

May 3, 2026
Anniversary Lovefeast

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 this special service of worship held in celebration of the 253rd anniversary of our congregation! For over two hundred fifty years, 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 in singing the hymns in the lovefeast ode. While everyone sings, dieners (servers) will come out with baskets of lightly sweetened Moravian Lovefeast Buns. They will pass the baskets down the pews allowing each person to take a bun. 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 *Hosanna* Krug

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn *Hymn to Friedberg* Lovefeast Ode
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

Serving of the Lovefeast Lovefeast Ode

Lovefeast Music *When Jesus Wept* Eithun
All Hail the Power Arr. Larson

Giving to God Our Tithes and Offerings

Prayer
Offertory *More About Jesus* Sweney
Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* (Blue) # 817

Holy Scripture 1 Corinthians 3:10-15

Sermon “The Hill of Peace”

Hymn *Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord* Lovefeast Ode

Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude *Find Us Faithful* Mohr

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today by Chris and Tina Hayward in celebration of their 29th wedding anniversary on Saturday, May 9th.

Thank you to the Sr. Bell Choir for their gift of music today in celebration of Friedberg’s anniversary. This service will end their season as they will break for the summer but will return to rehearsals after Labor Day. If you’re interested in ringing handbells, feel free to speak to one of the ringers or to Debbie Foltz, their director. Ringing handbells is one of the best examples of teamwork, but ringing for Jesus makes it the very best fun!

Kid’s Worship Music will be held right after worship for about 15 minutes for 3rd thru 5th graders. Pickup will be in the Choir Room. During this time, all Children’s Church and Kid’s Worship families are invited for coffee, snacks, and fellowship in the Pathways classroom.

Organ Fund – Just a reminder, an **Organ Fund** was established a couple of years ago to help offset the cost of repairs and upkeep of our one of a kind magnificent organ. There is a planned major repair and service on the organ for later in the summer. If you'd like to give to the Organ Fund, you can online at www.friedberg.church or by adding "Organ Fund" to your giving envelope. Thank you, Board of Trustees

Nursery Volunteers for Next Sunday, 5/10/2026:

Sunday School: Melissa Davis, 2nd Needed
Worship Service – Infant: Melissa Davis, 2nd Needed
Worship Service – Toddler: Jannell Rowe, 2nd Needed
 If you can volunteer, please contact Amanda Fine.

Sunday, May 3 (Anniversary Lovefeast)

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. CROSS Kids
 4:30 p.m. Youth – FH

Monday, May 4

8:00 a.m. Walking – FLC
 6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts – Youth Rm
 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts – FH
 7:00 p.m. C.E. Board – Discovery Rm

Tuesday, May 5

6:00 p.m. Women's Fellowship Ex. Board – Discovery Rm

Wednesday, May 6

8:00 a.m. Walking – FLC
 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 7

9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study – Discovery Rm
 7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball – FLC

Friday, May 8

8:00 a.m. Walking – FLC
 9:00 a.m. WF Chicken Pie Committee – Kitchen

Sunday, May 10 (Mother's Day)

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

Friedberg Moravian Church
Prayer List – May 3, 2026

Members

Phil Carter	Mark Kimel	Wanda Russell
Sandra Chambers	Pat Lambeth-Watson	Bill Sides
Franklin Clark	Yvonne Lemons	Bonnie Sides
Sherry Edwards	Carol Ann Little	Betty Sink
Emily Essick	John Mason	Gray Stanfield
Jerry Evans	Darrell Metcalf	Andy Stone
Bonnie Fishel	Rebecca Mickey	Larry Tesh
Kelly Forrest	Reba Payne	Jerry Tolley
Lula Jackson	Gloria Peters	Michelle Tucker
Larry Jarvis	Mary Lou Pitts	Marlin Wagner
Family of Gail Ketner	Martha Plyler	Norm West
Charlie Kimel	Rod Randolph	Janet Williamson

Family and Friends

Woody Branch, Todd Jarvis, Joy Kastman, Ken Love, Arthur Surgeon,
 Family of Judy Tayloe, Frank Williams

Members and Relatives in the Military

Dean Brendle	Daniel Randleman	Brandon Thompson
Jennifer Greenwood	Colton Scott	Aidan Wheeler
Ben Greeson	Jon Eric Spaar, Jr.	
J.R. Lingerfelt	Ryan Spach	

