

**November 17, 2024
Church Council Sunday**

Watchword for the Week – Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for God who has promised is faithful. Hebrews 10:23

Welcome to our service of worship on this glorious Sunday morning! How wonderful to know that in the midst of life's many changes our God is always the same. His love is strong; His wisdom is perfect; His grace is sufficient to cover all our sins. He is worthy of all glory, honor, thanksgiving and praise. As we worship Him today, let us pray for a fresh outpouring of His Holy Spirit, upon ourselves, our church, our community, nation and world. May more and more people everywhere hear and respond to the Good News -- that Jesus is the Way; the Truth; the Life; the only source of salvation.

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 *I Would Be Like Jesus* Ackley

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn *Join We All with One Accord* (Blue) # 525

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Giving of Our Tithes and Offering

Prayer
Anthem *Thanksgiving Cannon* Page
Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* (Blue) # 817

Holy Scripture Hebrews 10:23-25

Sermon "Holding Fast to Hope,
Holding Fast to Jesus"

Hymn *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less* (Blue) # 771
(Visitors and friends may leave during the singing of this hymn
as we prepare to begin our annual Church Council)

**Church Council Agenda
November 17, 2024**

Call to Order

Establishment of Quorum

Prayer

Reading of 2023 Minutes

Signing of *The Moravian Covenant for Christian Living*

Members who have not yet had an opportunity to publicly affirm their agreement with this important set of principles by which we live and bear witness to our faith are invited to come forward and do so at this time.

Presentation of Ballots and Nominations from the Floor

PLEASE DO NOT MARK YOUR BALLOTS UNTIL INSTRUCTED TO DO SO.

It is important to wait until all ballots are distributed and nominations are closed before marking your ballot. This is done in fairness to those who may be nominated from the floor. Please hold on to your ballot until everyone has voted. We will then pass all ballots in.

Voting

Presentation of 2025 Budget

Reports from Ministry Groups

Floor is Open for Comments and Motions

Any member in good standing who would like to present a motion for consideration or would like to address Church Council with words of praise or concern regarding the life and ministry of the congregation is invited to do so at this time. All who speak are asked to keep in mind the Moravian Covenant of Christian Living and these words of Holy Scripture:

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God with whom you are sealed for the day of redemption.

(Ephesians 4:29-30, NIV)

Adjournment and Closing Prayer

There will be NO Children's Church or Kid's Worship Today.

Our Thanksgiving Eve Lovefeast will be on Wednesday, November 27 at 7:30 p.m., with a band prelude at 7:00 p.m. Invite your family, friends, neighbors, classmates and co-workers to join our church family for this special service of worship. Please bring canned goods and non-perishable grocery items for Sunnyside Ministry. A love offering will be received with 100% of the money passed on to ministries and helping agencies in our community.

If you pre-ordered a 2025 Moravian Daily Text, please pick up your copy from the church office. Regular print copies are \$11.00 and large print copies are \$14.00

Circle 2 is selling New Crop Pecans during the month of November. The price is \$12 for a 1-pound bag. You can purchase them from any Circle 2 member or at Piedmont Fence on Hwy 150 at Miller's Creek. For questions, please reach out to Michelle Tucker at 336-408-0477 or tucked88@yahoo.com.

“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 **November 17**. 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.”

If you don't like to drive at night, we are offering an opportunity to fellowship while trimming some candles early this year. The dates will be November 20, 22, 25 and 27. The time will be from 10:00 a.m. until noon each of these dates. We will still have our regular candle trimming on Tuesday, December 3 at 6:00 p.m. along with a potluck supper.

The 2025 Flower Calendar for sanctuary flowers is posted on the bulletin board behind the church office (across from the nursery). Please sign up if you would like to provide flowers in the sanctuary for our worship services in 2025.

