

# The Friedberg Folio

News from the Hill of Peace

Friedberg Moravian Church Winston-Salem, North Carolina

**Our Mission Statement:** We are a congregation grounded in Biblical truth, honoring our heritage and deep faith in the Lord Jesus Christ by proclaiming openly the Gospel through worship, witness, Bible study, missions, fellowship and service to the community.

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#### "Victory!"

In April 1988 Focus on the Family Magazine printed a true story written by freelance author Ida Mae Kempel titled "What Was in Jeremy's Egg?" When the internet came along in the late 1990's, the story took on a life of it's own and, in spite of copyright laws, was widely circulated in a variety of embellished forms. In 2003, filmmaker Steve Viall teamed up with Vision Video to turn Ida Mae Kempel's story into the heartwarming movie "Jeremy's Egg."

For those who may not have read the story or seen the movie I'll try to summarize it below ... without spoiling the ending:

Jeremy is a boy with developmental and physical disabilities. Because there wasn't a school for special needs children in the small community where his family lived, Jeremy's parents placed him in a private school where he attended class with students several years younger than he was.

One warm spring day his teacher gave everyone in his class an empty plastic egg. She instructed them to take the eggs

home, find signs of life to put inside and bring then back the next day. The next morning each child put his/her egg into a large wicker basket on the teacher's desk.

The teacher began opening the eggs and praising the children as she described how the items inside were signs of life. The first contained a flower. The second a plastic butterfly. The third had a small rock covered with moss.

But then the teacher opened the fourth egg and found that it was empty. She knew immediately that it was Jeremy's egg. Thinking he had misunderstood the task, and not wanting to embarrass him, she silently laid the egg aside and began to reach for another.

Suddenly Jeremy spoke up, "Aren't you going to talk about my egg?" Flustered, the teacher replied, "But Jeremy, your egg is empty!" To which Jeremy softly said, "Yes, but Jesus' tomb was empty, too."



Time seemed to stand still. When she could speak again, the teacher asked, "Jeremy, do you know why the tomb was empty?" "Oh yes!" he replied, "Jesus was killed and put in there. But then His Father raised Him up!"

Jeremy, although developmentally challenged and physically disabled, understood a profound truth: the empty tomb of Jesus is a sign of life. It is also a sign of victory - the victory of life and love over sin and death. The empty tomb is a sign of God's ultimate victory on our behalf. The tomb was empty, but the victory it symbolizes is full of meaning for all believers.

> Easter rings with the joyful news, "The Lord is risen! The Lord is risen indeed!" Christ has broken the bonds of sin and death. Death (as painful as it can be for us and those we love) is not the final ending. In Christ Jesus it has become the gateway to everlasting life with God.

> As we proclaim in the Friedberg graveyard each year through the words of our Easter Morning Liturgy:

... the God of peace, Who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that Great Shepherd of the

sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, shall also quicken these our mortal bodies, if the Spirit of God has dwelt in them."

This Easter season let us renew our covenant with God and one another to live each day in joyful celebration of God's goodness, blessings and love. Let us look to the future with hope and confidence, knowing that when our time comes to pass from this life we shall share in the victory Christ has already won.

Glory be to Him Who is the Resurrection and the Life; He was dead, and behold, He is alive forevermore; and he who believes in Him, though he were dead, yet shall he live.

(Easter Morning Liturgy)

May you and yours have a blessed and happy Easter,

Pastor Jim

#### April 2023

Christian sympathy is extended to:

The family of Martin Stafford. Martin passed away on Monday, February 27, 2023. He is the son of Allen Stafford (Opal).

The family of Thomas Calvin Wise, Jr. Tom passed away on Tuesday, February 28, 2023. His memorial service was on Saturday, March 25. He is the husband of Carole Wise.

**The family Ronald "Ronnie" Eugene King**. Ronnie passed away on Sunday, March 5, 2023. His graveside service was on Thursday, March 9, 2023, at Wallburg Baptist Church Cemetery.

**Congratulations to Heath and Kalista Tucker** as they welcome and celebrate their new son, Deacon James Tucker, born on March 18, 2023. Dean and Michelle Tucker are his grandparents.

Friedberg Moravian Church and Congregation-Wow, where to even begin. Thank you all so much for the love and support you have shown our family over the past 10 years. Before Kolton was born, you were all praying for him. Since then, you've prayed for, made quilts for and embraced him and our family. We also want to thank the church, Women's Fellowship and Sunday School Classes that have sent monetary donations to help with the medical bills and other expenses along this journey. We appreciate everything you all have done for us and are counting down the days until we are back with everybody. John, Heather, Isaiah and Kolton Pennell

**Praise report**: Amy Canter had a scan the first week in March and it showed she is cancer free. Thank you for all your prayers that have been answered. A Thankful Grandmother, Martha Berrier.

#### Otovskyi Family Update

Our Ukraine family is doing very well! We give thanks to God that the Friedberg congregation and the Kernersville community have welcomed the Otovskyi family with much love and generosity. They miss their friends and family that were left behind in Kyiv but treasure the welcoming environment that they have found in the US.

Dima has been working on "Americanizing" his resume and a couple of gentlemen at Friedberg are helping him to network and find employment in his field. In Ukraine Dima was a Word Press developer. At the present time he is working for Door Dash. Pray that Dima will find a job that fits his skill set and that will allow him to fully support his family. Slava has been busy with the children and dealing with several dental issues. We found a dentist that agreed to accept her Medicaid Insurance. In talking with Dr. Albertson, we learned that his parents housed two Ukraine refugees in their home over the summer. We are thankful that Slava is no longer having pain.

Stefan just celebrated his 10<sup>th</sup> birthday. He had a great party that was attended by the Boles family and several of his friends from Kernersville Elementary School. Stefan said it was the best birthday he ever had! Slava was so happy to be able to plan a party for Stefan since last year on his birthday they were preparing to leave Ukraine. His birthday was just one week before the start of the war.

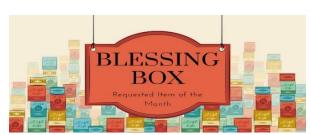
Mark was a bit shy at first but has quicky adjusted to his new environment. He is making friends at school and no longer needs a tutor for help with English. He shared his school report with me, and his grades are excellent!

Slava's parents will not be coming to the US. Her father is recovering from his stroke but is not strong enough to travel. He is at home in his apartment in Kyiv and can walk with a walker. He even helped Slava's mom, Tetiana with the dishes one day. Rehabilitation facilities are not available to him at this time so Tetiana is helping him as much as she can. Please pray for Grygorii to continue to recover from his stroke, for patience and strength for Tetiana and for their safety.

The family continues to be thankful and in awe of the love and support they have received from the Friedberg congregation. Many at Friedberg have shared that they have been blessed to be a part of sponsoring this family. The Mission Committee is thankful for the support received as we all help them integrate into social, school and work life in the US.

