

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lay Leader

PRELUDE "Sing, Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem arr, James Biery
Cheryl Mahoney, Organist

INTROIT (11:15 am) "Exalted" by Brenda Austin

Chapel Ringers

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Read responsively)

Lay Leader

Leader: Holy One, As we gather this morning to worship you, May we speak truth,

All: So that our words may give grace to those who receive.

Leader: May we pray in faith,

All: So that our piety may give grace to those who hear.

Leader: May we sing with joy,

All: So that our songs may give grace to all who are gathered.

Leader: May we listen with open minds and receptive hearts,

All: So that Your presence may give grace to us then take what we receive and transform our thoughts, words, and actions. Amen.

adapted from liturgy posted by Joanna Harader

*OPENING HYMN "Ye Servants of God"

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CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Tim

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Emilee

PSALTER (Responsive) Psalm 24.1-6

Pastor Emilee

One: The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof!

All: the world and those who dwell therein

One: for God has founded it upon the seas,

All: and established it upon the rivers

One: Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?

All: and who shall stand in God's holy place?

One: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,

All: who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully

One: They will receive blessing from the Lord,

All: and vindication from the God of their salvation

One: such is the generation of those who seek the Lord,

All: who seek the face of God of Jacob

*GOSPEL READING Matthew 25: 31-46 (NRSVUe)

Pastor Tim

MESSAGE

"Not Just the Earth"

Pastor Tim

INTRO TO OFFERING

OFFERING & MUSIC "Exalted" by Brenda Austin; Chapel Ringers (8:15 service)
"Majesty" arr. Jack Schrader; Sanctuary Choir (11:15 service)

*DOXOLOGY (modern version)

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*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God of love, we are a broken people. The fabric of life is tattered in our hands; the web is torn. Even as we wound the earth, we dream of its wholeness. Even as we deplete Creation, we marvel at its abundance. Even as our actions affect the health and well-being of the poor and downtrodden, we seek to raise awareness. Even as we separate ourselves from the natural world we long to rejoin it and reclaim our sacred belonging in the Body of Christ. We have starved ourselves of your grace, O God. Though we have turned away, forgive us. Heal us and renew us. Deepen our hunger for unity and compassion for others, renewing in us the gift of your Spirit that we may truly be branches of one vine, all Creation, bearing the fruit of your love. Amen

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

GREAT THANKSGIVING & HOLY COMMUNION

#2257 TFWS

COMMUNION HYMN

"Jesu, Jesu"

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*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (Unison)

This is your world O God, a gift of love from you. This is your meal, O God, a gift of hope from you. We give you thanks for such Grace.

As we have received, may we go out to serve you in all we do. As you have blessed us with care, may we gladly share your love with the reckless abandon of Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

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*MISSION STATEMENT: *As followers of Christ, we **Seek** others in our community, **Serve** their needs, **Grow** in the love of Christ, and **Connect** with each other."*

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Festival March on "Maccabaeus" arr, A.D. Miller

The flowers on the altar today were given by Leslie Senyitko, in Honor of her mother, Mary Ann Spring.



Scan this code (or find a paper visitor card in the pew backs), to connect with us, write a prayer request, or get more information! We'll be happy to follow up!

NOTES YOU NEED

Today- Sunday, May 3rd at 12:30 pm there will be a Church conference to formally approve the restructuring plan, all members in attendance get a vote.

May 17th Confirmation Sunday at our 9:45 am service for our 2026 class.

Plus "Community Conversations" with Joshua Cole at 4pm in Kobler Hall

May 30th Camp Rainbow Yard Sale; sell your items or donate to it! (details on this and contact info in your Friday email)

May 31st - 5th Sunday Breakfast & Single service (stay tuned for more details!), PLUS it's Graduation recognition Sunday (there will be cake!)

Saturday Social: Send Off Picnic
Honoring Erin, Meghan, and Abby!

Saturday, May 16 @11:30 am
on the Methodist Green

Bring a side dish or dessert to share and lawn chairs!

RSVP's needed for headcount
(scan the code or link on the Event webpage)

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| Attendance 4/26/2026; 8:15 -75, 9:45 -97, 11:15-79, Online- 17 | |
| Amount Needed for Budget – 2026 Annually: | \$ 1,020,206.00 |
| Monthly: | \$ 85,017.17 |
| Weekly: | \$ 19,619.35 |
| Amount Received for Budget: Year 2026: | \$ 326,796.16 |
| March 2026: | \$ 85,124.32 |
| Last Week 4/26-5/2/26: | \$ 13,135.10 |
| Amount Received to Pay Off Building Loan: Year 2026: | \$35,407.00 |
| April 2026: | \$ 7,180.00 |
| Last Week 4/26-5/2/26: | \$ 3,340.00 |
| Actual Amount on Building Loan: | \$91,010.00 |



WELCOME TO FREDERICKSBURG UMC

Sunday, May 3, 2026

8:15 & 11:15 AM

Are you new or visiting? We'd love to connect with you!
Please speak with an usher to receive a welcome bag!

Meet our Pastors

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