The Senior Choir has notecards and prints available for sale from our 250th Anniversary fundraiser last year. There are two different designs to choose from. We also have a few frames available for a ready to display gift. Notecards are \$8.00 per pack of 12 cards or two packs for \$15.00. Prints are \$15 for 5x7, \$25 for 8x10, \$35 for 11x14. Stop by the choir loft following worship to purchase.

The Senior Choir will be going to the Forsyth Jail and Prison for our annual Christmas Lovefeast on December 5th. We have taken needed items for the inmates for the last few years and this year they would like help with the items they use for the hygiene bags. These include FULL SIZE SHAMPOO, FULL SIZE TOOTHPASTE, FULL SIZE DEODORANT (NO SPRAY just roll-on please), FULL SIZE BAR SOAP, AND TOOTHBRUSHES. These things can be found at the dollar store or Walmart. If you would like to help us with this collection, there will be containers located around the church as well as outside the choir room. Please consider helping with this project. The collection will end December 4th. Any questions, feel free to reach out to me. The Men's Fellowship will be helping us with this collection this year so hopefully we can supply lots of items to help. Thank you so much! Dawnyelle Leonard on behalf of the Senior Choir

Fall clothing is in high demand at Sunnyside Ministry. As we enter the winter season, Sunnyside is in desperate need of coats, heavy sweaters, blue jeans and sweatpants and sweatshirts. They also need infant/toddler diapers and linens and towels. The large white collection box for these items is near the elevator behind the nurseries. The Sunnyside collection box for food items is near the stairs behind the church office.

First Friday Breakfast – Join us December 6 at 7:00 a.m.! Pastor Jim is our speaker with a devotional for Advent, a great start to this season when we celebrate the hope, peace, joy and love our Savior brought to us by His birth.

FRIEDBERG MORAVIAN CHURCH PRAYER CONCERNS

November 17, 2024

Sunday, November 17 (Church Council Sunday)

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

Monday, November 18

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

Tuesday, November 19

7:00 p.m. Elders Meeting

Wednesday, November 20

9:30 a.m. Chosen Bible Study at home of Lisa Jackson
10:00 a.m. Candle Wrapping
6:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Program practice
6:15 p.m. Hand Bell Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 21

9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
1:30 p.m. Bethel Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Youth Christmas Program Practice
7:00 p.m. Bethel Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball

Friday, November 22

10:00 a.m. Candle Wrapping

Sunday, November 24

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
12:15 p.m. *Morning Star* Practice in Sanctuary
12:30 p.m. HS Youth Christmas Shopping
4:30 p.m. C.R.O.S.S. Kids
4:30 p.m. MS Youth

MEMBERS

Ed Bradley	Mark Kimel	Martha Plyler
Phil Carter	Pat Lambeth-Watson	Wanda Russell
Edith Crook	Yvonne Lemons	Nick Saunders
Dawn Davenport	Judy MacLeod	Betty Sink
Linda Ernst	Rebecca Mickey	Larry Snyder
Emily Essick	Ted Miller	Lou Snyder
Jerry Evans	Jo Moore	Gray Stanfield
Don Faust	Stamie Moore	Jerry & Gail Tolley
Gary Fitts	Reba Payne	Michelle Tucker
Caroline Hanes	Kolton Pennell	Joan Tutterow
Ronnie Hedgecock	Mary Lou Pitts	Philip Whitney

Family and Friends Prayer Concerns Submitted Since Last Sunday:
Brady Hill, Family of Mason Hollar, Randy Johnson, Emily Llewellyn, Family of Jeannie May, Kristin Nichols, Elizabeth & Matthew Rogers,

MEMBERS AND RELATIVES IN MILITARY

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

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

Current prayer concerns: Dawn Davenport has received a diagnosis of lung cancer. Stamie Moore is a patient at Hugh Chatham Hospital. Edith Crook has a compression fracture in her vertebrae. Lou Snyder is having additional issues with AFib. The family of Tommy Thomas. Tommy passed away on Thursday, November 14.



