May 5, 2024 Anniversary Lovefeast

Watchword for the Week – Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises. Psalm 98:4

Welcome to this special service of worship held in celebration of the 251st anniversary of our congregation! For well over two centuries, we have been blessed, protected and guided by the gracious hand of God. He has done, and continues to do, wonderful things in and through the people of Friedberg Moravian Church. To God be all glory, honor, thanksgiving and praise!

About Moravian Lovefeasts: Early Christians met and broke bread together to signify their fellowship, love and unity in the Lord Jesus Christ. In 1727, the Moravian Church revived this practice, and it has established the custom of celebrating the great church festivals by partaking together of a simple meal known as a lovefeast. The first lovefeasts of the Moravian Church in North America were held at Savannah, Georgia during the years 1735 to 1740. The first lovefeast in North Carolina was held on the evening of the arrival of the first Moravian colonists in Bethabara on November 17, 1753.

If you have never been to a lovefeast the following explanation may be helpful. Following the Pastoral Prayer we will join together and sing the hymn *Own Thy Congregation*. While everyone sings, dieners (servers) will come out with baskets of lightly sweetened Moravian Lovefeast Buns. They will pass the baskets down each pew allowing each person to take one of buns. After all have been served, the dieners will exit the sanctuary and return with trays of Moravian Coffee, sweetened with sugar and milk. Cups will be passed down each pew until all have been served. After the dieners leave the sanctuary, we will pray together the Moravian blessing. Then, during our special music, we will partake of the coffee and buns. Afterwards the dieners will return to collect the cups and napkins (please put the napkins and any leftover buns into your cup). The service then continues at the pastor's direction.

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 All Glory Laud and Honor

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn Hymn to Friedberg Insert

(In place of the first hymn on the Lovefeast Ode) (Children ages 4-2nd grade may leave for Children's Church))

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Serving of Lovefeast Ode

Lovefeast Music Great Is Thy Faithfulness Arr. Turner

How Great Thou Art Arr. Raney

Hurlbutt

Giving of Our Tithes and Offering

Prayer

Offertory Because He Lives Dobrinski Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Blue) # 817

Holy Scripture John 21:1-25

Sermon "Fish! Feed! Follow!"

(Part 2 – What About Peter?)

Hymn Sing Hallelujah, Praise the Lord Lovefeast Ode

Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude When in Our Music God Is Glorified Stanford

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Dave Hopkins in honor of his wife, Joy and his children (Sydney, Zoe and a son lost during pregnancy). Dave's prayer for his family is from Isaiah 61:3 that the Lord may "bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord for the display of His splendor."

"Cookies for Christ" – What can God do when the "Body of Christ" gives from the heart for Christ? He can use the "Body of Christ" at Friedberg to reach out and share the love of Christ to encourage and build others up. From your gifts of love, we will purchase Moravian sugar cookies and attach a message of love and thanks to each bag. Each bag will be hand delivered to those serving this nation. It is amazing to see how God can take a simple bag of cookies with a message attached, and touch lives in a way we can never imagine. We will have a special collection period through today, May 5 Checks should be made please payable to Friedberg Moravian Church and reference "Cookies for Christ" or indicate on your offering envelope the amount you would like to give for "Cookies for Christ."

The Baby Bottle Campaign for Salem Pregnancy Care Center will be May 5 - May 26. Pick up a baby bottle, fill it with cash, coins or checks (payable to Salem Pregnancy Care Center) and return them to the narthex, the back of the sanctuary or to the entrance of the Family Life Center by May 26. This campaign is sponsored by the Friedberg Mission Committee.

Senior Friends Fellowship will travel to West Jefferson on Thursday, May 9 to further explore this interesting mountain town. Lunch choices will be chosen individually. Buses will leave the lower parking lot at 10:00 am. Call or email Carol if you want more information or if you would like to reserve a seat(s). bcknouse@yahoo.com or 336-764-1353.

On Saturday, May 18, 2024, at 5:00pm, <u>Bethabara Moravian Church</u> invites you to join them for a simple dinner and movie. The movie is "Letter to the American Church" which is based on the book by Eric Metaxas by the same name. If you will, please RSVP (at <u>concernedmoravians@gmail.com</u>) your attendance and number attending by <u>May 10, 2024</u>, so that Bethabara can plan for meal preparation needs. Invite your fellow church members, family and friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc. It's that important to know what is facing the church today! This meal and movie will be in Bethabara's Fellowship Hall. Bethabara Moravian is located at 2100 Bethabara Road, Winston Salem, NC 27106.

The Provincial Men's Spiritual Retreat will be June 28-June 30 at Laurel Ridge. Rev. Dr. Dion Christopher will be the session leader in "Men Whose Heart God Has Touched". The registration fees are \$317/single occupancy and \$192/double occupancy. The registration fees do include meals. To register please contact Karen Eagle via email at guests@laurelridge.org or call 336-359-2951 ext. 231.

