May 7, 2023 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Watchword for the Week – Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6

Welcome to our service of worship on this fifth Sunday in the season of Easter. Yes, that's right. Easter is not just a one-day celebration. It is a 49-day season of the church year. More importantly, the Good News of Easter - the resurrection of Jesus - is something we celebrate whenever and wherever we gather for worship. In our Risen Lord and Savior there is hope, joy, strength and power for living!

If you are visiting with us today we are especially glad you're here. Please take a moment to add your name, address and phone number to the blue Friendship Register as it is passed down the pew. We consider you an honored guest and hope you will return and worship with us often in the weeks to come. If you are looking for a church home – a place where you can share Christian fellowship, learn, serve and grow as a follower of Jesus – we would love to talk to you about joining the Friedberg church family.

Prelude	The Church's One Foundation	Wesley		
Welcome and Ann	ouncements			
Hymn	To God Be the Glory	(Blue) # 550		
Friedberg's 250th Anniversary Verse (read in unison) For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations. (Psalm 100:5 NIV)				
Children's Sermon Afterwa	l rds, Children may leave for Children's Ch	urch		
Joys and Concern	S			
Pastoral Prayer				

Dedication of Quilt for 250th Anniversary

Giving of Our Tithes and Offering

Prayer	Titles and Offering	
Offertory	Peace Be Unto This Congregation Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	Althouse (Blue) # 817
Holy Scripture	Matthew 25:14-30	
Hymn	I, the Lord of Sea and Sky	(Blue) # 641
Sermon	"The Joy of Serving the Master" The Rt. Rev. Chris Geisler	
Hymn	Son of God, Eternal Savior	(Blue) # 648
Benediction		
Choral Amen		
Postlude	Now Thank We All Our God	Cruger

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Michael Brann's birthday which is today. They are given by Dawn, Thomas, Rachel, Ike and Jo Brann.

Please join us this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. as we celebrate our 250th anniversary with a lovefeast. The band prelude will begin at 2:30 p.m. Our guest speaker will be the Rt. Rev. G. Thomas Shelton. After the lovefeast everyone is invited to a reception in the Family Life Center sponsored by Friedberg' Women's Fellowship.

This week in Friedberg's History: Adam Spach deeded 77 acres of land to Frederick William Marshall, Administrator of the Wachovia Lands for the Moravian Church on May 8, 1786. This land included the land which is now Friedberg. Ownership of the land remained in the name of individual Wachovia Administrators until December 1, 1877, when the Wachovia Lands were deeded to the Board of Provincial Elders where it remains today. Also on May 11, 1873, the Friedberg congregation celebrated the centennial anniversary with the largest crowd they had ever had. After the church services were over, all gathered on the lawn for a picnic.

All parents who have a child in Children's Church will be <u>required</u> to physically come down to the Children's Center on the first floor of the Family Life Center and sign their child out before they are released at the end of worship.

This morning it is our honor and joy to welcome the Rt. Rev. Christ Giesler as our guest speaker. Chris is currently serving with the Board of World Mission. He began this ministry in September 2018 and feels that his lifelong connection with the Moravian Church and its mission focus has prepared him to be part of the BWM staff.

Chris lived in Nicaragua, where his parents were serving as Moravian missionaries until he was nine years old. At that time his family moved to Winston-Salem, NC, where he was an active part of the Friedberg, King, and Bethabara Moravian congregations as his father served as pastor. While serving on the M-Staff for six summers at Laurel Ridge, he felt the call to serve the Lord and the Moravian Church and thus continued his studies at Moravian College and Theological Seminary. During his college years, he met his future wife Tina and they were married while he was in seminary. Following his graduation, Chris was ordained in 1986 and then served as pastor of the Bethesda and Redeemer congregations in the Southern Province. From there he served for eight years as the Chaplain at Moravian College and Theological Seminary and then became the Director of Youth Ministry for the Eastern District, leading workshops, youth events, camps, and retreats. In this role, he also helped to organize many of the Youth and Young Adult Convos of the 1990s and 2000s. From there he served as pastor of the Edgeboro and Emmaus congregations in the Eastern District, continuing his active involvement with camping ministry. He was elected a Bishop of the Moravian Unity by the Synod of the Northern Province in 2010. Chris and Tina have two adult children. their spouses, and six grandchildren, who light up their lives. He enjoys running and traveling but mostly spending quality time with his family.

Chris' main focus with the Board of World Mission is to keep congregations and their members informed about Board of World Mission initiatives, as well as to help them find their own passion for mission in the neighborhoods where they are located. He also hopes to assist individuals to hear God's voice, discern their spiritual gifts and call, and respond in loving service. **Senior Friends Fellowship** will travel to West Jefferson, NC on Thursday, May 11. We look forward to exploring this interesting mountain town and its many opportunities. Lunch choices will be chosen individually, with recommendations from a local resident. Buses will leave the lower parking lot at 10:00 am. Please call Carol (336-764-1353) if you need more information or if you want to be included on this trip.