Please continue to pray for the people of Ukraine, the Otovskyi family and for all Ukranian refugees.

We at Friedberg are blessed to be a blessing! Sherry Edwards Chair, Friedberg Mission Committee



**Friedberg's Blessing Box** supports members of the local community, as they can take what they need and replace it with something for someone else, if they can. We've all needed a little help in our lives, and as Christians, we are instructed to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Blessing Boxes have appeared in communities across the country, as individuals and organizations have found creative ways to help others who struggle with hunger. There's no better way to help the local community than with one small act of kindness at a time, a Blessing Boxes can make that difference. As Matthew 25 instructs us, "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in."

Traditional food pantries have limited hours of operation, whereas Blessing Boxes are open 24/7, 365 days a year. Blessing Boxes are also considered neutral zones, as they do not require qualification or approval to use be it a hardship, income, or other factors. They are freely available to everyone who has a hunger need. Blessing Boxes are ideal for people who are uncomfortable asking for help (and many are), in temporary financial situations, or unable to wait for approval from more traditional resources. The anonymity of getting food/personal care products from a Blessing Box is extremely important to some. Needing help and having others know of the hardship is difficult to deal with for many.

The Blessing Box was installed on the grounds of Friedberg Moravian Church in the Fall of 2019. From its interception, Women's Fellowship Circle 4 has stocked the Blessing Box and maintained it by filling it with items that will help those in need - everything from nonperishable foods to toiletries. These essentials will help fulfill short-term basic needs for those who don't always have access to them. A full list of donation items is located on the church website.

We are in need of the congregations' help in maintaining the Blessing Box. We've established an item of the month, to make donating to the Box even easier. The April Item of the Month is Canned Meat. Donation bins are located around the church. Please contact any member of Women's Fellowship Circle 4, for questions.

Our readings for Holy Week begin nightly on Sunday,



April 2 at 7:30 p.m. and will run through Good Friday, April 7. These nighty services will be held in the sanctuary, or you may worship with us Livestream. via Mrs. Heidi will have a special children's message

every night and there will be Children's Church for our children attending with their parents. Maundy Thursday Communion will be on Thursday, April 6 at 7:30 p.m. There will also be a Good Friday Communion on Friday, April 7 at 10:00 a.m. We will have Lovefeast on Friday, April 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Friedberg welcomes you to experience the "Journey to the Cross" during Holy Week. Beginning Sunday,

April 2 - Friday, April from 5:00-7:00 7 p.m. there will be interactive stations set up throughout the church which will take you through some of the events what Jesus of



experienced his last week.

This could take you anywhere from 45 minutes to about an hour and a half to go through. The timeframe will depend how many might be with you going through as well as how long you spend at a station. There are 13 stations total with a time of reflection at the end.

At 7:00pm each night your journey will need to end as some stations are set up in rooms that are used for Holy Week activities.

We hope this brings a time to reflect and to remember the greatest sacrifice given for each one of us.

Good Friday Breakfast - Friedberg men, join us for a very special First Friday Breakfast, Good Friday, April 7th, 7 AM. We're serving up breakfast, fellowship, inspiration from Pastor Jim and music by Friedberg Men's Quartet!

Plan to join us for our Easter Sunday Worship Service on Sunday April 2023. Our Easter 9. morning worship service will begin at 10:30 a.m. and will conclude on God's Acre. Sunday School will begin at 9:30 **a.m**. on Easter Sunday.



On Thursday, April 13, Senior Friends Fellowship will travel to Billy Graham Library in Charlotte. Buses will leave the lower parking lot at 9:00 AM. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DEPARTURE TIME FROM 10:00 TO 9:00. We will not eat lunch until after our visit to BGL so you may need to bring a snack until we eat a late lunch at Nana Morrison's Soul Food Restaurant or Cracker Barrel. Both buses are full at this time, but we are accepting names for the overflow list in case we have a cancellation. Please call Carol at 336-764-1353 or bcknouse@yahoo.com for more information.



As part of Friedberg's 250th Anniversary Year of Celebrating, we will have a Singstunde Service on April 23<sup>rd</sup> during our 11:00 a.m. worship service. This will be a modern take on an old Moravian song service. This service of

worship will consist almost entirely of music, sung and performed by different groups within the church.

This service will include special music from:

- Friedberg's Moravian Band
- Adult Choir
- FMC Youth
- C.R.O.S.S. Kids
- Cherub Choir
- Willing Workers Sunday School Class

Each group has chosen a piece to sing or play and will share a scripture that reflects their song choice or represents their group as a whole. The congregation is invited to participate and join in singing as they feel led during the service. God's message in this Sunday service will be heard in the scriptures and lyrics of songs. God will speak to us as we allow the melodies to touch our hearts. Plan to join us for the Singstunde - an hour of song.



**Have you been missing calls** from Friedberg with news and announcements? Please update the church office (336) 764-1830, with any changes that have been made to your

phone number or if you have any questions.



**During Lent and Easter** we celebrate the sufferings, dying, death and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. As Jesus was raised in triumphal rebirth, so our baptism marks our spiritual rebirth into "new creatures", saved by the Messiah's blood. A reflection of this divine spiritual miracle is seen each Spring as we witness the natural rebirth of flowers, trees and gardens. We find new reasons to hope for a physical renewal that mirrors the spiritual renewal brought about by Jesus' sacrifice.

In Central America, our Sisters and Brothers are experiencing a similar sense of hope and physical renewal. Last year, many families lost virtually all of their crops to floods. Rains and floods are increasingly unpredictable. In 2022, during the dry season months of February and March, unseasonable rains destroyed the bean crop. In May it was impossible to plant rice due to continued rains. Perennial crops such as cassava and bananas, along with fruit trees, were lost. The Board of World Mission's Moravian Disaster Response program has sent medicines and food to help with recovery. A major effort has been to supply bean and vegetable seeds as families look with hope toward a bean harvest in March or April and a rice harvest in September. As they anticipate more than just the one daily meal that has characterized their existence for many months, there is hope for the future. As our Easter worship celebrates the spiritual rebirth that comes with Christ's resurrection, we hope for physical rebirth with the planting of bean, rice and vegetable seeds in Central America.

At the Moravian Ministries Foundation in America, we envision thriving ministries that glorify God. One of the ways we help realize this vision is through our



annual grants program. Our grant program is funded by both the generosity of individuals who are passionate about a particular area of need and a portion of our net income each year.

In 2022, 57% of applications were fully funded with an average award of \$1,925 (excludes Hunger & Thirst grants which averaged \$13,836). Please carefully review the <u>Grant Guidelines and Procedures</u> on mmfa.com for detailed information. For questions, contact Laura Watson, Vice President/Director of Programs, at (336) 725-2589 or lwatson@mmfa.com.