We will be welcoming new members into our church family on Sunday, May 19. If you are interested in joining, please contact one of the pastors or call the church office. (336) 764-1830.

Friedberg will be hosting a blood drive on Sunday, June 2 from 12:30 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. To make an appointment please go to https://www.redcross.org, call the church office at (336) 764-1830 or call Chuck Stone at (336) 978-5537.

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.

Sunday, May 5 (Anniversary Lovefeast)

9:15 a.m.	Band Prelude
9:25 a.m.	Prayer Partners-Parlor
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Worship/Livestream in the Sanctuary
4:30 p.m.	C.R.O.S.S. Kids
4:30 p.m.	Youth

Monday, May 6

6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts
7:00 p.m.	C.E. Board Meeting
7:00 n m	Boy Scouts

Tuesday, May 7

6:00 p.m. Women's Fellowship Executive Board Meeting
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Wednesday, May 8

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Thursday, May 9

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

Sunday, May 12 (Mother's Day)

Band Prelude
Prayer Partners-Parlor
Sunday School
Worship/Livestream in the Sanctuary

FRIEDBERG MORAVIAN CHURCH PRAYER CONCERNS

May 5, 2024

MEMBERS

Jo Brann	Robbie Joyce	Mary Lou Pitts
Phil Carter	Mark Kimel	Martha Plyler
Al Coleman	Yvonne Lemons	Wanda Russell
John DeLapp	Rebecca Mickey	Betty Sink
Emily Essick	Margaret Miller	Clay Sink
Jerry Evans	Ted Miller	Rory Smith
Glenda Farrington	Gary Murphy	Lou Snyder
Don Faust	Bobby Myers	Jerry & Gail Tolley
Gary Fitts	Reba Payne	Michelle Tucker
J.T. Hopkins	Kolton Pennell	Pat Watson

Family and Friends Prayer Concerns Submitted Since Last Sunday:

Aleene Crater, Aleigha Griffin, Whitey Martin, Margie Newsome, Wendy Sharpe and Shirley Womack

MEMBERS AND RELATIVES IN MILITARY

Dylan Coleman	Alex Kennedy	Jon Eric Spaar, Jr.
Ben Greeson	Patrick Mickey	Ryan Spach
Jennifer Greenwood	Daniel Randleman	Brandon Thompson
Dakota Holtzclaw	Colton Scott	Aidan Wheeler

MISSIONARIES AND MINISTRIES RECEIVING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM FRIEDBERG

ARMF (Armando Rusindo Mission Foundation)

Safie Braima - Sierra Leone

Charlie & Vicki Brent - CRU (Campus Crusade), Texas A & M University

Michael and Brenda Brent - CRU (Campus Crusade), Croatia

Anna Stewart Faircloth - Young Life

Keith Graham - Cookies for Christ

Dusty and Christin Harrison – Intervarsity, Clemson University

Hoof and Paw Therapeutic Riding and Activity Center

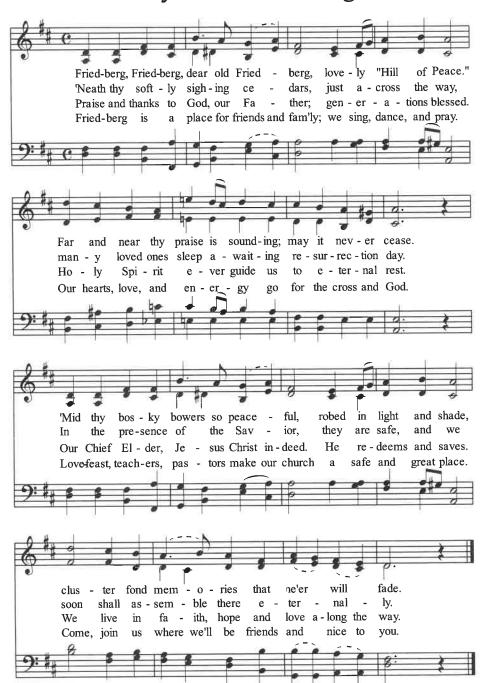
Phil III & Eunice Raiford, Commission to Every Nation (CTEN) - Mexico