The Preschool Committee is sad to announce the retirement of our director, Marcia Reich. Our preschool has been blessed to have Marcia as our director since it opened in the fall of 2006. We wish only the best for Marcia in her retirement and will always be grateful for her contributions to both the preschool and the church during her tenure as our director. Marcia will not be leaving her position until this summer. We are now looking for the right person to take over the leadership of our Preschool. If you feel God is leading you to be the next director of Friedberg Moravian Preschool, please contact Franklin Clark (336) 817-8419 or Carolyn Breedlove (336) 403-7581 or send a resume to Preschool Director Position c/o Friedberg Moravian Church, 2178 Friedberg Church Rd., Winston-Salem, NC 27127

Sunday, May 7 (250th Anniversary Sunday)

9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream
3:00 p.m.	Anniversary Lovefeast

<u>Monday, May 8</u>

6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
7:00 p.m.	Trustee Meeting

Tuesday, May 9

9:30 a.m.	Bible Study in Youth Room
10:00 a.m.	Circle 1-At home of Sarah Faircloth
10:00 a.m.	Circle 5-Parlor
6:00 a.m.	Circle 2-Willing Workers Classroom
6:00 a.m.	Circle 3-Discovery Classroom
6:30 p.m.	Circle 4-Mi Casa Restaurant

Wednesday, May 10

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 11

9:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
10:00 a.m.	Senior Friends Trip
7:00 p.m.	Men's Basketball
7:00 p.m.	NT Bethel Bible Study

Sunday, May 14 (Mother's Day)

9:15 a.m.	Band Prelude
9:25 a.m.	Prayer Partners-Parlor
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream

FRIEDBERG MORAVIAN CHURCH PRAYER CONCERNS

May 7, 2023

MEMBERS

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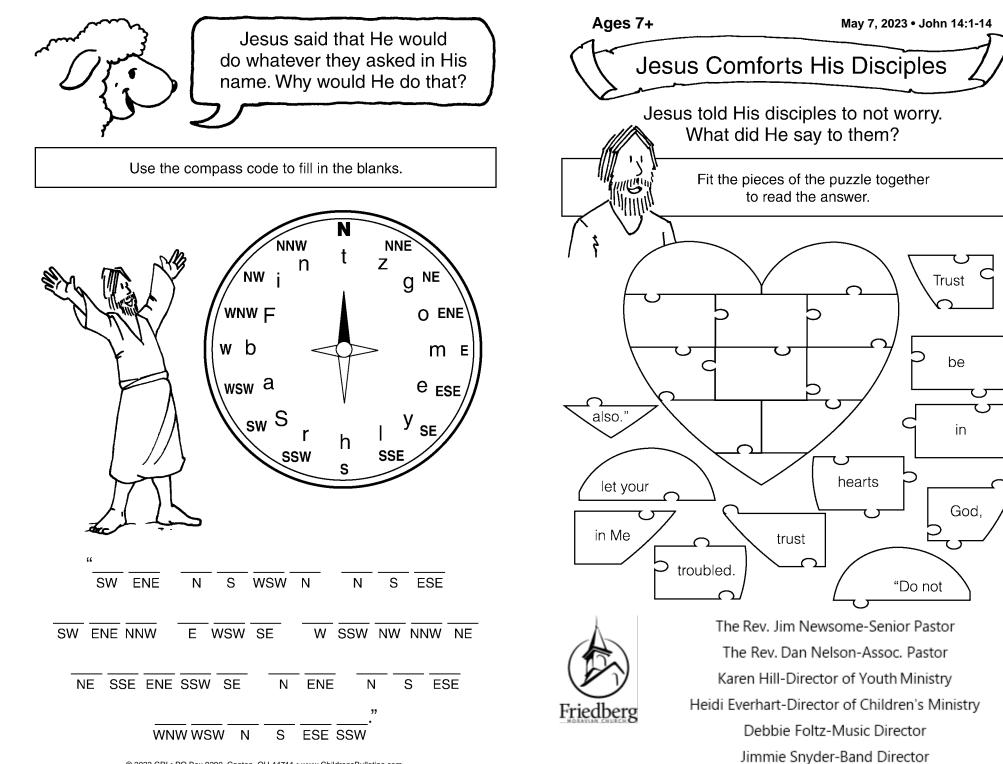
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Dylan Bundy	Dakota Holtzclaw	Colton Scott
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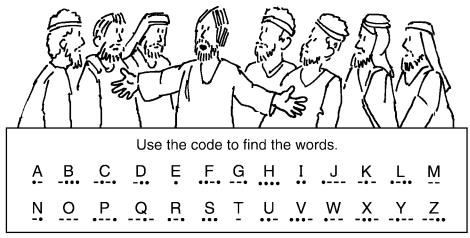
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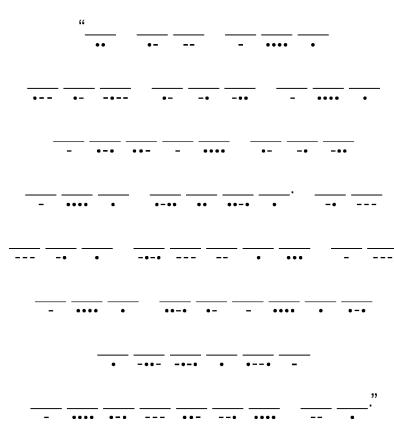
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Jesus told them, "You know the way to the place where I am going." But Thomas said, "Lord, we don't know where You are going, so how can we know the way?" How did Jesus answer?





Then Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us." What did Jesus say?

Write all of the 1's in order. Then return to the top and write all of the 2's in order. Then return to the top and write all of the 3's in order. Do the same with the 4's.

Anyone ¹	Father ²	My ³	Me ⁴	who ¹	and ²
own ³	when 4	has ¹	that 2	Rather ³	I 4
seen ¹	the ²	it ³	say ⁴	Me ¹	Father ²
is ³	that 4	has ¹	is ²	the ³	I 4
seen 1	in ²	Father ³	am ⁴	the ¹	Me ²
living ³	in ⁴	Father ¹	The ²	in ³	the 4
Don't ¹	words ²	Me ³	Father ⁴	you 1	I ²
Who ³	and ⁴	believe ¹	say ²	is ³	the ⁴
that ¹	to ²	doing ³	Father ⁴	I ¹	you ²
His ³	is ⁴	am ¹	are ²	work ³	in ⁴
in ¹	not ²	Believe ³	Me ⁴	the ¹	just ²

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