

May 29, 2022
Ascension Sunday
11:00 a.m. Service

Watchword for the Week – Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to His holy name! Psalm 97:12

Welcome to our service of worship for Ascension Sunday. The Risen Lord Jesus Christ, after appearing to His disciples and other believers for a period of 40 days following His resurrection from the dead, ascended to heaven. Before going, He promised His followers that the Holy Spirit would come and fill them with power – a promise that was fulfilled on Pentecost Sunday. God continues to pour out His Spirit upon those who love and follow Jesus.

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 *America* Smith

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn *America, the Beautiful* (Burg) # 799
Children may leave for Children's Church

Joys and Concerns

Honoring Heroes

Recognition of Veterans
Remembering Those Who Died in Service to Our Country
Moment of Silence
Pastoral Prayer

Liturgy for Commissioning Synod Participants Insert

Giving of Our Tithes and Offering

Prayer
Offertory *The Folded Flag* Martin
Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* (Blue) # 817

Holy Scripture

Matthew 4:1-11
John 14:15-24

Sermon "Truth, Love and Obedience"

Hymn *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus* (Burg) # 730

Benediction

Postlude *O For a Thousand Tongues* Wesley

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God, in memory of those who have given their lives in the line of duty protecting our great country and in honor of Rachel Brann's birthday (May 31) and Thomas Brann's Birthday (June 3). To God be the glory! They are given by Ike and Jo Brann.

The flowers in the narthex today are in celebration of the 40th wedding anniversary of Ray and Marjy Lambeth. They were married in the Friedberg Sanctuary on May 29, 1982. We praise and thank God for the blessings of health, happiness and loves that we have shared. They are given by Ray and Marjy Lambeth.

The Executive Body Meeting of the Women's Fellowship will be on Tuesday, June 7 at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Everyone is invited (men and women). Please bring your favorite salad and dessert. We will be collecting non-perishable food items that will be divided between our Blessing Box and Sunnyside Ministry. Our guest speaker is Peggy Anderson. She will share her Women of the Bible quilt.

Friedberg will host a Blood Drive on Sunday, June 5 from 12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Please visit <https://www.redcrossblod.org> to sign up or call Chuck Stone at (336) 978-5537 or the church office (336) 764-1830.

The June Folio is available after the worship service today. You can also have the *Folio* emailed directly to you through the church's website.

All parents who have a child in children's church will be required to physically come down to the AV room on the first floor of the Family Life Center and sign their child out before they are released at the end of worship.

The Outreach and Evangelism Committee of the Board of Elders is starting a monthly outreach opportunity for the congregation of Friedberg. Each month we will highlight a local ministry that serves and helps our community or a ministry within our church that reaches out to others. We will ask for the congregation to partner with that ministry for that month in various ways like donations, financial support, and prayer. The **Open Hands** opportunity for June highlights City Lights, a ministry in Winston Salem that does various work within the city. Our focus is on their **Floor to Bed** program which donates twin size beds to children who currently do not have their own bed. The ministry has helped over 900 children get a good night's sleep. We are asking the Friedberg congregation to donate twin size sheets and pillows to help support this ministry. You can put them in the bins located behind the sanctuary and in the narthex. Please let Jennifer Boles or Marcia Reich know if you have any questions or suggestions for the **Open Hands** ministry. Thanks for your help!

Senior Friends Fellowship will travel to the mountains again on Thursday, June 9. We will have lunch at The Bluffs Restaurant in Laurel Springs. Seats are available at this time. Buses will leave the lower parking lot at 10:00 am. John Mason and Ronnie Hedgecock will be our drivers. If you want to reserve your seat, call or email. Remember that your friends are also welcome. Anyone over the age of 50 can join Senior Friends Fellowship and membership at Friedberg is not a requirement. We look forward to spending time together. I will send an email a week or so before the trip to let you know who is planning to go. Make sure that you are on that list! Carol 336-764-1353 bcknouse@yahoo.com

Sunday May 29

8:30 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary
9:15 a.m. Band Prelude
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream

Monday, May 30 (Memorial Day)

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, May 31

7:00 p.m. Mission Committee

Thursday, June 2

7:00 p.m. Bethel Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball

Saturday, June 4

Saddles and Spokes

Sunday, June 5 (Communion Sunday)