The world is in need and God is calling **you**. Work with your congregation's leadership to answer and apply!

#### **Grant-Making Field of Interest Funds**

Applications submitted for grants from MMFA's <u>field of</u> <u>interest funds</u> should be for projects that address the fund's area of focus. Preferred recipients include U.S. Moravian congregations, fellowships, agencies, missions, and emerging ministries.

MMFA's field of interest funds include:

- <u>Hunger & Thirst Field of Interest</u>: Grants address food and/or water insecurity.
- <u>Housing & Shelter Field of Interest</u>: For those providing safety, shelter, and housing to the vulnerable and unhoused.
- <u>Healing & Health Field of Interest</u>: For those ministering to the ill or promoting health/wellness.
- Prison Ministry Field of Interest: For ministry to the imprisoned and their families.
- <u>Clothing Field of Interest</u>: For ministries that provide clothing to those in need.
- Environmental Stewardship Field of Interest: For those looking to protect and restore God's creation.

#### Announcing Salem Band's 2023 Summer Concert Series - All concerts in Salem Square, Old Salem on Tuesdays at 7:30 pm, FREE

There's nothing more All-American than enjoying a classic band concert in the town Square! Food vendors on site – bring a lawn chair or blanket:

**MAY 23** (rain-date Friday May 26): *Awesome '80's* Guest vocalist Michael Martinez; Pre-concert music at 6:45 pm by The Salem Band Flute Ensemble

**JUNE 13** (rain-date Wednesday, June 14): *What's In a Name?* Pre-concert music at 6:45 pm by The Salem Band Brass Quintet

**JULY 4th** (rain-date Wednesday, July 5): **Stars & Stripes** Honoring Veterans in our community; vocalist Mignon Dobbins will lead sing-alongs

**JULY 25** (rain-date Friday, July 28): **Best of Salem Band** Guest vocalist Lora Mouna; Pre-concert music at 6:45 pm by The Salem Band Brass Quintet

**AUGUST 15** (rain-date Wednesday, August 16): **23** *Skidoo* World Premiere of a new march by Steven Sherrill, *Around Salem Square;* Pre-concert Chorales by the Community Ensemble

May newsletter items are needed by Friday, April 21 please.

#### Monthly Church Financial Update (Through 02/28/23) Budget:

YTD Receipts:	\$ 187,449.56
Expenditures	\$ 165,705.19
Net	\$ 21,744.37
Mission Fund:	
Beginning Balance 1/1/23:	\$ 14,728.02
Receipts:	\$ 9,902.10
Expenditures:	\$ 15,060.32
Ending Balance:	\$ 9,569.80

#### **Reminder for Flowers in the Sanctuary for April**

April 2	Willing Workers Bible Class
April 9	Women's Fellowship
April 16	Jerry Carter
April 23	Debbie Martin
April 30	Open

#### 11:00am Worship Service Nursery Volunteers April

April 2	Gwen Davis & Jannell Rowe
April 6	Open
	Communion/Holy Week Reading
April 7	Open
	Lovefeast/Holy Week Reading
April 9	Anna Hart
April 16	Linda Davis
April 23	David & Tracie Bryson
April 30	Ike & Jo Brann

#### **April Greeters**

April 2	Pauline Steward & Pat Walter
April 9	Roger & Dorothy Dellinger
April 16	Karen Howard & Lynn Spillman
April 23	Kim Young
April 30	Mike & Jane Hardison



#### "The Friedberg Story" By The Rev. John Giesler "Friedberg, The First Two Hundred Years 1773 – 1973"

Born in Pfaffenhofen, Germany on January 20, 1720, Adam SPACH was baptized in the Lutheran Church, but came of age in Manokasy, Maryland. Here he came in contact with the Moravians and helped found the Graceham Church. In 1752 he married Maria Elizabeth HUETER and soon after their wedding they met Nathaniel SEIDEL and learned firsthand of the Moravian settlement in North Carolina. In May of 1754 they left for Wachovia. Their plan was to settle close to where they could farm and enjoy the spiritual, economic, and educational advantages of the projected settlement.

He immediately sought out the leaders and chose the land just south of the Moravian purchase in what is now the Arcadia Township of Davidson County. In a few years he and his neighbors had a community going in spite of Indian disturbances which forces them to move into the Bethabara stockade at times. They were anxious for the Moravians to come and hold worship services in their community south of the Ens Creek of South Fork. Finally in 1759 Ludolph Gottlieb BACHHOF came to hold service for the interested families: Adam SPACH, George HARTMAN, Johannes MULLER, Michel FABER, Christian FREY, Peter FREY, Martin WALK, Christian HARTMAN, and Christian ZIMMERMAN.

The first public service was held at the home of Adam SPACH on Tuesday November 24, 1759 at 6:00 p.m. The service consisted of a liturgy of evening prayer, a sermon on the opening verses of the Magnificat Luke 1:46-47 and closed with a singing hour of Singstunde.

Walking to Bethabara on Wednesday, BACHHOF must have been encouraged for he returned on Advent Sunday December 2, 1759, and again on Christmas Day to hold a service the morning of the 26<sup>th</sup>. In his diary he records serveral more trips in 1760, but our diaries do not record more visits until January 24, 1766 when Rev. John ETTWEIN and Rev. LORENZ came to decide about a site for a meeting house and a graveyard. On May 6, 1766, Br. Peter FREY, Sr. was the first person laid to rest in "God's Acre". Br. GRAFF consecrated the land with prayer and a sermon on the text "Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die it bringeth forth no fruit."

The exact parcel of land for the project and the manner of paying expenses was worked out in December of 1766. The land was surveyed on January 6, 1767 and the site of the log building (thirty four by twenty eight) was laid out between the present road and the west side of the Graveyard. The building came under roof within the year but was not finished until two years later. Regular visits for worship continued until Saturday March 11, 1769 a lovefeast was held and on Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup> the building was consecrated and two children were baptized. The group asked that a society or church be organized and the slow process finally came to conclusion when in January of 1770 Brother and Sister Bachhof were called from the work in Bethania to become the lay pastor and teacher and live in the two downstairs room and hold school and worship services upstairs in the hall. The Society was formally organized by Br. UTLEY and Br. Marshall on February 4, 1770 with eighteen couples and one married sister, or thirty seven members, pledging to support the work. The Bachhofs were happily received at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday February 17. Regular services began the following day and followed the general pattern of 9:00 a.m. worship (liturgy, general or seasonal), 10:00 a.m. Sermon, 11:00 a.m. Children's Class (explanation of Bible passage, doctrinal subject or expansion of the sermon) then at 12:00 noon the Society members came together for business and a sharing of news from the mission fields or other areas, reading of sermons by ZINZENDORF (always called the "Blessed Disciple") or other leaders, or the memoirs or prominent Moravians.