Missionaries and Ministries

Armando Rusindo Mission Foundation (ARMF)
 Safie Braima in Sierra Leone
 Charlie and Vicki Brent with Cru at Texas A&M University
 Michael and Brenda Brent with Cru in Croatia
 Anna Stewart Faircloth with Young Life
 Keith Graham with Cookies for Christ
 Dusty and Christin Harrison with InterVarsity at Clemson University
 Hoof and Paw Therapeutic Riding and Activity Center
 Michael and Ceci Tesh with Ray of Hope Orphanage in Kenya
 Friends of Moravian Prison Ministry
 Joey Yokely with Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Current prayer concerns: Woody Branch has several serious health issues. Woody is Fonda Rosenbaum's uncle. Kelly Forrest is having a second knee replacement on 5/4/26. Joy Kastman is dealing with pain. Joy is Sheila Blower's mom. Family of Gail Ketner. Gail passed away on 4/26/26, and her service was on 4/30/26 at Friedberg. Mary Lou Pitts was hospitalized with an infection. Bill Sides had toe surgery on 4/30/26. Arthur Surgeon has prostate cancer. He is a friend of Bill Womack. Family of Judy Tayloe. Judy passed away on 4/29/26. She and her husband Johnnie are friends of our congregation. Janet Williamson is having kidney surgery on 5/4/26.

Highly favored congregation,
Loved by Jesus and esteemed,
Ne'er forget your destination,
Why from this vain world redeemed.

Batty (16 A)

Grounded on your Savior's merit,
Blessed in His communion sweet,
Destined heaven to inherit,
And the Church above to meet.

Witness here to all around you
Of your Savior's dying love;
Tell them how He sought and found you,
Gave you grace from heav'n above.

OFFERING

ANTHEM

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

HOLY SCRIPTURE

MESSAGE

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!
He with you deals bounteously.
Highly favored Church of Jesus,
He chose you through mercy free
To show forth His matchless praises
And rich fruit, blessed for the Master's use,
To produce, to produce.

Holy Lord (119 A)

Gracious Lord, gracious Lord,
Blessed is our lot indeed
In Your ransomed congregation;
Here we on Your merits feed,
And the well-springs of salvation,
All the needy to revive and cheer,
Stream forth here, stream forth here.

We entreat, we entreat,
Lord, lift up Your countenance
On Your ransomed congregations;
Grace to ev'ry soul dispense.
May we in our situations
Daily in Your great salvation share.
Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

BENEDICTION

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Congregational Lovefeast Ode

Friedberg, Friedberg, dear old Friedberg,
Lovely "Hill of Peace".
Far and near Thy praise is sounding,
May it never cease.
'Mid thy bosky bowers so peaceful,
Robed in light and shade,
Cluster fond memories
That ne'er will fade.

'Neath thy softly sighing cedars,
Just across the way,
Many loved one's sleep
Awaiting resurrection day.
In the presence of the Saviour,
They are safe, and we
Soon shall assemble
There eternally.

Praise and thanks to God, our Father;
Generations blessed!
Holy Spirit ever guide us
To eternal rest.
Our Chief Elder, Jesus Christ indeed.
He redeems and saves.
We live in faith, hope
And love along the way.

Friedberg is a place for friends and fam'ly;
We sing and dance and pray.
Our hearts, love and energy go
For the cross and God.
Lovefeast, teachers, pastors make our church
A safe and great place.
Come join us where we'll be friends
And _ nice to you.

We are called into a Christian fellowship by the Lord Jesus Christ, according to the eternal purpose of God the Father (Ephesians 3:11) by the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:18-21), and as members of Christ's Body, the Church, to serve all people by proclaiming the gospel and witnessing to our faith by word and deed.

PRAYER

(Dieters will serve buns and coffee. Please take a bun and pass the basket. Pass the coffee mugs to the next person until all are served. After the blessing, we will partake together.)

Confession (39A)

What brought us together, what joined our hearts?
The pardon which Jesus, our High Priest, imparts;
'Tis this which cements the disciples of Christ,
Who are into one by the Spirit baptized.

O yes, having found in the Lord our delight,
He is our chief object by day and by night;
This knits us together; no longer we roam;
We all have one Father, and heaven is our home.

Christian hearts, in love united, Cassel (167A)
Seek alone in Jesus rest;
Has He not your love excited?
Then let love inspire each breast.
Members on our Head depending,
Lights reflecting Him, our Sun,
Brethren His commands attending,
We in Him, our Lord, are one.

O that such may be our union
As Thine with the Father is,
And not one of our communion
E'er forsake the path of bliss;
May our light break forth with brightness
From Thy light reflected shine;
Thus the world will bear us witness
That we, Lord, are truly Thine.

They who follow Jesus 'followers are Herrnhut (11A)
And enjoy His faithful care,
By a mutual, hearty love
Their belief in Jesus prove.

May it to the world appear
That we Your disciples are
By our loving mutually,
By our Christian unity.