8:30 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary
9:15 a.m. Band Prelude
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream
12:30 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive

FRIEDBERG MORAVIAN CHURCH PRAYER CONCERNS

May 29, 2022

MEMBERS

Jeannine Bradley	J.T. Hopkins	Joy Reich
Cecilia Cook	Robbie Joyce	Ann Sapp
Sherry Edwards	Peggy Lawson	Merle Scott
Emily Essick	Yvonne Lemons	Becky Sizemore
Jerry Evans	Audrey Mize	Bob & Judy Smith
Anna-Stewart Faircloth	Reba Payne	Larry Tesh
Don Faust	Kolton Pennell	Amanda Traigle
Hazel Fishel	Gloria Peters	Carrie West
Tim Fishel	Mary Lou Pitts	Judy Zimmerman
Evva Hanes	Martha Plyler	Vince Young
Betty Helms		

Family and Friends Prayer Concerns Submitted Since Last Sunday:

Rebecca Eagen, Mary Kay Forbes, Mason King and Fred & Joyce Morelli

Friedberg Synod Delegates: Jennifer Boles, David Bryson, John Dyer, Mike Hanes, Mike Martin, Richard Reich, Brent Waddell, Jim Newsome, Dan Nelson, Heidi Everhart, Laura Overcash. **Alternate Delegates:** Franklin Clark, Sherry Edwards, Mike Lambeth, Jimmie Snyder, Norm West

MEMBERS AND RELATIVES IN MILITARY

Dylan Bundy	Andy Greenwood	Adam Johnson
Dylan Coleman	Jennifer Greenwood	Alex Kennedy
Carly Collette	Dakota Holtzclaw	Patrick Mickey
Ben Greeson	Hunter Jenkins	Daniel Randleman

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
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

The Folded Flag

by Joseph M. Martin

*A folded flag, a falling tear.
A final sigh of mem'ries dear.
A wounded dream, abandoned plans.
A folded flag in trembling hands.*

*God rest the warriors, the heroes of peace,
servants of freedom, defenders of dreams,
those who have offered all they could give,
all who have died that others might live!*

*A call goes out into the night.
The need is great, the cause is right,
And heroes rise and sometimes fall.
They give their hearts, their lives, their all.*

*God rest the warriors, the heroes of peace,
servants of freedom, defenders of dreams,
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*A flag unfurled and raised with pride,
a symbol bold for those who died!
Now we must strive to live as brave,
and love the flag they fought to save!*

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Liturgy for Commissioning Synod Participants

The 2022 Synod of the Moravian Church in America, Southern Province, is being held June 1st – 4th at Winston-Salem State University. The theme is “God Is In The Other Place,” based on Hymn 793 in our Book of Worship.

(verses 1 and 2)

*When we lift our pack and go, when we seek another country,
moving far from all we know, when we long to journey free --*

*God is in the other place, God is in another's face,
in the faith we travel by, God is in the other place.*

*Through the loneliness of night,
through the sky's uncharted spaces
not a sparrow falls in flight but a loving God will care --*

*God is in the other place, God is in another's face,
in the faith we travel by, God is in the other place.*

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For many months God has been preparing you for the important work of synod. Do you accept the responsibilities assigned to you and covenant with God to be faithful, as best you can, as you also trust in the grace and faithfulness of Christ, our Redeemer?

I do.

Members of this community, do you pledge your support for these delegates and commit yourself to praying for God's Spirit to bless and comfort them, and to guide their thoughts, words, and decisions with holy wisdom?

We give thanks and will pray for all who gather to discern God's leading for our Province at this time.

Our discernment of God's leading does not occur in isolation, but takes place as we listen carefully for the Holy Spirit in the midst of our gathering together.

Through conversation and reflection, intentionality and mutual trust, we embark on the shared journey of listening for God's invitation, a journey of cooperation with God that renews us in love.

