

The Friedensbote

Another step of faith! Glory to God!

At the special Congregational Meeting held on Sunday evening, February 23, an overwhelming majority of members present voted to reorganize the current two pastoral ministry positions into three. The recommendation came as a result of the work of the Staffing Evaluation Committee that was formed after Pastor Matt left to continue his education at Bethel Seminary.

Pastor Mark will continue to serve as Senior Pastor with primary responsibilities in the areas of: preaching and worship, administration, staff coordination, oversight of the various church committees and ministries, pastoral counseling, visitation, special services, and pastoral outreach to the community.

An Associate will be sought to serve with an emphasis on Assimilation and Discipleship. This person will help develop strategies for reaching the unchurched in the greater Port Washington area, coordinate the timely follow up of new people to Friedens, provide leadership and oversight for the adult Christian education ministries, develop leadership-building opportunities for lay people, provide leadership in the areas of fellowship and relationship-building, and serve the church as needed.

An Associate will be sought to serve with an emphasis on children, youth and family minis-

tries. This person will coordinate a comprehensive strategy of outreach, spiritual growth and fellowship through the various children's and youth ministries, will help further develop lay leadership, will be the primary leader for the Jr. High—Sr. High ministries, will help develop and implement strategies to reach out to unchurched children, youth and families in the greater Port Washington area, and will serve the church as needed.

Volunteers will be needed to form a Search Committee. The process, which will take some time, involves: developing specific "job descriptions", pulling together information for candidates about our church and community, seeking candidates, evaluating profiles, doing interviews, developing compensation packages, and ultimately presenting to the congregation for vote, the individual candidates and their respective financial packages.

Significant prayer and planning, along with our passion for reaching more people with the gospel of Christ, have brought us to this step of faith. Now is the time for even more prayer as we seek to identify the people God is already preparing to come alongside us as together we "seek out and welcome all in need of spiritual direction, reconcile lives to God, and build and equip devoted disciples to serve Christ Jesus."

Kevin Grady, Congregational President

MARCH 2003

Dates to remember:

March 6th: Senior's Women's Afternoon Fellowship (weather permitting)

March 9th: BLAZE Bowling Night at Circle B

March 22nd: Membership Seminar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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**Worship: 8:30 am & 10:30 am
Christian Education Hour
Nursery available.**

2 Worship 8 & 10:30am the Lord's Supper BLAZE 6:30-8	3 6:30 pm Building Committee	4 7:00 pm H.S. Guys & Girls Bible Studies	5 6:30-8:00 AWANA 6:30 Men's bible fellowship	6 6:30am Prayer Group 1 pm Senior Women's Fellowship 7pm Choir/ Worship team	7	8
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Please Pray for: construction teams, building committee, church council/elders, search committee and Pastor Mark.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We need volunteers for a variety of things:

Search Committee:

A committee is needed for searching for two Pastors.

Next July is the **150th anniversary** of Friedens: people are needed for the planning committee.

Library News

We are now open

Sundays 7:30 am-12:30 pm

Wednesdays 6:15 pm-8:00 pm

If someone has a special need we are available anytime; just call Dawn Uselding at 262-573-6309.

Feel free to let us know if there is a specific book you're looking for or a specific need. We have many references and resources available.

Anyone who is willing to volunteer in the library, should call Dawn Uselding. We can always use more help!

Have you seen the newly decorated main office? Check it out! It looks great!

A big thank you to the crew who did the redecorating, and to the guys who networked the computers!

Gary & Litha Mueller

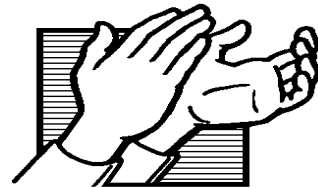
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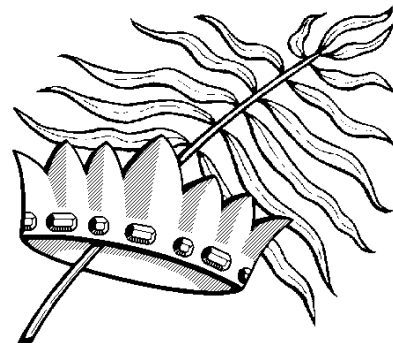
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A ROUND OF APPLAUSE!