Michael and Ceci Tesh, Ray of Hope Orphanage - Kenya

Friends of Moravian Prison Ministry

Joey Yokely - Fellowship of Christian Athletes

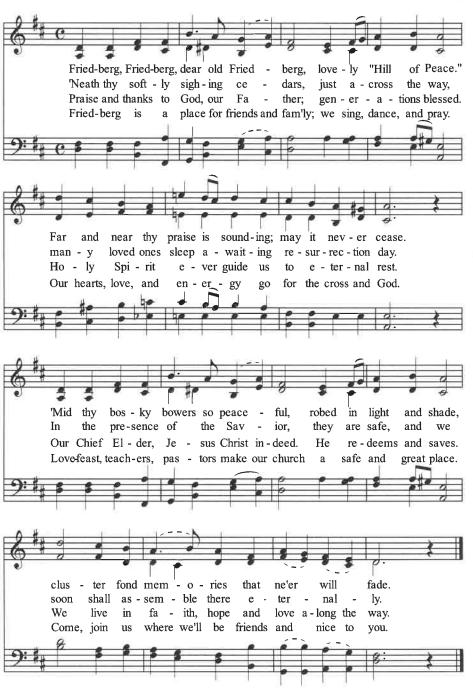
Hymn to Friedberg



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If you are a high school or college graduate, please do the following online by May 10^{th.}

Go to https://www.friedberg.church/2024-graduates

- Fill out the graduate form.
- Click on "Choose File" and upload your graduation/senior photo.
- Click "Submit your information."

As you close this chapter in your book of life, always remember God has a plan and purpose for everything. Jeremiah 29:11 says, "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

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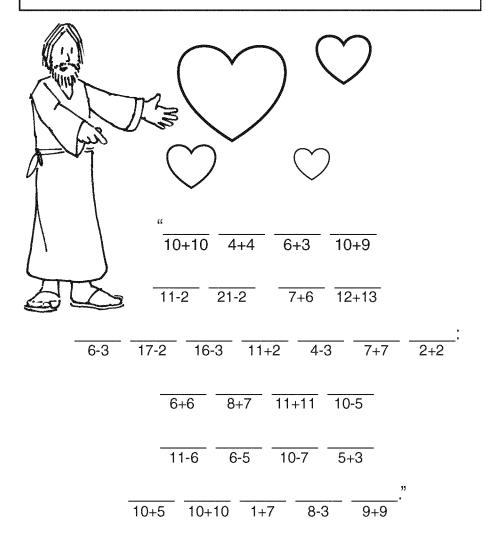
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Jesus gave a command for us all.

Solve each math problem.
Use the alphabet code to fill the blanks.

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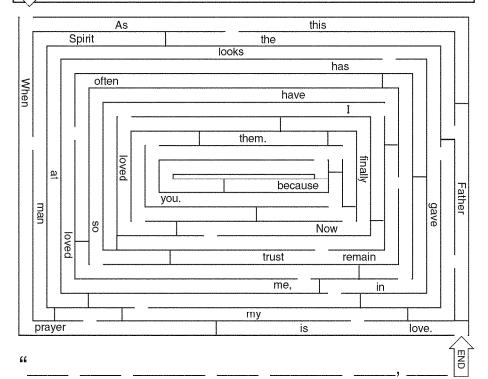


A Greater Love

Jesus instructed His disciples.

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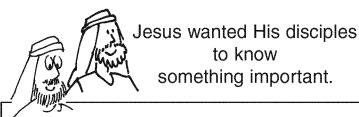
Find what Jesus said by following the correct path and writing the words on the lines below.



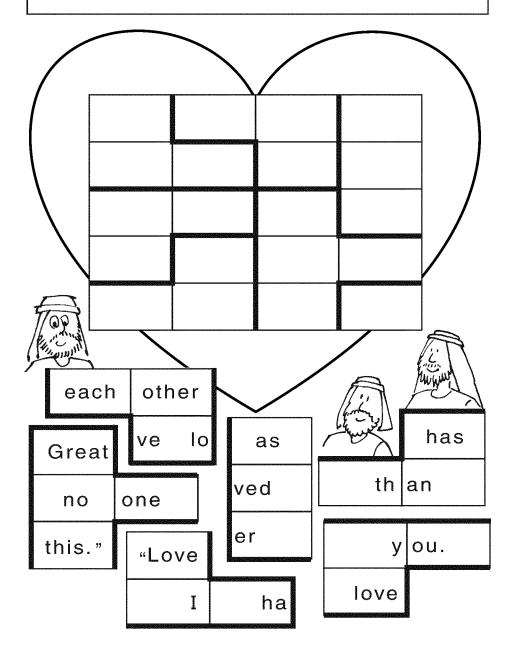


The Rev. Jim Newsome-Senior Pastor
The Rev. Dan Nelson-Assoc. Pastor
Karen Hill-Director of Youth Ministry
Heidi Everhart-Director of Children's Ministry
Debbie Foltz-Music Director
Jimmie Snyder-Band Director

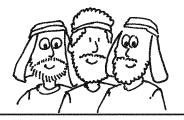
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Fit the pieces in the puzzle.



Jesus did not call His disciples "servants." What did He call them?





Write the letter missing from the second word in each set.

The resulting word is the answer.