The school began on February 27<sup>th</sup> with younger boys in morning and afternoon and older boys in the evening. On the 28<sup>th</sup> the younger girls came in the morning and the older girls came in the afternoon. Thus, each group had two sessions a week. Brother Bachhof used Wednesdays and Saturdays for visiting when the weather permitted. Singstunden were held several times a week in the evenings.

On Maundy Thursday a group of Society members made the long walk to Bethabara together with their lay pastor. They attended the reading and Holy Communion Services and returned on Good Friday to observe the Reading in five installments. On Easter morning they began the liturgy at the schoolhouse at 9:00 a.m. and concluded their affirmation of faith in Christ's Resurrection around the three graves in God's Acre. The regular and special services of the year were all held but of special mention was the first Christmas Candle

Lovefeast held on the 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. The Christmas Reading Service was first, then came the Lovefeast with the singing led by the violin of Br. Peter VOLZ. The children received Honey Cakes and a special verse for each. The Watchnight consisted of an English service at 7:00 p.m., a memorabilia service in German was next and in the third session there was an address on the text for the day. At midnight all rose to sing "Now Thank We All Our God" and then to fall on their knees to begin the new year in prayer.

The life of the pastor and his people is full of rich examples of life in early Friedberg. The Diaries which will soon be published tell much of the woe and weal of everyday life. *Still waiting for this to happen.* 

In 1771 several important events took place. One was the visit of Christian GREGOR on September 29 when nearly all of the ninety people of the community filled the Hall for a Lovefeast. At the request of a number who had come from Pennsylvania the name of their home church "Heidelberg" was given to the area. However, Adam SPACH and others who had come from elsewhere felt this showed favor so Br. MARSHALL on December 19<sup>th</sup> gave the name Friedberg to the town and Friedland to the Broadbay, Maine colony to the east. The word Fried is the German equivalent of the Hebrew Salem so all three words mean peace. Berg is the word for "hill". Friedberg therefore means Peace Hill or Hill of Peace.

On January 19, 1773 the leaders in Salem took pity on the Friedberg People and brought Holy Communion to them for the first time. This was of utmost solemnity and importance to all. Then on April 4, 1773, Friedberg was officially recognized as an official congregation of the Worldwide Unity of Brethren following action of the Synod in Herrnhut. The final step was completed on October 17 when Br. BACHHOF was ordained a Deacon. He had first Communion on November 28<sup>th</sup>. Now Friedberg had its own ordained pastor, was an official congregation and had a growing educational program. The nineteen years of prayer, planning, and hard work achieved fulfillment.

During these years the medical staff came regularly to the community to perform minor surgery, give medicine, or to let blood. This was a wonderful blessing for these pioneers.

A near disaster struck on November 16, 1775 when during school session a heavy windstorm tore the roof off the heads of the students and Br. BACHHOF. He sang hymns and spoke of the Savior to calm his class. No one was injured. In a short time families arrived and immediately began to make repairs. The next morning the roof was back and everything repaired.

The tribulations of the American Revolution were great on this congregation of pacifists. By order of the King of England, Moravians did not have to bear arms, but this was offset by cruel and harsh taxes and conscription of food and horses. The American patriots also used the well-run farms of the community for food. Seeking to be fair and not take sides meant they had to pay double.

Shortly after the Declaration of Independence was published, Friedberg lost their founding pastor as on September 21, 1776 he went to be with his Lord, and his remains are among the first fruits of our God's Acre.

Soon after, BR. VALENTINE BECK, another lay pastor, began his pastorale of nine years through the war and under the shaky Articles of the Confederation.

In February 1777 a cellar was dug behind the School House and paved with four loads of stone. A small room was built above the cellar to give the family with children more room. A garden fence and gate were added to help with the food supply. Br. Beck did good work and was ordained in July 1778. Just before Christmas of that year the Becks lost most of their material possessions as the schoolhouse was plundered by destitute soldiers in the area. In July of 1782, after a brief but harsh illness, his wife died and a year later Br. Beck went to Heidelberg, Pennsylvania and married a single sister selected by the Provincial Elders' Conference and approved by the lot.

The war ended in 1783 and Friedberg, along with Salem, celebrated the 4<sup>th</sup> of July as proclaimed by Governor Martin.

The next pastor was the able minister and musician Rev. Simon PETER. He was called to help the growing community build their first real church. On Christmas Day of 1785, a few months after his arrival, the congregation voted to build. Plans were drawn for the new log church to be just a bit larger than the School House, 30' x 35', and to be located next to it and connected by a passageway. On February 19, 1786 Count Johannes DE WATTEVILLE, husband of ZINZENDORF'S daughter, BENIGNA, preached at the

cornerstone laying. A brief period of dissension was overcome and progress on the church continued for over two years until its completion including the fine cabinet work done by Jacob KRAUSE.

Each year the Friedberg community celebrated their annual Festival in commemoration of the Lovefeast and the dedication held in the School House on March 11 and 12 of 1769. In 1786 and 1787 Rev. Peter got musicians from Salem to come out to make the Festival more meaningful with beautiful orchestral and chorale music. His brother J. F. PETER was among those who came. On March 12, 1788, the formal dedication of the completed church was held with much dignity. The music of the choir and orchestra was "very sweet coming down from the gallery".

The next Pastor was the former Indian missionary Martin SCHNEIDER, who came in June of 1791. The school house rooms were refurnished and new stone steps were built at the west door of the church where the sisters entered. Later the school room upstairs was divided into two rooms.

Rev. John GAMBOLD, another Indian Missionary, was the next pastor. He lost his wife a few months after arriving in 1804 and was replaced soon after by Rev. C. D. BUCHHOLZ. During his term a new well was dug to supplement the falling spring. Rev. C. D. RUDE came next and served the longest pastorale in the first century, fifteen years. The 50<sup>th</sup> Golden Jubilee Anniversary was celebrated in 1819 with a great deal of special music. The church had grown from the original few families to a total of 338. Another new church was needed. The noted pastor, missionary, musician, and translator, Christian Frederick DENKE was called. He came in 1822 and shortly after a Building Committee was elected and the work begun. The new church and parsonage was planned to be built across the road from the previous two buildings and the cornerstone which still sits under our present church was laid on February 5, 1823. In July of the year Br. DENKE was able to secure the first organ brought to Bethabara by the Moravians. It served Friedberg for sixty more years before being sold. The music during his pastorale was much improved with the organ to help.

The cedar trees were planted to beautify the graveyard. The work on the large new building went on with great sacrifice as times were hard. The parsonage section was finished first and in June 1825 the Denke's moved to their new quarters. Contrary to the pastor's warnings of danger the new method plastering was used to decorate the church. A number of out buildings were completed and kitchens for the church and parsonage were built from the logs of the old church. Flooring from the old church was used in the three-sided gallery. The benches were made by one family and the other families contributed to the cost. The cost mounted and in order to finish everything the congregation had to mortgage the property to borrow money for the remaining bills. But the great day of dedication arrived on July 28, 1827 and a great procession of over 1500 people, clergy, musicians, members, and visitors formed at the site of the old church and to the chorales of the trombone choir, marched in order to the new building for a most impressive celebration.