**Sunday, December 8
4:30 pm in the Family Life Center**

Join us for a special evening of music, spoken word,
and a moving depiction of the greatest story ever told!!
Featuring musical performances by

- Zach Williams
- The Bonner Family
- One Voice Children's Choir
- Matt Maher
- Brandon Lake
- Andrea & Matteo Bocelli
- Phil Wickham

Invite your neighbors, family and friends to come and see!

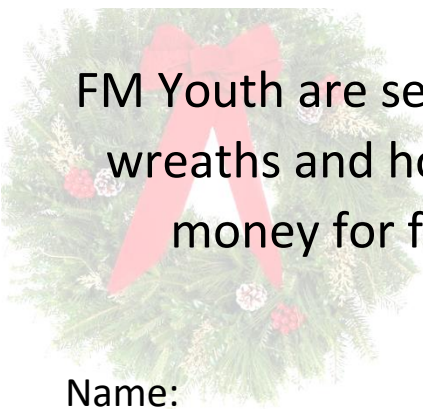


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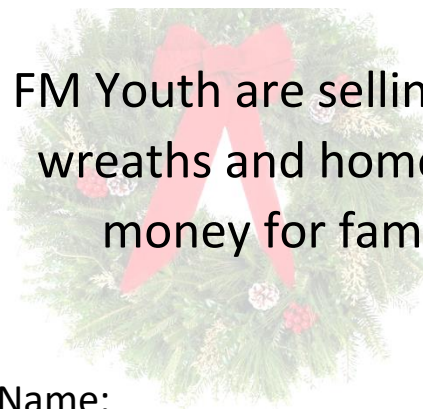
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Sponsored by The Disciples Class

Collecting from November 1-30

Donations will benefit:

- Family Services
- Bethesda Center for the Homeless
- Crossnore Communities for Children
- Samaritan Ministries

Items Needed:

- Baby Wipes
- Diapers or Pull Ups
- Hand Warmers
- Large containers of Seasonings
- Gloves
- Adult Socks
- Twin Sheets
- Twin Blankets of Comforters
- Men's Deodorant
- Canned Meats or Vegetables
- Laundry Pods
- Bath Towels
- Natural Hair Products - Shampoo, Conditioner, Leave in Conditioner, Curl Cream (suggested brands - Cantu, SheaMoisture, Pattern)

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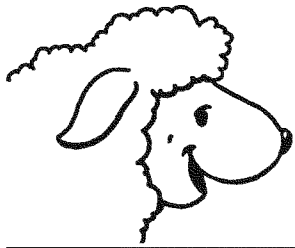
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Jeus told the disciples something very important!
What was it?

Follow the arrows and write the letters on the lines.



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Signs of Things to Come

Jesus and His disciples were leaving the temple.
Find what one of the disciples said.

Fit the blocks in the column.

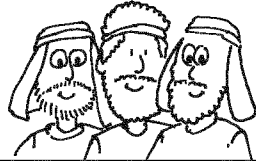
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The Rev. Jim Newsome-Senior Pastor
The Rev. Dan Nelson-Assoc. Pastor
Karen Hill-Director of Youth Ministry
Heidi Everhart-Director of Children's Ministry
Debbie Foltz-Music Director
Jimmie Snyder-Band Director

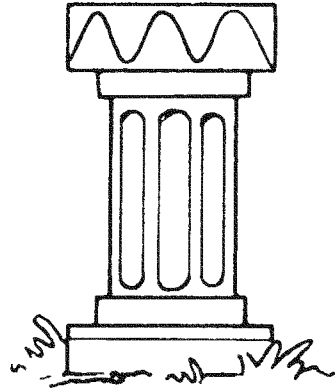


What did Jesus say?



First write all of the 1's on the lines, then the 2's, etc.

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What did Peter, James, John and Andrew ask Jesus?

Use the code to find the question.

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