

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 28, 2022

*Watchword: Let mutual love continue. Hebrews 13:1*

## Prelude & Call to Worship

## Liturgy: Education

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## Congregational Notes & Concerns: (See Below)

## Presentation of Tithes & Offering

*Offertory Prayers of Praise & Petition*

*Offertory Music*

*Offertory Response*

## Hearing God's Word

Proverbs 25:6-7; Psalm 112;

The Word of God for the People of God.  
*Thanks be to God!*

**Hymn**            "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"        **No. 739**

**Message**            "Choosing a Seat at the Table"  
                              Luke 14:1, 7-14

**Hymn**            "Lord Jesus, Think on Me"                    **No. 764**

## Benediction & Postlude

## Prayer Concerns

**The Congregation:** Jim Reed, Julia Spainhour, Anna Fouts, shut-in/assisted living. Peggy Carter, at home; members of the congregation as they travel this summer; **Friends of the Congregation:** Kimeran Brewer, Beth Mathis, Ken Dorn, David Milam, with sadness we announce the death of Doris Stovall who was promoted into the higher service of his Lord Friday, August 19; **Around the Province:** the new PEC, boards, committees, and churches without pastors. **Around the World:** Total victory over Covid-19, the Economy, Peace in Europe; Justice, Peace, and Prosperity for all nations

## Staff

Worth Green, Interim Pastor; Michael Westmoreland, Music Director & Organist; Heather Doty, Administrative Assistant.

## Submission of Pastoral Concerns and Prayer Requests

**1.** If you know of a pastoral concern within our congregation, please email [frieschurch6@gmail.com](mailto:frieschurch6@gmail.com) at your earliest convenience. **2.** If you want to add a name to the Confidential Prayer List contact Kathleen Brady at [kabmhb@gmail.com](mailto:kabmhb@gmail.com). **3.** If you wish to add a name to the Weekly Email and Sunday Bulletin contact Heather Doty at [frieschurch@gmail.com](mailto:frieschurch@gmail.com).

## Services Online

Sunday Morning Worship is available live and on-demand with links to YouTube from [www.frieschurch.org](http://www.frieschurch.org).

We welcome back to the pulpit **Dana Myers** who is filling in for Worth Green.

## Calendar of Events

<b>Today</b>	11:00 a.m. Worship
<b>Thursday</b>	Dana Myers begins at Fries
<b>Sunday, Sept. 4</b>	11:00 a.m. Worship
<b>Tuesday, Sept. 6</b>	7:00 p.m. Board Meeting
<b>Saturday, Sept. 17</b>	Community Shred Day, 9:00 a.m. to noon
<b>Sunday, Oct. 2</b>	Ordination of Dana Myers at Home Church (time TBA)
<b>Sunday, Oct. 16</b>	11:00 a.m. Installation of Dana Myers at Fries 12:00 p.m. Reception in honor of Dana Myers 1:30 p.m. Crop Walk at Corpening Plaza

## Fries Memorial Moravian Church

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**Today's Board Members:** George Lamb & Warren Davis

**Next Sunday's Board Members:** Greg Knouse & George Lamb  
(recycle)

**Attendance Sunday Worship (8/21/2022):** 45

*The Motto: In Essentials, Unity; in Non-Essentials,  
Liberty; in All Things, Love."*

*The Good News: God Creates, Redeems, and Sustains,  
That we might respond in Faith, Love, and Hope!*

## Scripture August 28, 2022

### Proverbs 25:6-7

<sup>6</sup>Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; <sup>7</sup>for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen.

### Psalms 112

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD! Happy are those who fear the LORD, who greatly delight in his commandments. <sup>2</sup>Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed. <sup>3</sup>Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness endures forever. <sup>4</sup>They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful, and righteous. <sup>5</sup>It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice. <sup>6</sup>For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever. <sup>7</sup>They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the LORD. <sup>8</sup>Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes. <sup>9</sup>They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honor. <sup>10</sup>The wicked see it and are angry; they gnash their teeth and melt away; the desire of the wicked comes to nothing.

### Luke 14:1, 7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

<sup>7</sup>When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. <sup>8</sup>"When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; <sup>9</sup>and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give

this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup>But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. <sup>11</sup>For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." <sup>12</sup>He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. <sup>13</sup>But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. <sup>14</sup>And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

## **A Prayer for Educators, Parents, and Students**

All Holy, Loving, and Compassionate God,

We bring the administrators, guidance counselors, professors, teachers, school secretaries, the support staff, and the maintenance staff of our schools and universities before you. Grant them an abundance of Your wisdom. Prepare their hearts to welcome and love Your loved ones, and may we make sure to show them love and respect in return. Give them grace as they help students who aren't thriving, the courage to say what needs to be said, tools and knowledge on how and when to speak love, and strength when they feel weak. When they feel unseen, remind them that no moment goes unnoticed. They are shaping the future in one million small, yet incredibly important, ways every day. We are overwhelmed with gratitude for the gift of learning they share with children. Bless them, Lord, and may they see even just a glimpse of how their faithfulness will forever impact generations to come.

We also bring our parents, guardians, and caregivers of all students before you. They are faced with so many challenges and obstacles and they have to make decisions that require Your wisdom, understanding and insight. When they feel overwhelmed, grant them Your peace that surpasses all of their understanding. May they never feel alone or abandoned. May Your Holy Spirit strengthen them from within, so that they will be a source of strength, confidence, encouragement, and hope for their children.

Finally, we pray for our students as the new school year begins, who will be educated online, at home, or in person in our schools. As they pursue their education, enlighten their minds. May they grow in grace and wisdom. In areas where this is lacking, provide them knowledge, understanding, counsel, and fortitude. Keep them safe from all illnesses and protect them from all harm. Give them the courage and strength to tackle any challenge thrown at them this school year. May they know that their identity and worth is in You, not in their grades or extracurricular activities or even their successes/achievements.

We ask all these things through Christ, our Teacher. Amen.

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