Welcome among Your flock of grace Pilgrimage (166A)
With joyful acclamation,
Our Shepherd whom we now confess!
Come, feed Your congregation.
We own the doctrine of Your cross
To be our sole foundation;
Accept from every one of us
The deepest adoration.

Lord Jesus, for our call of grace,
To praise Your name in fellowship
We humbly meet before Your face
And in Your presence love-feast keep.
Shed in our hearts Your love abroad,
Your Spirit's blessing now impart;
Grant we may all, O Lamb of God,
In You be truly one in heart.

Jesus' love unbounded Berthelsdorf (141 A)
None can e'er explain,
Yet we, His disciples,
Often cause Him pain;
Even they forget Him
Who have seen His face;
Even they still grieve Him
Who enjoy His grace.

While we Your past dealings
Gratefully review,
We're assured Your mercies
Are each morning new,
Pardon our transgressions,
Hear our earnest cry;
Us in soul and body
Heal and sanctify.

THE MORAVIAN BLESSING
*Come, Lord Jesus, our Guest to be,
And bless these gifts bestowed by Thee.
Bless Thy dear ones everywhere,
And keep them in Thy loving care. Amen*

SPECIAL MUSIC

(After the partaking, dieters will collect the cups while the congregation sings the following hymns.)

'Tis a pleasant thing to see Graceham (581 K)
Brothers in the Lord agree;
Sisters of a God of love
Live as they shall live above;
Acting each a Christian part
One in word and one in heart.

Where divine affection lives,
There the Lord His blessing gives;
There His will on earth is done;
There His heav'n is half begun.
Great example from above,
Teach us all like You to love.

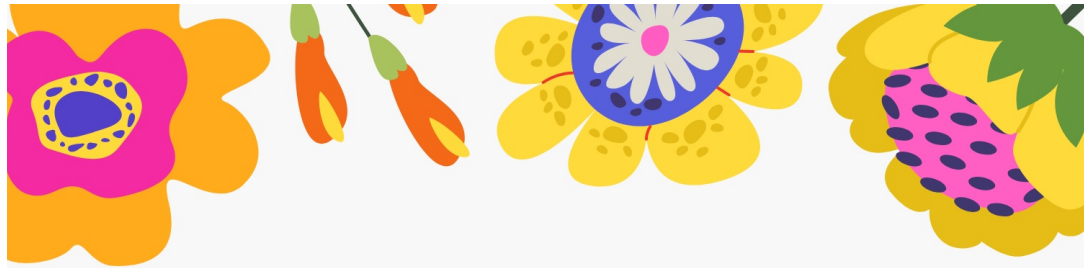
DAY OF PRAYER

Service

*Join us for a meaningful
time of community prayer
and fellowship at Good
Hope Church.*

May 7 at 7:00 PM

Good Hope Church



Friedberg Moravian Women's Fellowship

SPRING BAZAAR

Saturday, May 30

9am - 2pm

Free Admission | Rain or Shine

**40+ INDOOR & OUTDOOR VENDORS,
FOOD, SILENT AUCTION, & MORE!**

Baked Goods

Clothing

Crafts

Handmade Items

Jewelry

Moravian Items

Plants

Seasonal Decor

Unique Gifts

Vintage Items

Woodworking

& More!



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2026 *Graduation*

Dear Seniors,

Congratulations! We are so proud of all your hard work and dedication in reaching this important milestone. Friedberg Moravian Youth would love to celebrate and honor you on Sunday, June 7, 2026, and we need your help! If you are graduating from high school or college, please complete the following by May 10:

1. Go to friedberg.church/2026-graduates or scan the QR code below
2. Fill out the graduate form.
3. Click on "Choose File" and upload your graduation/senior photo.
4. Click "Submit your information."

As you close this chapter and begin a new one, always remember God has a plan and purpose for your life. 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."

We would love for you to join us for breakfast beginning at 9:30 in the Family Life Center on Sunday, June 7, 2026.

Sincerely,

Karen Hill
Director of Youth



EVERY BOTTLE *Makes a Difference*

Pick up a baby bottle bank, fill it with cash, coins or check (made out to Salem Pregnancy) and return your filled bottle by **June 21st** to the Narthex or back of the sanctuary



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YOU'RE INVITED TO VBS:
JESUS' SURPRISE PARTY!

Come celebrate and enjoy fun-filled nights of surprises, stories, music,
and joy as we discover how Jesus' love shows up in surprising ways!

June 22-25
6:00-8:00 PM
Nightly

Don't miss the party—you
won't believe the surprises
Jesus has in store!

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Ages 2 years old - 5th
Grade

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