

The Friedensbote



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2003

Friedens Evangelical Church

From Pastor Mark...

God proves Himself faithful and powerful again! We shouldn't be surprised. The Bible is full of accounts that prove His faithfulness. When He promises something – He delivers! When He says He is going to do something – He does!

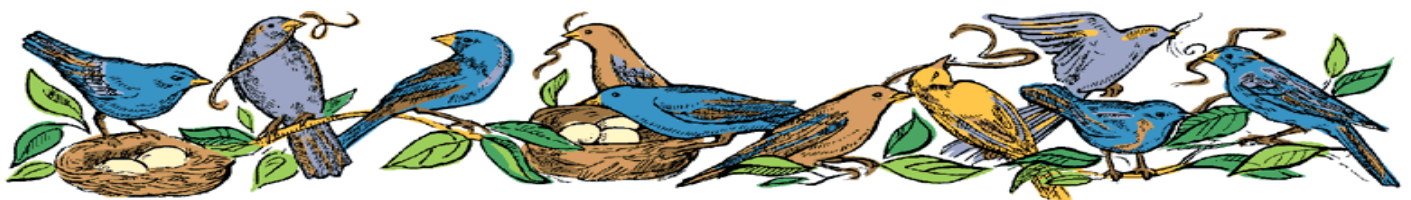
Right after the July 8, 2002 fire here at church, the leadership gathered and prayed God would give us direction and everything else we would need in order to respond to the crisis with faith and courage. Guess what...He did! He provided a terrific Building Committee, Decorating Committee, Organ/Piano Committee and others to come together with ideas, discussion, and decisions that have culminated in an outstanding renovation project. Praise the Lord!

God the Father promised to send the Savior – He did. The Savior promised to send the Holy Spirit into the lives of believers – He did. The Spirit promises to give life to our faith so it has the power to grow and spread – He has and He does!

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father...summer and winter and springtime and harvest...great is Thy faithfulness... Lord, unto me!

Friends, do you have faith in God's faithfulness? Do you take comfort in knowing that once you are His – purchased by the blood of His only begotten Son – that nothing in all creation will be able to separate you from His love? Do have approach His throne of grace with humble confidence knowing that He desires you to draw near? Do you pray believing God will answer your prayer?

“Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you – allelu, alleluia! Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find, knock and the door shall be opened unto you – allelu, alleluia!”





HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO..

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| Chris Simonson | 5/01 |
| Tracy Cooper | 5/01 |
| June Schowalter | 5/02 |
| Trent Schanen | 5/02 |
| Tammy Wojciehowski | 5/02 |
| Jim Blick | 5/03 |
| Melissa Monroe | 5/03 |
| Nancy Mueller | 5/03 |
| Gary Schlenvogt | 5/03 |
| Jacquelyn Huybers | 5/03 |
| Doris Feider-Schlenvogt | 5/06 |
| Ervin Schlenvogt | 5/07 |
| Robert Schuh | 5/07 |
| Melissa Scheibel | 5/11 |
| Ashley Plier | 5/12 |
| Johanna Schwenzig | 5/12 |
| Jessica Seyfert | 5/12 |
| Kyle DuMez | 5/14 |
| Linda Lueck | 5/14 |
| Samantha Vaughan | 5/14 |
| Mary Scheibel | 5/15 |
| Sarah Rowley | 5/15 |
| Julie Mills | 5/17 |
| Litha Mueller | 5/17 |
| Jay Jacque | 5/17 |
| Corey Landon | 5/18 |
| Ellie Meyer | 5/24 |
| Maryanne Seyfert | 5/28 |
| Sandra Graff | 5/30 |
| Samuel Blamer | 5/30 |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO...

