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PASTOR’S PAGE...

Summer here at Friedens has been flying by! During the past couple of months we have done a lot of good ministry! Vacation Bible School welcomed children of many ages into the building to learn the stories of Moses and the Israelites, and that even when things are difficult or uncertain that God is good! We hosted the garage sale, which allows us to welcome and serve our neighbors. We have continued to be a place of meeting and ministry for groups in our community including: Holy Cross, Cristo Jesús la resurrección I la vida, the South Salt Creek Neighborhood Organization, the Veggie Van (providing a site for our neighbors to buy low cost fresh produce), and more!

Thanks to all who have helped to make this possible through giving of time, sharing of gifts, and/or donation of supplies. What none of us can do alone, together as the body of Christ, we can do!

Now, fall is almost upon us. Fall means new adventures! New schools, new routines, new schedules, new activities to fit in, new teachers, new classmates, and more await us. There’s promise and excitement in that newness, but also some uncertainty and maybe even a little anxiety. There can also be chaos as we adjust: things can feel out-of-whack as we find and settle into new ways of patterning our lives around those changes.

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Upcoming dates...

Friedens Neighborhood Picnic

September 8th
3:00-7:00pm

“Streets Alive” Celebration

September 22nd
1:00 — 4:30pm



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In the coming days and weeks, I invite you to pray this prayer from Holden Village, whenever you face newness or uncertainty. I have found it helpful as a reminder that we rest in God's love and are not alone, whatever road we travel and whatever lies ahead on our journeys.

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Summer Special Music...

We have a wonderful line up of music this summer!

August 4th—Karen Scribner and Julie Erickson will do a vocal/flute duet.

August 11th —Jean Wheat will play a harmonica solo.

If you know of anyone who would like to share their musical talents with us this summer, please let the office know. Call 402-476-3888 or email: office@friedens.org.



Senior Potluck Fellowship...

"Senior Lunch" is held the second Tuesday of the month at 12:00 noon. All seniors are welcome! All are encouraged to bring a dish to share. This is a time of fellowship as we enjoy a potluck meal. Following the meal communion is offered by Pastor Kate to those who are not able to attend Sunday Worship. Arrangements can be made for transportation if needed.

Our next gathering will be August 12th. Come join us! Please speak with Maxine Pfrimmer or call the church office if you have questions.

PRAYER CHAIN...

The Prayer Chain at



Friedens a vital part of the ministry we do. Caring for others in general, but especially for those in our church family, is what we are called to do. You are needed. Please call Maxine Pfrimmer (402-464-3024) and tell her you would love to be part of the prayer chain.

School Kits for Lutheran World Relief

It's that time of year again.... in order to take advantage of "back to school sales". We are currently collecting items. Last year we assembled 150 school kits. It may be hard to reach this number again this year, but let's try!!

The type and number of items needed for school kits is determined by Lutheran World Relief. Each school kit is to contain the following items:

FOUR 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8" X 10½"; no loose-leaf paper

FIVE black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)

FIVE unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers

ONE pair of blunt scissors

ONE 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other

ONE pencil sharpener

ONE box of 16 or 24 crayons

ONE 2½" eraser

Please drop off your donations in the container in the entryway of the church. Thank you!!



