

"Before the truth sets you free, it tends to make you miserable." Richard Rohr



Friedens UCC

Sunday, April 28, 2024

Music Prelude

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

*Call to Worship

We come to worship with joy, trusting God's holy word will inspire us.

We lean into God for understanding, anticipating the Spirit's blessing.

May God hear our praise! May we be counted among the great congregation.

**May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts
be acceptable to God.**

*Hymn of Gathering "O How Good It Is"

Prayer cards are collected during the Hymn.

Call to Confession

...in confession and lament:

Song of Confession "Come, O Redeemer, Come"

Confession of Sin

**Risen One, we confess our silence amid the persecution of others,
silence that has often complied with oppression and brought harm.**

What can we do to eradicate poverty, hunger, and homelessness?

Help us to hear your voice above all others, and teach us how to care for our

neighbor, feed the hungry, and clothe and care for those in need,

for as we do these things unto one another, we do them also unto you.

A time of silent prayer will be kept for personal confession.

Song of Confession "Come, O Redeemer, Come"

*Assurance of Pardon

... In Christ we are forgiven!

Hallelujah! Amen!

*Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Old Testament Reading Proverbs 15: 1 – 10, 18

Holy wisdom, holy Word.

Thanks be to God!

Psalm “Psalm 22”

Epistle Reading James 3

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Children’s Moment

Sermon “When Love Meets Anger: Soft Answers of Harsh Words”

Pastor Tom Baynham

Confession of Faith

**We believe in God, the Eternal Spirit, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Father,
and to his deeds we testify:**

**He calls the world into being, creates man in his own image
and sets before him the ways of life and death.**

He seeks in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

He judges men and nations by his righteous will declared through prophets and apostles.

**In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Lord,
he has come to us and shared our common lot,
conquering sin and death and reconciling the world to himself.**

**He bestows upon us his Holy Spirit,
creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ,
binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues and races.**

**He calls us into his church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship,
to be his servants in the service of men,
to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil,
to share in Christ’s baptism and eat at his table,
to join him in his passion and victory.**

**He promises to all who trust him
forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace,
courage in the struggle for justice and peace,
his presence in trial and rejoicing,
and eternal life in his kingdom which has no end.**

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto him. Amen.

Offertory

Song of Reflection “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

Community Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Faith in Action

*Song of Sending “O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing”

*Doxology

*Blessing and Charge

Postlude

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USHER/CONSISTORY. . . Kim Whitney and Randy Lienemann

SOCIAL HOUR . . . Anna McCurry

NEXT SUNDAY SOCIAL HOUR. . . Consistory

COUNTERS. . . Debbie Ayres and Anna McCurry



Canned pineapple

Canned milk

Canned tomatoes

Tuna Helper

Canned tuna

Jello

Applesauce

Pasta sides

Mayonnaise

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BLACK CONTAINER OUTSIDE OF THE VESTIBULE.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**



WORK DAY
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CHURCH

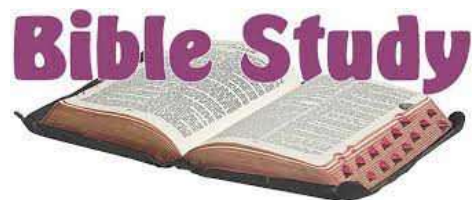
Workday

May 4, 2024

8:00 – 12:00

Lunch will be provided

**Sign up sheet located on Church
Office window**



**Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm and Wednesday morning at 9:00 am in the
Library/Conference Room. Please bring your bible.
Zoom will be available for those who cannot attend in person.**

**Sunday mornings after Worship
Sunday School is held in the
Hospitality Room**



**Sunday Morning
Adult Study**



<https://www.familyfun.com/fun>

Friedens Family Fun Activities

May 19 Ice Cream Social after Christian Education Sunday worship service.

June (date TBD): Joe's Great Safari (Laura S, coordinator). Laura gave info on a "Party Plan" vs. general admission. \$300 for 10 kids & 10 adults, with use of a private party room for 2 hours, either 11am-1pm or 2-4pm, and including animal food.

July (date TBD): Hoots game

August (date TBD): Soda Museum