	53	\$5023.00

WEEKLY BUDGET \$4270.00

Thank you for your Contributions

LITURGIST. . . . Ross Kimpling

ACOLYTE . . . Kastyn Hayes

USHERS. . . . Leon Kolkmeier and Volunteer

USHER/CONSISTORY. . . . Ron Buenemann and Clark Fischer

DONUT HOUR . . . Debbie Ayres

NEXT SUNDAY SOCIAL HOUR . . . Consistory

COUNTERS . . . Mary Martin and Ruth Nahmensen



IF YOU PLAN TO ENTER THE BUILDING OR LET SOMEONE ELSE INTO THE CHURCH be sure to notify 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.

Applesauce
Canned Carrots
Jelly
Canned Milk
Canned Tomatoes
Pasta Sides
Hamburger Helper/Tuna Helper
Pancake Syrup
Pancake Mix
Jello
Men's Deodorant
Kleenex
Laundry Detergent



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.

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.



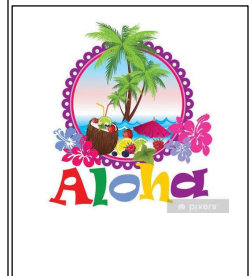
Please contact the Church Office email to purchase tickets OR sign up on the church office window. A flyer with details is located on the Church Office window.

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!



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!