"May your faith deepen as you draw closer to Christ, trusting in His perfect plan."

Friedens UCC

Sunday, November 1, 2026

Cholera Memorial Dedication Sunday

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

Prelude

*Call to Worship
Draw near and hear; God's love endures forever.
Your love sets us dancing and worshiping you with great joy!

*Hymn of Gathering "Come Christians Join to Sing"
Prayer cards are collected during the Hymn.

*Gathering Prayer (unison)
God, when we got lost in a wilderness of our own making, you guided us safely to the waters of your love. Jesus, you offered yourself as water to refresh us for the journey ahead. Holy Spirit, turn our gratitude into songs of praise, in the holy worship of your name. Amen.

*Sharing the Peace
The Peace of Christ be with you!
And also with you!

Scripture Reading Matthew 5: 1-12
Thessalonians 2: 9-13

Children's Moment ~ Noisy Offering

Song of Reflection "Speak O Lord"

Sermon "Flourishing Together" *Theo Of Golden Series* Pastor Tracey Harris

*Song of Response "Amazing Grace"

Offertory

We have been given grace and mercy. Let us share what we have received, so others may know of God's expansive love.

Offering Song "They'll Know We Are Christians"

*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)

Gracious God, we present these offerings with thankful hearts, mindful of the great cloud of witnesses who have shown us the way of faith. Just as you worked through them, work through us to bring hope to those in despair, faith to the faithless, and love to those who feel forgotten. Bless these gifts to lift burdens and transform lives, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 "Come to the Table"

Community Prayer

Faith in Action

*Song of Sending "O How Good It Is"

*Commission and Blessing

Keep going forward one step at a time. Before every step, God goes ahead and clears the path. Water or fire, you will walk right through them all. So keep going.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Benediction

Postlude

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USHER/CONSISTORY. . . Connie Pickering, Sara Vollmar, Ron Buenemann, Randy Lienemann
DONUT HOUR . . . Consistory
NEXT SUNDAY SOCIAL HOUR . . Stewardship Breakfast
COUNTERS . . . Ron & Laurie Buenemann

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.

Pie Filling
Mixed/misc Vegetables
Jelly
Tomato Soup
Tomato Sauce
Pasta Sides
Hamburger Helper/Tuna Helper
Misc Potatoes
(Boxed scalloped, Au Gratin etc)
Pancake Syrup
Women'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.

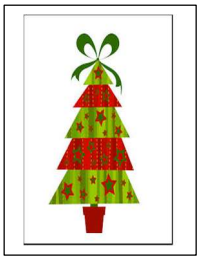
Donuts and coffee for all are found downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. A free will offering helps offset the cost of the donuts.

TODAY @ 11 am

Dedication of the Cholera Monument, erected on the mass grave site of the congregational members who lost their lives in the cholera epidemic of 1849. Refreshments following the dedication in the Church fellowship hall.

STEWARDSHIP BREAKFAST

Stewardship Breakfast Sunday November 8th after Worship. A sign-up sheet is located on the Church Office window if you would like to bring something for brunch.



Holiday Spirits ~ Saturday, December 6 @ 6:30 pm

Bring a $10 generic gift for Rob-Ur-Neighbor

Bring an appetizer to share

Bring your drink of choice

Sign-up sheet located on the Church Office Window

Christmas Program during Worship ~ Sunday, December 13

If you would like to be part of the Christmas Program as a non-speaking part, please contact Karen Hitchcock. **ALL speaking and non-speaking parts will need to attend the Dress Rehearsal on December 6 @ 10:30 am.**

A pizza lunch will be provided for the cast members at 11:45. A sign-up sheet will be located on the Church Office Window.

Sunday, December 13 ~ Blue Christmas Service @ 4:00 pm