With the new facilities and with the new spirit of the times the Charity Sunday School was begun on September 30, 1827. This had a profound influence on the people over the years. Br. Denke also began a new tradition of the Mayfeast to replace the old March Festival. This was held on the Saturday nearest the 12<sup>th</sup> which was the date the Brotherly Agreement was first signed in 1727 in Herrnhut. Numerous improvements were made on the buildings with a covered walk between the church and diener's kitchen and four acres of land north of the church was purchased.

During this time Br. Denke lost his wife and companion of many years but soon married a teacher from Salem, where they retired in 1833.

April 21, 1833 Rev. A. H. SCHULZ was installed by his father who was president of the Provincial Elders Conference. Br. Schulz was a deeply spiritual man and worked hard to win the hearts of the people to a more serious relationship with the Lord. His work was hampered by the continued debt on the building; so finally in 1835, thirty-nine and one half acres of land were sold to pay off the debt.

During the decade of 1825 – 1835, a number of families began to feel the pains of continued population growth as land became more and more difficult to obtain. Under the leadership of Br. Martin HAUSER a good number of young couples joined in moving to Indiana and Illinois to found two Moravian communities there.

The years leading up to the Civil War were ones of little change except in language. In about twenty years the prominence of German in Church School and home fell until by 1857 it became nearly obsolete.

The war years brought hardships and suffering to all of the country and although little fighting occurred in the area the economy was destroyed and the crushing defeat was felt by all for years afterward. But a real revival swept through the congregation in 1866. The growth of the church and community was slow to respond to the needs of the time, but during the long pastorale of Br. James B. HALL the congregation began to show new life. The grounds and buildings were greatly improved with remodeling. The preaching places of Advent and Enterprise built their first permanent buildings and regular Sunday Schools and Worship Services began to be held. The need for a larger church then prompted the decision to build a separate parsonage and use the parsonage area for expansion of the church, the parsonage was completed in 1900 and the sanctuary expanded shortly thereafter.

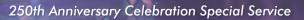
It is interesting to note that when the newly remolded church was used the traditional "kiss of peace" used in communion services (between one's own sex) was replaced by the "right hand of Fellowship". The common cup soon gave way to the individual cup and wine was replaced by grape juice. Changes were taking place. Growth of Friedberg, Advent, and Enterprise soon made it possible for new pastors to serve the chapels and the Friedberg pastor to concentrate on one congregation. Rev. Samuel TESCH led the congregation in a large expansion program in the 1930's with a new Christian Education wing and a large balcony and vestibule added to the building. The sanctuary was totally redesigned, and the direction changed once again. In 1938 these extensive additions were completed and dedicated. These facilities served throughout World War II and the Korean War until 1957 when a new modern parsonage was built, and the old parsonage became an annex for Christian Education. A new era of growth began in the adjoining Fellowship Hall build under the leadership of Rev. Henry Lewis. These new facilities greatly expanded the program of music and youth as an assistant in Christian Education and Music, Br. Raymond EBERT, joined the staff. A weekday Kindergarten was begun in 1967 renewing the Friedberg School which had served one hundred and fifty years before closing in 1922.

In 1972 two important committees began to work. Under the leadership of Rev. John GIESLER, a 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee secured a grant of \$4,000.00 to study the past, present, and future of our community. This resulted in the translation of the diaries from 1759 – 1773 by Donald LINEBACK, the securing of many priceless photos and articles of age and value, and a great increase in community interest throughout our area, and even to several items of national publicity. A musical program of unique quality and interest was held under the direction of Dr. Thor Johnson in October 1973. It consisted entirely of music composed by Friedberg pastors or their families. A twenty two piece orchestra and a one hundred voice choir was featured. Twelve first modern performances and premiers were included.

The other important committee is the Planning Council which has been working on plans for a new sanctuary, music department, a historic Friedberg Room, and other needed facilities. Their plans were adopted by over 90% of the Special Church Council meeting in June 1973. Work will begin soon in this needed area as well as the incorporating of many historic features still surviving in the present church.

Last but not least is the fact that the history of Friedberg would not be complete without mentioning the work of over twenty men from our congregation who have gone into full time service for the Lord in the Christian Ministry. This work is still going on with five men now serving and the promise of more to come.

This history article was written by Rev. John Giesler for Friedberg's 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 1973. It is reprinted for Friedberg's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Jimmie Snyder, Chair, Friedberg History Committee





# Moravian Singstunde Worship Service

# SUNDAY MORNING, APRIL 23 AT 11AM

This service will be an hour of music. A modern take on an old Moravian song service, music will be sung & performed by groups with in church.

# UPCOMING ANNVERSAR pecial vents

As Friedberg Moravian Church observes its 250th anniversary, it's a time to gather together for a variety of exciting events. This is a time to praise God for all the blessings and comfort. We have so much to commemorate, as He has provided for us over the years. Be sure to mark your calendar as we celebrate generations of God's goodness, faithfulness, & love.



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#### SINGSTUNDE WORSHIP SERVICE

#### Sunday, April 23 11am

This will be a modern take on an old Moravian song service. This Sunday morning service of worship will consist almost entirely of music, sung and performed by different groups within the church. God's message in this Sunday service will be heard in the scriptures and lyrics of songs.

#### 250TH ANNIVERSARY LOVEFEAST

#### Sunday, May 7 3pm

This afternoon Lovefeast will celebrate our 250th church anniversary. This special afternoon service will feature a newly commissioned musical piece, joyous singing, guest speakers, sharing of a Lovefeast, and a message from Rt. Rev. Tom Shelton. A reception will be held after the service.



#### WALK TO THE ROCK HOUSE

#### Saturday, September 23 1pm-5pm

Spend the afternoon learning about the history of Friedberg! It will begin at the church where volunteers will share historical relics, photos, and stories. Mid-afternoon we'll walk together (or take the church bus) to Adam Spach's homesite for a powerful, outdoor vespers service.

#### PRAISE & WORSHIP CONFERENCE

#### Saturday, October 21 Time TBA

This highly anticipated praise and worship conference will be led by Rev. Dr. Dion Christopher and his wife, Eulencine (from Florida). This will be a full-day event focused on the act of worship and how to connect with our heavenly Father. This event is for adults, youth, and children.

#### ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION DINNER

#### Saturday, November 11 Time TBA

We'll gather together, fellowship, and enjoy a meal together in the Family Life Center. Details will be coming soon, but this will be a time of celebrating the past and a look into the future through an evening of special programming.

