

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 11, 2022

Watchword: *The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.*
Psalm 51:17

Prelude & Call to Worship

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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

Exodus 32:7-14, Psalm 51:1-10, Luke 15:1-10

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

Hymn "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" 457

Message
1 Timothy 1:12-17
"The Greatest Sinner"

Hymn "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" 731

Benediction & Postlude

Staff

Worth Green, Interim Pastor; Dana Myers, Associate Pastor, Michael Westmoreland, Music Director & Organist.

Covid Precautions

In accordance with guidelines issued by the CDC and the PEC, we recommend masks when indoors, social distancing, and frequent hand washing. However, masks are now optional for vaccinated persons. Let us continue to look not just to our own interests but also to the interests of others.

Prayer Concerns

The Congregation: Jim Reed, Julia Spainhour, Anna Fouts, shut-in/assisted living. Peggy Carter, at home. Sonny Whitney, health. Monroe Bowle's dog Zoe (cancer). Michael Westmoreland and family (Michael's grandmother is moving in w/his parents).

Friends of the Congregation: Beth Mathis, Tim Binkley, Oleksii Titoz, Kimeran Brewer; Carson B. Sellers, Air Force Basic Training in San Antonio, Texas. **Around the Province:** The Rev. Neil Routh, the PEC, Boards and Agencies, and churches without pastors. **Around the Nation:** Healing of our divisions. **Around the World:** Justice, Peace, and Prosperity for all nations. Health and happiness for all people. The Progress of the Gospel of Love and Grace!

Submission of Pastoral Concerns and Prayer Requests

1. If you know of a pastoral concern within our congregation, please email 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. **3.** If you wish to add a name to the Weekly Email and Sunday Bulletin contact Heather Doty at frieschurch@gmail.com.

Services Online

Sunday Morning Worship is available live and on-demand with links to YouTube from www.frieschurch.org.

Calendar of Events

- Today** 11:00 a.m. Worship
- Sunday, Sept. 11** 11:00 a.m. Worship
- Sat., Sept. 17** Community Shred Day, 9:00 a.m. to noon
- Sunday, Oct. 2** 10:15 a.m. Reception to honor Pete Crater
11:00 a.m. Worship
3:00 p.m. Ordination of Dana Myers at Home Church, Reception after in Salem Square
- Sunday, Oct. 16** 11:00 a.m. Installation of Dana Myers at Fries
12:00 p.m. Potluck Reception honoring Dana Myers
1:30 p.m. Crop Walk at Corpening Plaza

Today's Board Members: Margaret Couch, Greg Knouse

Next Sunday's Board Members: Mark Lamb, Margaret Couch

Attendance Sunday Worship (9/4/2022): 35

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***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!*

Exodus 32:7-14

7 The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; 8 they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" 9 The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. 10 Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation." 11 But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? 12 Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. 13 Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" 14 And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Psalm 51:1-10

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. 2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. 3 For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. 4 Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. 5 Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me. 6 You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. 7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. 8 Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. 9 Hide your face from my sins, and

blot out all my iniquities. 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

Luke 15:1-10

1 Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. 2 And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." 3 So he told them this parable: 4 "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? 5 When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. 6 And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' 7 Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. 8 "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? 9 When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' 10 Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

1 Timothy 1:12-17

12 I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, 13 even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, 14 and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 15 The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners--of whom I am the foremost. 16 But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. 17 To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.