

January 12, 2025
First Sunday after the Epiphany

Watchword for the Week – God said, “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are Mine.” Isaiah 43:1

Welcome to our service of worship for this first Sunday in a season of the church year called Epiphany. During Christmas we celebrate Jesus coming as the Light of the World. Epiphany focuses on His Light shining forth in ever widening circles to touch the hearts of people everywhere. As we worship today may the love of God the Father burn warmly in our hearts and may the Holy Spirit rekindle in each of us a passion to light our world with the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ. He is the Way, the Truth and the Life - the only source of salvation.

If you are visiting with us today we are especially glad you are 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 that you will return and worship with us in the weeks to come. If you are looking for a church home, we would love to talk with you about joining the Friedberg church family.

Prelude *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* Arr. James

Welcome and Announcements

Friedberg's 2025 Watchword (read in unison)
For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have eternal life.
(John 3:16, NRSV)

Hymn *Jesus Loves Me* Insert
Children ages 4-2nd grade may leave for Children's Church
and those in grades 3-5 may leave for Kid's Worship

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn *Jesus Makes My Heart Rejoice* (Blue) # 662

Giving to God Our Tithes and Offerings

Prayer

Offertory *Wonderful Merciful Savior* Rodgers/Wyse
Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* (Blue) # 817

Sermon “God's Great Gift of Love”
(John 3:16 – Friedberg's 2025 Watchword)

Holy Communion In Celebration of the Atonement (Blue) p.196

Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude *We Who Here Together* Covenant

Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Donald Holt Faust. Don passed away on Wednesday, January 8, 2025. His graveside service will be on Tuesday, January 14 at 2:00 p.m. at Forsyth Memorial Park. Please pray for his wife Frances.

The Membership Class date was changed due to the winter weather. It will be held on Friday, January 17 at 6:00 p.m. and on Saturday, January 18 at 9:00 a.m. This class is for anyone interested in becoming a member of the Friedberg Congregation, or those wanting to learn more about Friedberg and the Moravian Church. If you would like to be a part of the class, please call the church office at 336-764-1830.

The Chosen — the groundbreaking television series depicting the ministry of Jesus as seen through the eyes of those whom He called. Get a feeling of what it might have been like in 1st century Judea to be under heavy oppression and taxation of Rome and to have your world turned upside down by this Man and His revolutionary ideas. We will start Season One today (weather permitting) at 4:30 p.m. in the sanctuary, showing two episodes each week with discussion following. If you have any questions, contact Lisa Jackson at lrjackson6184@gmail.com or (336) 416-9742. Invite your friends and neighbors to come and see!

The 2024 giving statements for members will be distributed in January. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

Salem Band will perform its annual Winter Concert on Sunday, February 23 at 3:00 p.m. in Hanes Auditorium. This event is free and open to the public. Contact Dr. Eileen Young at musicdirector@salem.band.org for more information.

All parents who have a child in Children's Church and Kid's Worship will be required to physically come down to the Children's Center and Pathfinders Sunday School Class at the end of worship to pick up their child.

FRIEDBERG MORAVIAN CHURCH PRAYER CONCERNS

January 12, 2025

Sunday, January 12 (Communion for Epiphany)

9:15 a.m. Band Prelude
9:15 a.m. Prayer Partners – Parlor
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship/Livestream
4:30 p.m. The Chosen – Sanctuary
4:30 p.m. Youth Parent Night – FH

Monday, January 13

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

Tuesday, January 14

10:00 a.m. Circle 1 – Discovery Classroom
10:00 a.m. Circle 5 – Parlor
6:00 p.m. Circle 2
6:00 p.m. Circle 3 – Discovery Classroom
6:30 p.m. Circle 4

Wednesday, January 15

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 16

9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
1:30 p.m. Bethel Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Bethel Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball

Friday, January 17

6:00 p.m. Membership Class

Saturday, January 18

9:00 a.m. Membership Class

Sunday, January 19

9:15 a.m. Band Prelude
9:15 a.m. Prayer Partners – Parlor
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship/Livestream
4:30 p.m. The Chosen – Sanctuary
4:30 p.m. Youth
4:30 p.m. CROSS Kids

MEMBERS

Ed Bradley	Barbara Koonts	Betty Sink
Phil Carter	Pat Lambeth-Watson	Larry Snyder
Edith Crook	Yvonne Lemons	Lou Snyder
Dawn Davenport	Carolyn Mason	Howard Spangler
Emily Essick	Rebecca Mickey	Gray Stanfield
Jerry Evans	Reba Payne	Paulette Taylor
Bonnie Fishel	Kolton Pennell	Jerry & Gail Tolley
Denece Glass	Mary Lou Pitts	Michelle Tucker
Ronnie Hedgecock	Martha Plyler	Joan Tutterow
Mark Kimel	Wanda Russel	Chuck Willard
Carol Knouse	Nick Saunders	Vince Young