# 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Apparel



Pictured Short Sleeve Dark Heather Grey Long and Short Sleeve (YS – YXL and AS – AXXXL) Hoodies (YS – YXL and AS – AXXXL)



Pictured Long Sleeve Dark Heather Grey Long and Short Sleeve (YS – YXL and AS – AXXXL) Hoodies (YS – YXL and AS – AXXXL)



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Pictured Long Sleeve Heather Deep Teal Long and Short Sleeve (YS – YXL and AS - AXXXL) Hoodies (AS-AXXXL) Not available in youth sizes

# Preorder Form (orders due by April 30<sup>th</sup>)

Short Sleeve \$15 Long Sleeve \$20 Hoodies \$25 Add \$1.00 for XXL and XXXL sizes

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Name	Color	Size (Y or A)	LS, SS, Hoodie	Quantity	Phone #

Make checks payable to **Friedberg Moravian Church**. Write on memo line: **250<sup>th</sup> shirts**. You can drop off your order form, in the church office, in the box labeled "250<sup>th</sup> order forms".

# Friedberg Women's Fellowship CHICKEN PIE Baked Goods Sale



FROZEN CHICKEN PIES \$16 Limit 5 Chicken Pies per Person No Slaw or Gravy Will be Sold

Lots of Baked Goods also for sale

2178 Friedberg Church Road Winston-Salem, NC 27127





<u>Children's Leaders</u> David and Hellen Bee Daniel Everhart Norian and Caroline Hanes-Fordham Holli Rhoney Jason and Katrina Romblad

#### <u>C.R.O.S.S. KIDS</u> Sunday, April 16, 23 and 30 from 4:30-6:30pm in the Children's Center

Our "Zip Code Challenge" continues to be an amazing time of fellowship and learning on Sunday evenings! We will wrap up our challenge and fun in April as we review the fruit of the spirit, think about why the fruit of the spirit really matters in our lives, how can we truly spread it and why God wants us to do all of this anyways! We know that great things will happen because Joshua 1:9 says, "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." We are ready for the challenge...are you?

#### **Topics Each Night:**

April 16-Review of the Fruit of the Spirit/Bun and Coffee Make April 23-Why does it matter with the Fruit of the Spirit?/Candle Talk April 30-How can we truly spread it? Why does God want us to do this?/Candle Make **Dinner Providers for April:** April 16-Beamon and Glass Families (meal TBD) April 23-Fine Family (meal TBD) April 30-Beck Family (meal TBD)



#### <u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u> Every Sunday from 9:45-10:45am in various classrooms on the lower level



We invite you to join us for Sunday School each Sunday morning as children split up into more age specific small groups and dive deeper into our monthly verse and themes. They have loving Sunday School teachers with awesome plans ready to go for them to help each child learn more about what plans God has for each of their lives. Our Little Explorers (2 and 3 year olds) are continuing to learn from the Little Bible Heroes and will be learning about Martha and Easter this month. The rest of our classes will look at Easter and the verse from Luke 24:2-3. It's a great time to gather together in a smaller group on Sunday mornings!

#### <u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u> Sunday, April 2, 16, and 30 during the 11:00am service

Children's Church will continue in April by beginning in the Sanctuary for the first little bit of the worship service. If there is a Children's Chat we will leave afterwards to go to the Children's Church room. If there is not, then there will be a specific time in which

we will leave to go down together. Parents will pick up in the Children's Church room after the service. During our time together we will praise God through music, have a small snack and participate in an activity focused on our verse of the month. This month we are learning about Luke 24:2-3, "They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus." There will not be Children's Church on Easter Sunday, April 9 because of the shortened/altered schedule that day or on the Sunday, April 23 because of the special Singstunde service.

#### HOLY WEEK

#### Sunday, April 2-Friday, April 7 from 7:30 to 8:30pm



Each night families and friends will gather as we sing and read about the last week of Jesus' life here on Earth. There will be the reading of "Benjamin's Box" and a CE Member, Trustee and Elder will be taking the children to do special activities with them to the Discovery Classroom. It will be a wonderful week to learn about Jesus and His great sacrifice for each one of us!

#### EASTER PROGRAM Saturday, April 8 from 10:00am to 12:00 noon

Grab the kids, find the Easter baskets and join us for an awesome Easter event! Children from toddlers to elementary age (2 years – 5th grade) will enjoy Easter activities, crafts, yummy refreshments, egg hunt and more! This is a perfect event to invite your neighbors and friends to celebrate the real meaning of Easter! The program will be rain or shine.



#### LAUREL RIDGE CAMP OPPORTUNITIES



The different summer camp opportunities for your child(ren) are below! There is a separate code for Pre-Junior and Junior camp this year so make sure to pay close attention to that below! Also, don't forget to get signed up for Spring Family Camp! It's a great time to gather together with your family on the mountain with other friends as well! Register at <u>www.laurelridge.org</u> Laurel Ridge Camp Opportunities for 2023

Spring Family Camp-May 26 -28

Pre-Junior Camp-July 28-30 for children who just finished 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade-Camp Code-friedbergpj2023

Junior Camp-July 30-August 5 for children who just finished 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade-Camp Codefriedberg2023

#### <u>SINGSTUNDE</u> April 23 during the 11:00am service



Come join a special service where we will be lead in singing from various groups in the church! The Cherub Choir and C.R.O.S.S. Kids will both be singing during the service! It will be a great time of praise as well as worship to Jesus during our 250<sup>th</sup> celebration of of church!

April's verse to focus on will be:

#### "They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find



#### the body of the Lord Jesus."

#### Luke 24:2-3

What an awesome time of the year it is! A time to celebrate our Lord being risen! Yes He is risen indeed! And this verse...the thought of seeing the stone being rolled away, not seeing Jesus there in the tomb anymore-What would your family think? Would you be shocked? Fearful? Excited? Think about that and talk as a family and then go out and tell the good news to all those you meet that the Lord is risen!

# SPOTLIGHT ON THE CHILDREN OF FRIEDBERG...

### "Speak Up...Speak Out-Until the Whole World Hears!"

Our Weekend Away was amazing like always! We had a great time playing, singing, learning, worshipping and having the time of our lives on the mountain! The theme was "Speak Up...Speak Out-Until the Whole World Hears!" and we based it off of 1 Timothy 4:12, "Do not let anyone look down on you

because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." as well as Casting Crowns song "Until the Whole World Hears". Both of these along with other things we did helped us understand better what we are called to do-no matter our age and/or size...tell others about Jesus!!! We can do that through speech, conduct, love, faith and being pure! We cannot wait to do that each and every day. Some of our friends tells of what they learned or some of their favorite parts of the weekend! Hope you get a little glimpse of what we experienced through them!