UPCOMING EVENTS!

Palm Sunday, April 13th will be our first Sunday in our newly renovated sanctuary!
Hallelujah! We'll have our regular schedule of worship & Sunday School.

Membership Seminar on March 22nd

9:00 am -12:00 pm

For those wanting to take the first step toward membership in the church or those who simply want to learn more about our mission, ministry and membership.

RSVP is suggested.
No cost or obligation.

June 1st is the Dedication of our renovated sanctuary, new organ piano etc.!

We will have an open house and dessert reception.



April 20th 2003

Easter Sunday Worship Schedule

7:00 am Worship Celebration
8:00 am Breakfast
9:00 am Worship Celebration
10:30 am Worship Celebration
(No Sunday School)



BLAZE Youth Stuff!!

The Winter Retreat was big fun! There were 22 kids, 7 leaders, a live band, lots of snow and some awesome worship, but most important... 3 teens accepted Christ!!! Way to go God!

Here are some future events, be sure to bring your friends!!!

March 9th Sunday: Bowling at Circle B! It's only \$4.00 for 2 games, shoes, and a ride to and from the bowling alley. (talk to a leader if the cost is a problem). Meet at church at 5:30 and return around 8:30PM.

April 5th Saturday: Movie/Pizza/Ice Cream Night!! 7pm-12am (movie TBA)

May 18th Sunday: Last night of regular BLAZE:(Underground Church!!! Yes really!

June 12th Thursday: Last day of school!! **SKILLET CONCERT!** More information later!

July 6th Sunday: Road trip to Milwaukee Rescue Mission to help serve a meal.

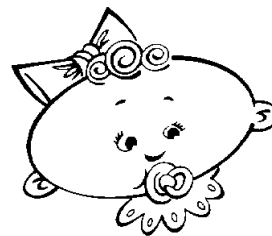
Happy Birthday!



Gary Zirbes	03/02
Gloria Walczak	03/02
Brigitte Pyzyk	03/03
Helmut Haak	03/03
Marge Mills	03/05
Tom Seyfert	03/05
Pat Kohn	03/06
Hazel Watry	03/07
Julie Winkelhosrt	03/07
Paul Schlenvogt	03/07
Judy McGinty	03/09
Trent Schanen	03/11
Violet Zirbes	03/12
Joanne Kowalke	03/13
Herbert Bartelt	03/15
Herbert Schaefer	03/15
Violet Schmidt	03/15
Nancy Grady	03/19
Jason Stoecker	03/20
Francis Swatek	03/20
Erin Bendt	03/20
Nancy Bodenstein	03/21
Owen Hughes	03/23
Richard Hauser	03/25
Ray Schwinn	03/28
Toni Jacque	03/31

Happy Anniversary!

Skip & Katie Emory	03/23/1989
Trent & Karen Schanen	03/23/1974
Terry & Maryann Stoecker	03/24/1979



Chris & Candy Shafer had a baby girl on February 11th!
 She was 7lbs. and 18-1/2" long. Sydney McKenna Shafer
 joins big brother Braeden at home.
 Congratulations and welcome Sydney!



The nursery coordinator is always looking for new volunteers to take a Sunday or two in the Nursery. It's an important ministry! Call Lori Kelly to volunteer @ 284-1753



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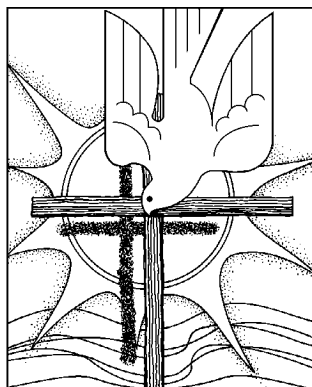
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March Sermon Series; Experiencing Spiritual Revival

- 3/2 Confessions of Sin and Human Limitations
- 3/9 Time Alone With God
- 3/16 Taking Inventory of Blessings & Gifts
- 3/23 Putting on the Full Armor of God
- 3/30 Bearing the Fruit of Revival - Stepping Out of Faith