SEPTEMBER WORSHIP

LEADERS

Altar Guild

Jane Cosier & Fran Zessin

Head Usher

Gary Hardt

Communion Assistant

1— Sue Busker

15 — Karen Scribner

Lectors

1 —Margaret Vogt

8 —Margaret Vogt

15— Sue Busker

22— Carolyn Hogg

29— Linda Dreith

Greeters

1— Alma Wilson & Judy Trampe

8— Maxine Pfrimmer & Deb Marr

15— Chuck & Lori Schwahn

22— Ron & Margaret Vogt

29— Steve & Peggy Russell



AUGUST Birthdays and Anniversaries

(01) Eunice Worster
 (01) Barbara Brunken
 (02) Haylee Rutt
 (02) Timothy & Jan Bukoske (16 Yrs)
 (03) Verlene Owens
 (04) Al Scribner
 (06) Christopher Young
 (06) David & Jane Cosier (53 Yrs)
 (08) Susan Busker
 (09) Callen Hauschild
 (11) Carolyn Hogg
 (12) Shawn & Rachel Johanson (13Yrs)
 (15) Linda Koch
 (17) Wilder & Verlene Owens (28 Yrs)
 (18) Michael Salvage
 (20) Joseph Towns
 (20) Karen Scribner
 (20) Bob & Carolyn Hogg (53 Yrs)
 (22) Jan Bukoske
 (23) Kathie Svoboda
 (26) Jean Wheat
 (26) Rich & Crystal Anderson (30 Yrs)
 (27) Olivia Brown
 (28) Dorothy Loos

AUGUST WORSHIP

LEADERS

Altar Guild

Jodi Urban & Kathy Holland

Head Usher

Gary Hardt

Communion Assistant

4— Maxine Pfrimmer

18 —Fran Zessin

Lectors

4— Maxine Pfrimmer

11— Linda Dreith

18 —Sue Busker

25 — Amy Rezny

Greeters

4 —Rempe Family

11— Deb Marr & Neoma Jones

18— Linda Dreith & Carol Boellstorff

25— Bob & Carolyn Hogg



In Our Thoughts and Prayers... Please let the church office know if there has been a birth, baptism, marriage or death in your family that you would like to share. Let us know if someone is hospitalized or needs our prayers. With your permission, this request will be added to the list of Prayer Concerns in the Sunday bulletin. If you would like immediate prayers for the individual, the office will initiate the Prayer Chain.

HIPPA regulations do not allow a hospital to notify the church if someone in our congregation is hospitalized. Please call the church office with this information at 402-476-3888 or email at office@friedens.org. You can also call the Pastor @ (316)371-0803, in case of an emergency.



Prayers....



Gary Overfield

Larrie Schmidt

Robin Michael

Donna Splichal

Verlene Owens

Crystal Anderson

Doris Massman (Jean Wheat's sister)

Dean & Angie Dreith (Scott Dreith's brother)

Nancy Carpenter (Cindy Worster's sister)

Teresa Palazzo (Jeremy Erickson's wife)

"Streets Alive"... The South Salt Creek neighborhood has been selected for the site of the annual "Streets Alive!" Celebration by Partnership for a Healthy Lincoln. This will be held Sunday, September 22nd, 1:00—4:30pm. "Streets Alive" is an outdoor movement festival celebrated in cities across America that cordons off a two-mile route in the neighborhood. This is a FREE community event that promotes active living and healthy nutrition in a fun and interactive way. There will be exhibitors, free health resources, food and fun. The "Streets Alive!" planning group also works with the Historic Preservation Commission to identify historical homes or other features in the area. Watch for continued updates in the September newsletter.

Veggie Van...

The Veggie Van will be set up at Friedens Lutheran Church in our driveway this summer on the dates below. Friedens is happy to provide a location for this outreach program for the people in our community. The Veggie Van is a mobile vegetable and fruit market created by the 501c3 not-for-profit Community Crops to increase the awareness of healthy food choices among Lincoln's low income neighborhoods. It is sponsored by the Community Health Endowment of Lincoln, and, with the Nebraska Extension Office provides "Double Up Food Bucks" offering 2 for 1 purchases for those on the SNAP program. A representative of this program is at each visit to explain the program to newcomers.

DATES: August 29, September 26, October 24.



When we give freely.....

We are able to be a part of God's Kingdom work at Friedens, in Lincoln and around the world. We serve an incredibly generous God and count it a privilege to give back to God what has been generously given to us.

Year To Date Report: June 2019

Receipts \$ 54,401.67

Disbursements \$ 56,870.45

GARAGE SALE...

Thank you to everyone for all the great work! Donations and support on the garage sale enabled us to make \$2326.00 for the general fund.