Kallon was grateful for the experience of being with his friends & a bunch of nice people. He was happy that everyone got along & how much fun he had. He also mentioned that the food was yummy. :)

Carrie said, "It means that just because you're little or poor it doesn't mean you can't worship God or tell about him. It was a really nice weekend and time to connect with God since Laurel Ridge has that impact."

Lara wants you to know, "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young!"

Eloise said, "I liked that we were able to speak up and speak out about things...like Jesus!! I'm going to speak up and speak out about Jesus to everybody!"

Elise says, "It was really cool to lead worship and everyone was able to do more things than we were able to do before because we were speaking up and speaking out!"

Heidi Everhart Director of Children's Ministry <u>heverhart@friedberg.church</u>

"I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in truth." 3 John 1:4



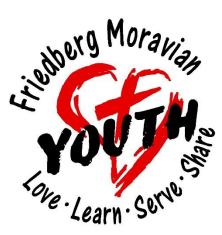












Director of Youth – Karen Hill High School Boys – Curtis Ferrell High School Girls – Melissa Davis and Michelle Decker Middle School Boys – Riley Hill and Sean Tatman Middle School Girls – Chloe Williamson and Katie Hill

# **Friedberg Moravian Youth Mission Statement**

FM Youth will **LOVE** one another as Christ loves us, we will **LEARN** about God, so we can use our gifts and talents for His purpose, and we will **SERVE** others as an expression of Christ's love, and we will **SHARE** the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

# Youth – Small Groups and Singstunde Practice April 2<sup>nd</sup> 5:00 – 7:00



Whether it's your favorite movie, book, or reality show, you know there's nothing like a good plot twist! Those storytelling surprises can keep us entertained, but they can do a lot more than that too. A good plot twist can make us rethink everything we thought we knew, see things in a brand-new light, and get excited about what might happen next. That's never truer than in the most surprising and significant plot twist in history — Jesus'

death and resurrection.



# Crosswalk, Place Flowers in Friedberg's Graveyard, Learn the Historical Background and Hide Easter Eggs. Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> 9:00 – 2:00

The youth will travel to Oak Forest UMC (11461 Old US Hwy 52, WSNC) to join the community in remembering the walk Jesus made to Calvary. Along the way, we'll read

scripture and carry a cross 1.5 walk is for anyone wanting to join believers in remembering the

our sins on Good Friday. The youth need to be at church load the bus. The youth will also place flowers in graveyard, learn the historical background and hide CROSS KIDS. We will do this when we get back to the



miles. The cross a community of walk Jesus made for around 9:00 am to Friedberg's Easter Eggs for church.

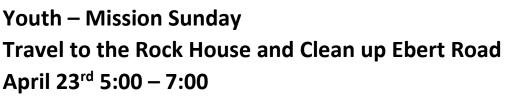


# Youth – Small Groups and Singstunde Practice April 16<sup>th</sup> 5:00 – 7:00

The youth will practice for the Lovefeast Musical after dinner. After practice the youth will enter into small groups and talk about the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. When sin leads to destruction and brokenness, it doesn't always seem like there is hope for change or redemption. But with Jesus, there's always one more plot twist in the works. What happened on that first Easter Sunday is proof that when sin brings death, Jesus gives life.

# Singstunde April 23<sup>rd</sup> 11:00 am

The youth will perform a "Love Feast Musical" during the Singstunde service. The musical will highlight the history behind the love feast along with singing the youth's favorite camp song: Love Feast.



On this night, the youth will travel to Adam Spach's rock house. Adam Spach founded Friedberg Moravian Church in 1773. To celebrate Friedberg's 250<sup>th</sup>

anniversary, the youth will not only see where Friedberg began but learn some historical facts surrounding the rock house. The youth will also help celebrate Earth Day by picking up trash on Ebert Road.

# Youth – Movie Night (Family Camp) April 30<sup>th</sup> 5:00 – 7:30

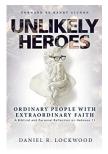
It's movie night!!!! What a better movie to watch to prepare us for Laurel Ridge than "Family Camp". This hilarious movie, starring the skit guys, illustrates how family camp can bring polar opposite families together to create friendships, break down walls and grow closer to God.



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# Sunday School (9:45 – 10:45) Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>

The middle and high school youth will continue studying Hebrews 11. Hebrews identifies faith and gives examples of faith through the sixteen heroes of faith in the Old Testament. This is a great opportunity for our youth to dig deeper into the stories of famous and not so famous heroes of faith. We'll learn that ordinary people can have extraordinary faith. In the month of April, the youth will study Rahab and discover how her faith impacts our lives.

# The Revival Sunday School (9:45 – 10:45) Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup>

The Revival Class (Young Adults)s meets in the library room 221. The young adult class is studying "Jesus in our Culture". Every generation approaches the world a bit differently, impacting their view of God, self, and neighbor. For young adults, major advances in technology and rapidly changing social and political landscapes have left



us scrambling to find—or even define—truth. How do we adapt to cultural revolutions while remaining anchored to God's unchanging word?



## Youth Birthdays:

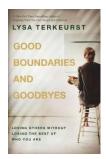
Norah Brown – April 20<sup>th</sup>

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- Reminds type @friedbergm to 81010
- Email <u>khill@friedbergmoravian.org</u>

## Young Adult Birthdays:

- Jennifer Sink April 8<sup>th</sup>
- Daniel Randleman April 25<sup>th</sup>

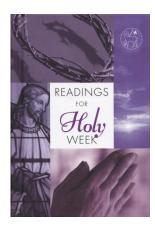




Starting May 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 9:30 am in the Youth room, Karen Hill is beginning an adult Bible Study entitled: *Good Boundaries and Goodbyes*" by Lysa TerKeurst. Lysa understands the personal struggles with boundaries in relationships. She wants to teach you that it isn't unloving to set boundaries in your relationships. You'll be relieved to learn that boundaries aren't just a good idea, they're a God idea. In this six-session video Bible study, you will discover how to set boundaries you can keep, communicate them, and finally see them working in your life. Bring \$11 to purchase the study guide. Text/email/call Karen Hill

FM Youth would like to help celebrate Friedberg's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. In order do that, we need your help. We would like to learn how to make all things Moravian, such as pottery, chicken pie, slaw, stars, candles, candle trimming, Chrismon's, blankets, cookies, sugar cake and coffee mugs. What a better way to learn Moravian history than to participate in recreating it. If you would like to help the youth learn how to make these things, please email/text/call Karen Hill. We would like to carry on the Moravian traditions. Who knows you might see some of our creations at the Fall Bazaar. Thank you so much and we look forward to learning from the best.





Holy Week Readings – April 2<sup>nd</sup> – April 7<sup>th</sup>

Sunday through Friday starting at 7:30 pm



Easter Sunday Service – April 9<sup>th</sup> Join us for a special worship service.