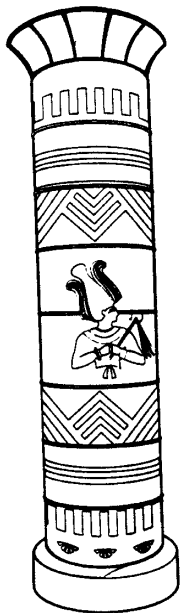
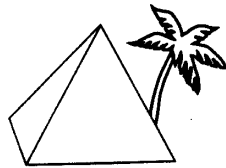
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| Chris & Candy Shafer | 5/4/1996 |
| Owen & Sandy Hughes | 5/6/1961 |
| Jimmy & June Schowalter | 5/6/1961 |
| Ward & Tami Wojciehowski | 5/6/1989 |
| Sam & Sandy Sternhagen | 5/7/1988 |
| Chris & Marcia Brown | 5/11/1991 |
| Ray & Maxine Schwinn | 5/12/1967 |
| John & Doris Seyfert | 5/19/1956 |
| John & Julie Newton | 5/23/1987 |
| Jim & Stacy Breimon | 5/24/1997 |
| Jay & Dena Jacque | 5/29/1982 |
| Gary & Marie Zirbes | 5/31/1969 |

*Robyn Wetzel (daughter of Dave & Karen
Wetzel) and Brad Dieringer have
announced their engagement!
They are planning a 2004 wedding!*





Treasures of the Nile



Get ready to search and dig! Mount up those camels! Mark your calendars! Your kids won't want to miss a minute of the action! Another fun-packed Vacation Bible School will take place daily from 8:30 to 12:00, June 16th - 20th. "Kid's are going to explore some of the mysteries of ancient Egypt!" says Sue Voll, "but the real treasure we will unearth lies hidden in the Bible stories, which took place in that land. Most importantly, kids will discover in every story that God was preparing for the coming of Jesus, the greatest treasure of all. Through the activities they'll uncover great truths about the way God works: He plans! He sees! He empowers! He acts! He saves!!"

The week is packed full of excitement, we are seeking teams members to help in each site including

Living Word Oasis, Chariots of Fun,
Pharaoh's Phood Court, and the
Craft Bazaar.

To Join Our Expedition Team Call the
Church Office 284-2471





There are so many great things going on with BLAZE! Come and check out BLAZE Youth Group (Grades 7-12) Sundays at 6:30 pm. **We dare you!** (and as always BRING YOUR FRIENDS!)

Here are just a few upcoming events:

- May 18th (Sunday): Underground Church
- June 12th (Thursday): Skillet (a Christian Rock Band) is coming to the P. W. H. S auditorium. This is going to be AWESOME!
- July 6th (Sunday): Road trip to the Milwaukee Rescue Mission.
- July 20-25 H.S. Summer Missions trip to Leech Lake, MN. We will be staying on an Indian Reservation (Ojibwe/Chippewa) and help repair homes and work with children. There will be devotional time and group worship every day. Questions? Call the church office or Doug & Marci Ferrell.

Please feel free to contact any of the leaders for more information:
Greg Blamer, Bridget Huston, Doug & Marci Ferrell,
Jesse & Nancy Mueller & Vicki Schuette

High School Mission Trip to Leech Lake MN. Is July 20-25th

There will be an informational meeting for parents and those going on the trip to Leech Lake, MN. The meeting is on May 5th at 6:30 at church. We will go over details, give out packing lists and answer any questions.

Students should also attend.

The following students have signed up for the trip:

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| Ashley Tretter | Amber Ferrell | Tracy Cooper | Megan Jossee |
| Barbie Schulze | Jeffrey Esselman | David Toeller | Alex Kornely |
| Al Medinger | Roy Desimone | Alan Hoerig | |

Please remember them in your prayers.

Don't forget to put **JUNE 12th** aside for **SKILLET**
(a Christian Band) coming to the
Port Washington High School Auditorium at 7 pm
The tickets are only \$5 in advance and \$8 at the door.



COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE AND CHURCH RE-DEDICATION

We're starting to put together plans for a community open house and church re-dedication celebration for Sunday afternoon June 1. Lots of details need to be worked out, but set the date aside on your calendar.

The remaining stained glass windows and the organ console will be installed by the re-dedication. The real pipes for the pipe organ won't be ready until Fall, but the conventional part of the organ installation will be completed mid-May.



