

*"May God's Word be a  
guiding light for your path,  
illuminating every step with  
His wisdom and love."*



***Sunday, September 6, 2026***

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

Prelude

**\*Call to Worship**

Praise the Lord!

**Sing to the Lord a new song; sing praise among the faithful.**

Let the people of God be glad;

**let us rejoice, dance, and sing.**

For the Lord rejoices in the people;

**God gives glory to the humble of heart.**

**\*Hymn of Gathering**          "All Creatures of Our God and King"

*Prayer cards are collected during the Hymn.*

**\*Gathering Prayer (unison)**

**Holy God, you prepare a table for us in the presence of our enemies. Nourish us  
always at your table, that we may feed others with the promise of your saving love;  
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 149  
Romans 13: 8-10

Children's Moment ~ Noisy Offering

Song of Reflection          "Come All Christians Be Committed"

Sermon          "Following"          Pastor Tracey Harris

**\*Song of Response**          "More Love to Thee O Christ"

## Offertory

We share the gifts we have received, that all may know God's abundant grace. With generosity and joy let us offer our lives to the Lord.

Offering Song "Be Unto Your Name"

## \*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)

**Faithful God, your Word speaks truth into our lives and calls us into joyful community. As we offer our gifts, may your love shine through our giving. Increase our commitment to share the Gospel with gladness and praise. 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

*Please know that the inner circle of cups is grape juice*

Sharing of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Song "There is a Redeemer"

## Community Prayer

## Faith in Action

\*Song of Sending "O How Good It Is"

## \*Commission and Blessing

This is the fulfillment of God's law: to love your neighbor as yourself.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## \*Benediction

## Postlude

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## **FRIEDENS LIVESTREAMING VOLUNTEERS**

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**ACOLYTE** . . . Cal Dalton

**USHERS** . . . Consistory, Leon Kolkmeier

**USHER/CONSISTORY** . . . Randy Lienemann, Ross Kimpling,  
Debi Gravemann, Jeremy Whitney

**DONUT HOUR** . . . Consistory

**NEXT SUNDAY SOCIAL HOUR** . . Rally Day/CE

**COUNTERS** . . . Martha Cooley and Ron Schippers



**IF YOU PLAN TO ENTER THE CHURCH BUILDING OR YOU LET SOMEONE ELSE INTO THE CHURCH** please be sure to notify Sharon or Pastor Tracey 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 THE 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  
Kleenex  
Laundry Detergent

Pancake Syrup  
Pancake Mix  
Jello  
Men's Deodorant



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 are 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.



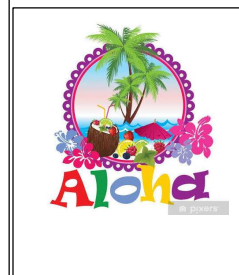
Please contact the Church Office email to purchase tickets OR sign up on the church office window. A flyer with details is located on the Church Office window.

### 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 is 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!

### Trunk-or-Treat, Sunday October 25 after Worship

There will be decorated trunks in the parking lot for kids to get treats. After please join us for chili and hot dogs in the Fellowship Hall.

There will be a sign-up sheet on the church office window for anyone who may want to bring chili or decorate a trunk. All are welcome. Come join us!