Dear Seniors,



Congratulations! I am so proud of all your hard work and dedication in completing your level of education. Friedberg Moravian Youth would like to honor your hard work and dedication on **Graduation/Youth/Promotion Sunday (6/5/23).** We your help!

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

- 1. Go to <a href="https://www.friedberg.church/2023-graduates">https://www.friedberg.church/2023-graduates</a>
- 2. Fill out the graduate form
- 3. Click on "browse files" under "File upload senior picture"
  - a. Take a photo using "Take photo" of you in your cap and gown
  - b. Or upload a picture of you in your cap and gown from your computer or phone
- 4. Click submit

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."

Sincerely,

Karen Hill

Mission Camp-Week 2- June 18<sup>th</sup> - June 24<sup>th</sup> Middle High Camp 1- June 25<sup>th</sup> – July 1<sup>st</sup> Middle High Camp 2- July 9<sup>th</sup> – July 15<sup>th</sup> Senior High Camp – July 16<sup>th</sup> – July 2<sup>nd</sup> Cuba Mission Trip – July 23<sup>rd</sup> – July 30<sup>th</sup>

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<b>2</b> Palm Sunday Richard Browne Betty Helms Sam Johnson Robbie Stiefel	3 Madeline Matise	<b>4</b> Brenda Hartman Bobby Myers Carolyn Myers	5 Rob Carswell	6 Maundy Thursday Jeff Howell	<b>7</b> Good Friday Brenda Dennis Amanda Fine Katy Stefanick Gladys Stimpson	8 Kevin Clark Jennifer Sink Opal Stafford Pat Walter
<b>9</b> Easter Sunday Tyler Chambers Madalyn Davis Susie Fishel Denise Randleman Joy Reich	<b>10</b> Easter Monday Kristin Tolley Jeff Sizemore Anthony Vogel Barrett Wilkerson	<b>11</b> Lori Matise	<b>12</b> Charles Fishel Ken Ketner Mary Kate Kiger Ginny Grace Pugh Renee Kimel David Sink	<b>13</b> Seth Tucker	<b>14</b> Loretta Shore Garrett West	<b>15</b> Emma Boles Michelle Decker
<b>16</b> Linda Fansler Gene Fishel Susan Foltz Duran Link Kathy Shore	<b>17</b> Martha Plyler Brad Smith Jane Tutterow Dianne Wood	18 Shelby Rose Howell	<b>19</b> Patricia Pugh	<b>20</b> Morgan Barber Miranda Proctor	<b>21</b> Terry Ellington Beverly Huff Zach Hulcher	<b>22</b> Ed Bradley, Jr. Joshua Burns Hal Cockerham Jennifer Greenwood
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#### Pray Every Day April 2023

- 1. Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs. Pray for the Teshes in Kenya and Ray of Hope.
- 2. For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations. Pray for peace in Ukraine.
- 3. I will sing of Your love and justice; to You, O Lord, I will sing praise. Pray for the Raipur Foster Child Project.
- 4. Hear my prayer, O Lord; let my cry for help come to You. Pray for Phil and Eunice Raiford in Mexico.
- 5. Do not hide Your face from me when I am in distress. Turn Your ear to me; when I call, answer me quickly. Pray for Moravians in Honduras and Nicaragua.
- 6. Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise His holy name. Pray for the Thiessens in Canada.
- 7. The nations will fear the name of the Lord, all the kings of the earth will revere Your glory. Pray for PEC members, bishops, and other church leaders.
- 8. The Lord works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed. Pray for Adopt-a-Village in Tanzania.
- 9. The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. Pray for Moravians in Cuba and the Armando Rusindo Foundation.
- 10. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His love for those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us. Pray for the Sineaths in Campus Outreach.
- 11. O Lord my God, You are very great; You are clothed with splendor and majesty. Pray for the Clinica Evangelica Morava in Ahuas.
- 12. May my meditation be pleasing to Him, as I rejoice in the Lord. Pray for the Unity Women's Desk.
- 13. Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever. Pray for Moravians in Peru.
- 14. Who can proclaim the mighty acts of the Lord or fully declare His praise? Pray for the Hoffmans in HIV/AIDS ministry.
- 15. Let them give thanks to the Lord for His unfailing love and His wonderful deeds for men. Pray for seminarians and candidates for ordination.
- 16. My heart is steadfast, O God; I will sing and make music with all my soul. Pray for Steve and Ann Marx with Mission Aviation Fellowship.
- 17. I will praise You, O lord, among the nations; I will sing of You among the peoples. Pray for Safiatu Braima and Sierra Leonne.
- 18. For great is Your love, higher than the heavens; Your faithfulness reaches to the skies. Pray for Kevin and Charity in the Middle East.
- 19. Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, and let Your glory be over all the earth. Pray for short term mission teams.
- 20. Save us and help us with Your right hand, that those You love may be delivered. Pray for the Harrisons with Greek Intervarsity.
- 21. With my mouth I will greatly extol the Lord; in the great throng I will praise Him. For He stands at the right hand of the needy one, to save his life from those who condemn him. Pray for Anna Faircloth with YoungLife.
- 22. Great are the works of the Lord; they are pondered by all who delight in them. Pray for Brian and Heather Marx with Mission Aviation Fellowship.
- 23. He will have no fear of bad news; his heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord. Pray for Alan and DeeDee lobst in France.
- 24. From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord is to be praised. Pray for Charlie and Vicki Brent in Texas.
- 25. Not to us O Lord, not to us but to Your name be the glory, because of Your love and faithfulness. Pray for Annie B Missions and Star Mountain.
- 26. I love the Lord, for He heard my voice; He heard my cry for mercy. Because He turned his ear to me, I will call on Him as long as I live. Pray for Moravian churches in Czech Republic housing refugees.
- 27. Praise the Lord, all you nations; extol Him, all you peoples. Pray for the Board of World Missions.
- 28. The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation. Pray for Michael and Brenda Brent in Croatia.
- 29. I will not die but live and will proclaim what the Lord has done. Pray for Estamos Unidos Moravian Ministry.
- 30. Do good to your servant, and I will live; I will obey Your word. Pray for Joey Yokeley with Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

#### FRIEDBERG MORAVIAN CHURCH

<u>April 2023</u>

"The prayer of a righteous person has great power in its effect." James 5:16b

#### **MEMBERS**

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All of the names that were on the previous Family and Friends List have been deleted. If the person(s) for which you had submitted a prayer concern still needs prayer, please let the church office know by calling (336)764-1830 or sending Sherri Phillips an email at <u>sphillips@friedberg.church</u>. We will be glad to put them back on the prayer list. You can also submit prayer requests on-line on Friedberg's website at <u>www.friedberg.church</u>. If their prayer needs have been met, please let the office know so we can remove them. These names will remain on the prayer list for 30 days and will then be removed. If they still need prayer, contact the church office and we will add them back each month until their prayer concerns have been met.

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