A Special thank you to the following people who helped clean the church Friday and Saturday before Palm Sunday Worship.

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| Lori & Brad Kelly | Mike & Deb Bendt |
| Nancy & Kevin Grady | Bill Paape |
| Pastor Mark & Sue Voll | Pam Landon |
| Alice Rabenhorst | Gary Mueller |
| Laurie Eberhardt | Gary Zirbes |
| Roy & Julie DeSimone | Sue Blick |

Thanks to Bill & Shirley Paape for the wreaths that are hanging in the front of the sanctuary! They are beautiful!

A special thanks to all who lead Sunday School, AWANA, BLAZE adult classes and bible studies!

...And last but not least, thanks to John Newton, Dennis LeClair, Ray Schwinn, Gary & Litha Mueller, Mike & Deb Bendt, Gary Zirbes, Alice Rabenhorst, Kent Kohn, Gary & Doris Schlenvogt, Bob & Evelyn Schuh, and any others we might have missed. Thanks for all of help these past months.

EUNICE BARTELT, A BELOVED MEMBER OF THE FRIEDENS FAMILY, DIED SUDDENLY OF A HEART ATTACK ON TUESDAY, APRIL 8TH AT THE AGE OF 77. EUNICE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, HERBERT, A LARGE FAMILY AND LOTS OF FRIENDS.

SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

More than 75 inquiries have been received concerning two ministry positions: one position would focus on adult ministries (outreach, assimilation, discipleship) and the other position would focus on youth and children's ministries (outreach, AWANA, BLAZE, Sunday School)

The Search Committee sent applications and information to about 40 potential candidates. About a dozen so far have returned completed applications. Those materials are being reviewed, carefully and prayerfully, and the next step will be setting up interviews.

While that is going on, the Church Council has a sub-committee working on compensation packages and budget numbers. Eventually, the Search Committee and Church Council will present specific candidates and salary packages to the voting members of the church.

Please keep all this in prayer, lifting up the work of these volunteers and praying that God would direct candidates He wants to join us in leadership for our growing ministry.



Don & Theresa Zuhurance

are pleased to announce the birth of their grandson (8 pounds 9 ounces) Zachary August Fischer on April 15th. Parents of Zachary are Donesa (Don & Theresa's daughter) and Jim are doing just fine; so are the grandparents.



PRAYER GROUPS,
SMALL GROUPS & BIBLE CLASSES:

AWANA-CHILDRENS MINISTRY (age 4-grade 6) meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm. The last AWANA night is May 14th. For more information contact Geryl Esselman 284-9598.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SMALL GROUP "CBG" meets most Tuesday evenings at 933 Cedar Ct. in Port Washington at 7:00pm. Call Bridget Huston @ 573-6472 for more information.

HIGH SCHOOL GUYS SMALL GROUP meets at 2310 N. Green Bay Rd., Grafton most Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm. Call Jesse Mueller @ 376-9588 for more information.

BLAZE - YOUTH GROUP (grades 7-12) meets on Sunday nights from 6:30-8:00pm. The last BLAZE night is May 18th. For more information contact the church office.

SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES for High School, Jr. High, and Elementary age kids at 9:15 am.

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASSES meet during the Sunday Morning Sunday School Hour at 9:15am. For more information see the sign-up table in the west foyer or call the church.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MEN'S BIBLE FELLOWSHIP meets at 6:30 pm on Wednesday evenings. For more information contact Mike Bendt (284-5499).

PRAYER GROUPS meet Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm and Thursday mornings at 6:30am. Everyone welcome. Contact the office for more information.

THURSDAY EVENING at 7:00pm CHOIR & WORSHIP TEAM PRACTICE Choir meets first and then the Worship Team meets at approximately 7:40pm. For more information, contact Pastor Mark!

SENIOR AFTERNOON WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP meets usually the first Thursday of the month, weather permitting. For more information contact the church office.