Family and Friends Prayer Concerns Submitted Since Last Sunday:

Patsy Barneycastle, Tim Boger, Joan McClamrock and her family

MEMBERS AND RELATIVES IN MILITARY

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

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: Emily Essick has pneumonia. The family of Don Faust. Don passed away on 1/8/25, and his funeral is on 1/14/25. Denece Glass had a knee replacement on 1/7/25. Ronnie Hedgecock had a hip injection on 1/10/25. Mark Kimel had cancer surgery on 1/6/25. Barbara Koonts is in the hospital after suffering a seizure. Lou Snyder has AFib and will be having another procedure next week. The family of Linda Weisner. Her funeral will be on 1/18/25. Chuck Willard is recovering from a serious sinus infection.

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Anna Bartlett Warner, 1820-1915 (1859)

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William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868 (1861) a.

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2. Je - sus from His throne on high Came in - to this
3. Je - sus loves me! He Who died Heav - en's gate to
4. Je - sus, take this heart of mine; Make it pure and

tells me so. Lit - tle ones to Him be-long; They are weak but
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REFRAIN

He is strong.
on the tree.
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live for Thee.

Yes, Je - sus loves me, The Bi - ble tells me so. A - MEN.

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Jesus' identity as God's Son was made very clear by John and by God himself.

Write the numbered words in the blanks to find what the voice from heaven said to Jesus.

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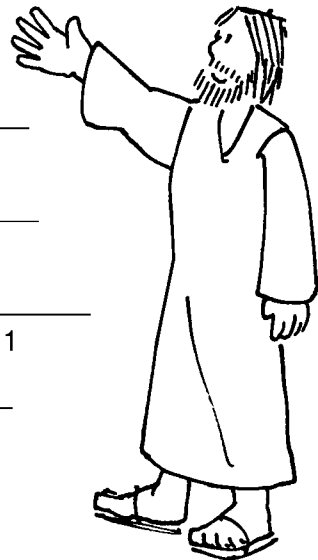
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“ _____ 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____
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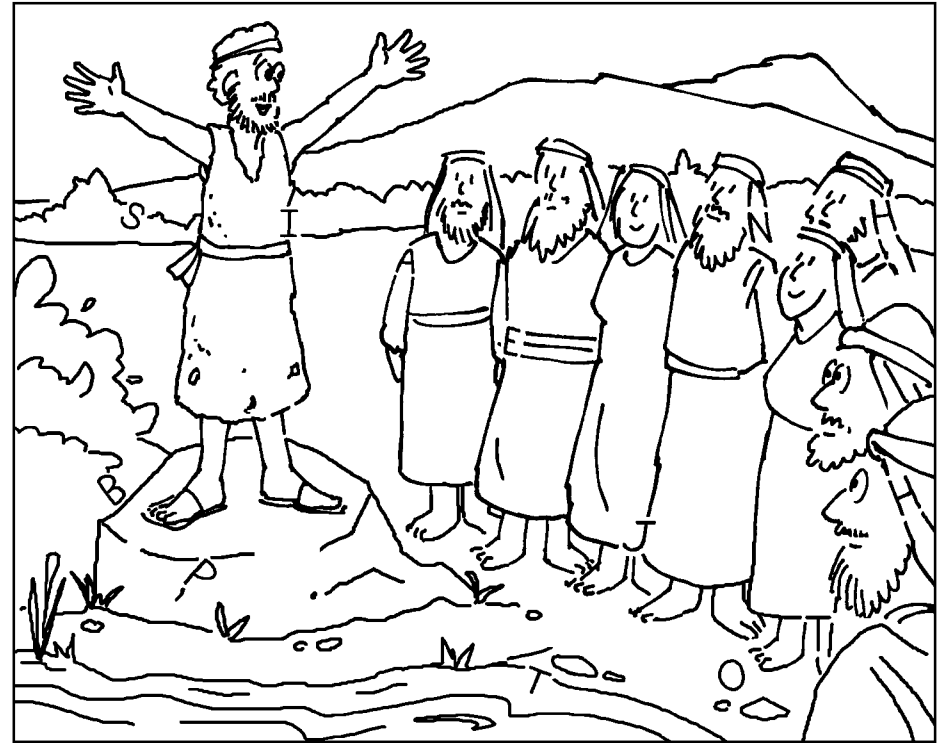
Ages 7+

January 12, 2025 • Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Jesus Is Baptized

A certain man preached in the desert and baptized in the Jordan River.

Find the preacher's name hidden in the picture.



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