Let us pray together:

Almighty God, Creator of the Universe and Author of our lives, guide into preparation those who will participate in our Synod. Make them ready to listen and speak, undergirded with love and with a spirit of respect, being open to the contributions of others. Guide their minds and hearts to decisions that will glorify you and honor your children. And above all, help those who gather at Synod to discern the way of Faith, Love, and Hope — through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(verses 3 and 4)

*Sons and daughters must depart, friends will go on other journeys,
only constant is the heart that can trust its God to be --*

*God is in the other place, God is in another's face,
in the faith we travel by, God is in the other place.*

*In the hands outstretched to greet,
through the open doors of strangers
there is love we yet can meet and believe the Christ is there --*

*God is in the other place, God is in another's face,
in the faith we travel by, God is in the other place.*

When We Lift Our Pack and Go (MBW 793)
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**Southern Province Synod
to Convene at
Winston-Salem State University
June 1-4, 2022**



Every four years, delegates from all congregations and fellowships of the Southern Province gather for a Synod. Our 2022 Synod will be called to order at Winston-Salem State University, June 1-4.

In Moravian polity, synods represent the highest decision-making body of each province and tremendous responsibility in the life of the Moravian Church. Southern Province Synod delegates will help decide how the province continues its work while exploring ways to strengthen the church in the future.

During the four-day event, delegates elect provincial leadership for the upcoming four years, including the Provincial Elders' Conference, members of provincial and interprovincial boards and agencies, and in some years, bishops of the Moravian Unity (at the 2018 Synod, delegates elected two bishops: the Rt. Rev. Carol Foltz and the Rt. Rev. Tom Shelton).

Synods also establish direction and priority for provincial ministries and encourage activities on the congregational level. They help answer questions and set guidelines on key topics and issues facing the province, while providing a platform for new ideas for strengthening the church and the faith of its members.

In addition to the legislative and decision-making duties of synod, these gatherings also provide a rare opportunity to bring together clergy and lay persons from all areas of the province, including its agencies and leadership, to worship, pray, and talk about ministry

together. Synod gathers the collective wisdom and experience of the entire province to work with each other and discern what God is calling us to do now.

All pastors under call are delegates to Synod, and every congregation has one lay delegate for every 125 adult communicant members. Small congregations are entitled to one delegate in addition to the pastor, while each fellowship is represented by an advisory (non-voting) delegate. Provincial boards and agencies are also represented, as are retired pastors and certified, full-time DCEs. Advisory delegates representing our various interprovincial agencies, ecumenical partners and emerging ministries also attend.

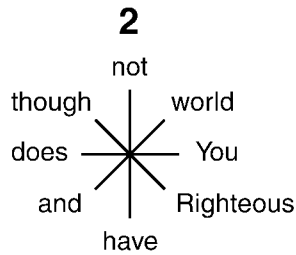
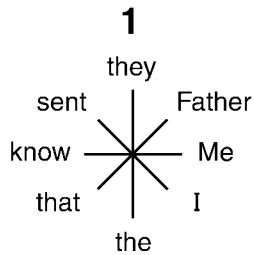
Pray for our Synod as it prepares to discern the Chief Elder's direction for our Province over the next four years and beyond.

More information about the upcoming Synod is available at the Southern Province website, www.mcsp.org. In addition, the Interprovincial Board of Communication and Commission on Congregational Development will cover the 2022 Synod and will report on key events and decisions.



What does Jesus say the world knows?

Match the code with the words to fill in the blanks.



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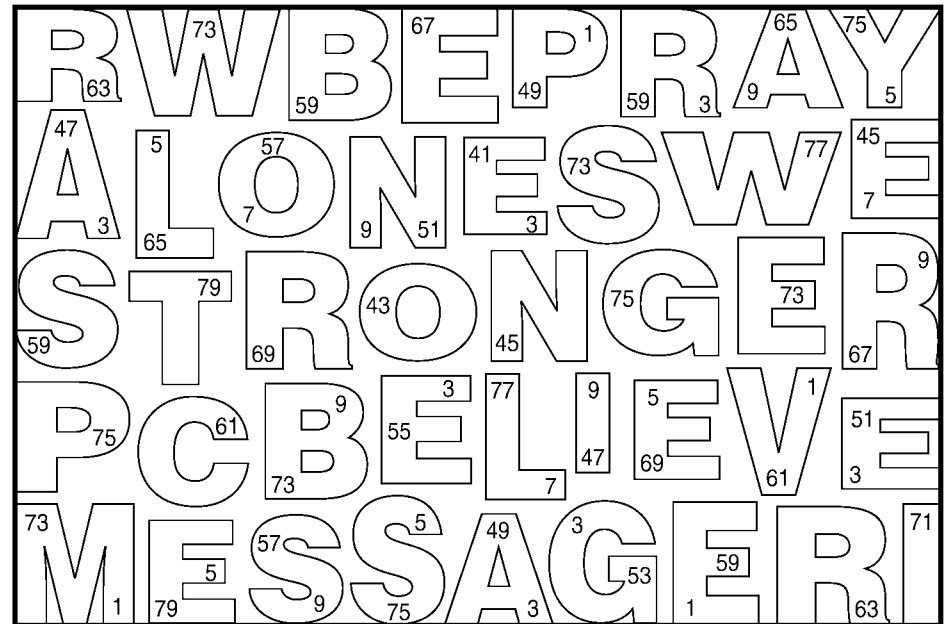