God blessed us with great giving people at Friedens. Thanks again!



You're Invited!

Friedens Lutheran Church, Sunday School & Neighborhood Picnic

Sunday September 8th



3:00pm to 7:00pm
6th and D Street



For the kids!!!!

Bounce House!

18' Dual Slide!

50' Ultimate Obstacle Course!

Rock Climbing Wall!
Face Painting!

GAMES

We will have free games for all ages from 3:00pm

to 5:00pm

PRIZES! PRIZES! PRIZES!

Meal

Russ's Market at Codington and A Streets is furnishing our picnic with hamburgers, hotdogs and buns. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Dinner starts at 5:00.

BINGO

Bingo will start after dinner at 6:00pm. All ages welcome.

Bingo prizes will include: grocery items donated by Russ's Market, sunglasses, t-shirts, cell phone accessories, novelty items, restaurant gift certificates and many others!!!!

Snacks...SNOWCONES! ICE CREAM SANDWICHES! POPCORN! POP!

This event is possible with contributions by Runza Restaurants and Russ's Market.

Please plan on attending and feel free to bring a friend(s)!

Vacation Bible School was held July 11-14, 2019



Our theme was "God is Good". Through the Bible, points the children learned that when life is unfair, scary, changing, sad, good,...God is always good and is always with them through it all. Just like he was with the Israelites when they were fleeing Egypt. These points were integrated into each of the station activities. VBS gave the children and adults the opportunity to develop friendships and build relationships with each other and with our Lord and Savior.

The 24 children that participated this year enjoyed the "African Continent" environment. They learned more about how God helped the Israelites to be freed from Egyptian rule as Moses relied on God to lead them to the promised land each day through Bible stories, songs, crafts, science, games, and snacks. During each session they collected tags with Bible verses on them to help them remember God's words.

Our mission project was collecting money for our companion synod, the Northern Dioceses of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania, to buy textbooks for the children in Tanzania. Each \$10.00 pays for one text book. We also had a local mission project. We collected personal care items for CenterPointe who had run out of most supplies for the people who need them. During VBS \$100 was raised for textbooks and many personal care items were brought in. We will continue to collect for these two projects until Aug. 11th.

A huge thanks to everyone who helped to make this VBS a success. This special time for our children to learn more about God and his love would not be able to happen, if all the people below were not open to using their talents and doing His will.

A special thanks to our church family for giving of themselves and using their talents to share God's love:

Scenery: Julie Erickson, Kathy Rempe, Kayle Hardt

Crafts: Kayle Hardt and Dan Day

Music: Trae Andrews, Karen Scribner, Amy Rezny, Pastor Kate, Tina Strong, Anna Fullerton, Myles Hardt

Imagination Station (Science): Julie Erickson

Wild Bible Adventures: Pastor Kate, Carol Boellstorff

Stampede Sports: Kathy Rempe, Trae Andrews

Guides and Helpers: Danielle and Eric DuSchene, Amy Rezny, Lou Scrdlant, Karen and Al Scribner, Carol Boellstorff

Hungry Herd Cafe/Picnic Lunch: Kathy Holland, Ron Vogt, Carol Boellstorff, Irene Newhouse

Picture takers and slide show: Dan Day

Putting up Outside Banner: Gary Hardt

Printing logo/registration/color pages/ordering/etc: Bev Mittan

Church members and friends who donated money and food (snack) supplies and kept us in their prayers.

Parents and grandparents who brought their children so that they could experience God's love in action.

Church members who invited and brought children they knew.

Church members who supported us and came down to the fellowship hall to join us in our VBS celebration.

Clean up/Taking down decorations: Kathy Rempe, Julie Erickson, Tina Strong, Pele Strong, Kayle Hardt, Dan Day

Sheridan Lutheran Church: Sharing VBS posters and decorations with us.

As you can see it takes many hands and hearts to do VBS. If anyone is accidently left off this list, please know that we appreciate you as well.

Thanks to you all!!! The Education Committee