"CHRISTIAN RECOVERY" meeting at 8:00 pm on Tuesdays here at Friedens. It is a group for those in recovery from drug and/or alcohol abuse. It will be Bible and Christ-centered. The leaders are Lee & Dyane Sloan. You can call them for more information at 262-387-1526.

WHAT IS THE FRIEDENSNOTE!?

The Friedensnote is a weekly on-line newsletter. It has information of the following week's activities, birthdays, anniversaries and much more! If you want to receive the Friedensnote contact the church office and give us your e-mail address.





ATTENTION!

MAY 1ST (THURSDAY) NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER:

Many area churches including Friedens are involved in this community prayer service at 7:00 pm at Thomas Jefferson Middle School Cafeteria. Please join us in prayer.

MAY 5TH (MONDAY) SENIOR HIGH MISSION TRIP INFORMATIONAL MEETING:

At 6:30 pm there will be a informational meeting for parents and students going to Leech Lake Indian reservation July 20th-26th

MAY 6TH (TUESDAY) WOMEN'S COFFEE BREAK:

6:30-8:00 pm

"Planting the Seed for a Blooming Friendship"

A guest speaker from Lasting Impressions Floral will speak on "the care of a planted seed and producing beautiful bouquets." Call Deb Bendt at 284-5499 with any questions.

MAY 10TH (SATURDAY) INTERGENERATIONAL

ACTIVITY: 1:00-2:30 pm

Come and join in the music, a hymn sing, storytelling and art. Ages 1-100! Sign-up in the narthex or call the church office.

MAY 10TH (SATURDAY) A CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

DINNER: Dinner at 6:30 pm – Music by "Torn Curtain at 8:00 pm at Memories Ballroom in Port.

The night is called "A Christian Fellowship Dinner" with the wonderful Christian contemporary sound of "Torn Curtain" The cost for the evening is \$22.50. Reservations are requested and can be made by calling (262)284-6850

MAY 14TH (WEDNESDAY) AWANA AWARDS NIGHT

6:30– 7:45 PM This is the last night of AWANA, it will resume in the Fall.

MAY 16TH & 17TH (SATURDAY)

Come join Pastor David Maynard of First Baptist Church from Kentucky as he hosts "Experiencing God." Call Doug or Marci Ferrell for more info. 375-1009

MAY 18TH (SUNDAY) CHURCH DINNER

Following 10:30 am Worship. Sponsored by the Frieden's Women's Ministry.

JUNE 23RD—28TH The youth from First Baptist Church in Kentucky will be spending some time in Milwaukee this summer.

They will be ministering in various ways throughout our community and Milwaukee.

JULY 13TH (SUNDAY) CHURCH PICNIC

The annual church picnic is in need of volunteers for set-up, tear down and in many other ways. Call the church office to volunteer.

AUGUST 2ND—9TH ADULT MISSION TRIP

To First Baptist Church in Louisa, Kentucky. This will be the second trip to this area, come join us! If you aren't sure about going, talk to one of the following people who went last year... Bill or Shirley Paape, Linda Lueck, Alice Rabenhorst, Doug or Marci Ferrell, John Schuette, Pam Landon, or Ray Schwinn.

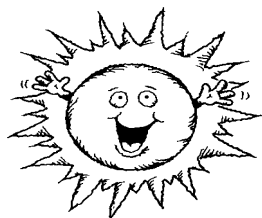


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The Summer Schedule will start, May 31 and go through August 31.

Saturday evening Worship Services 6:30 pm

Sunday morning Worship Services 9:00 am

- Adult Education class will be offered mid week and Sunday mornings following 9:00 am worship through the summer.
- Nursery will be available on both Saturday evening and Sunday mornings during worship.
- The Community Open House and Church Re-dedication is being planned for the afternoon of June 1st.
- SKILLET (Christian Band) in concert here in Port June 12th!
- VBS for kids age 4 through grade 5 is held June 16-20
- The outdoor worship & picnic will be on the bluff July 13 at 10:00 am
- The Sr. High youth mission project is July 21-25
- The adult mission project is August 2-9

It's going to be a great summer for all ages!