Jesus Prays for All Believers



Jesus prays to the Father about the believers. What does He say about them?

Color in the shapes with 2 odd numbers to fill in the blanks below.



“My _____ is not for them _____.

I pray also for those who will _____

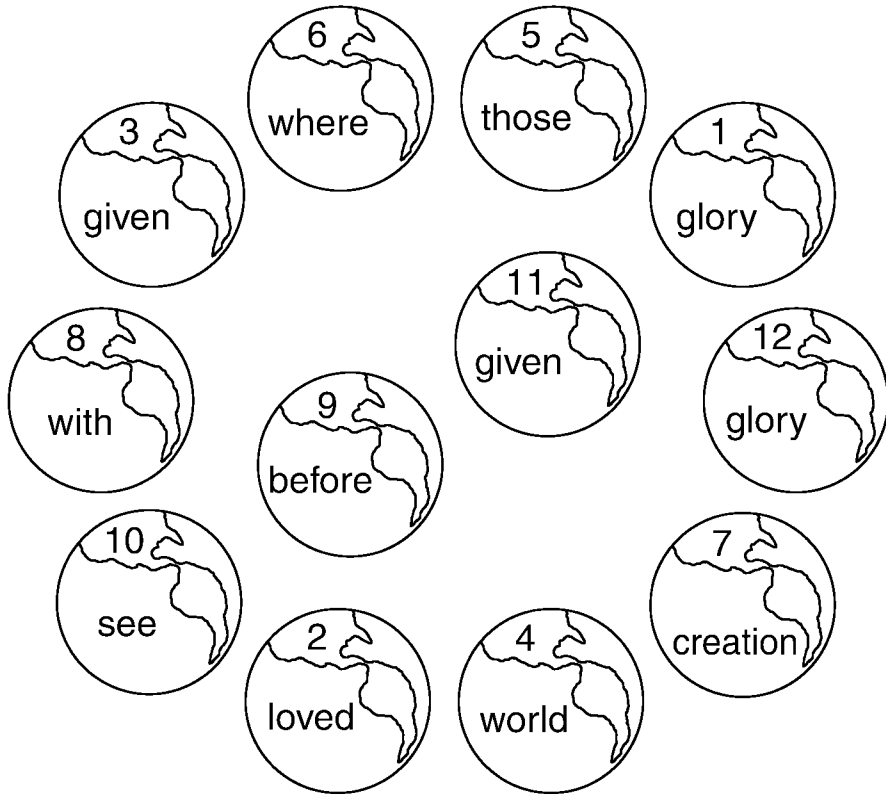
in me through their _____.”



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

What does Jesus want from the Father?

Do the math to fill in the blanks below.



“Father, I want _____ You have _____ Me
 $7 - 2$ $12 - 1$
 to be _____ Me _____ I am, and to _____
 $2 + 6$ $12 - 6$ $5 + 5$
 My _____, the _____ You have _____
 $13 - 12$ $8 + 4$ $1 + 2$
 Me because You _____ Me _____ the
 $7 - 5$ $5 + 4$
 _____ of the _____.”
 $4 + 3$ $6 - 2$

What did Jesus pray that the world would know about God?

Use the Morse code symbols below to decode the message.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M
 N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

