

(The minister baptizes the candidate with a threefold application of water, saying:)

Phillip Robert Shelton, into the death of Jesus I baptize you, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

(The newly baptized person receives the laying on of hands, symbolizing the pouring out of the Holy Spirit.)

Now through God's grace and the pouring out of the Holy Spirit, you have been brought into the covenant; therefore live, yet not you alone, but Christ live in you; and the life which you live now, live by faith in the Son of God, who loved you and gave his life for you.

(The minister pronounces a text of Scripture for the newly baptized adult.)

The Lord bless you, and keep you;  
The Lord make his face shine upon you, and be gracious unto you;  
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace;

(Choir:) **In the Name of Jesus. Amen.**

To the candidates for confirmation:

In the presence of God and this congregation, do you confirm the covenant into which you were baptized, relying on the Holy Spirit to strengthen and guide you into ever increasing maturity in your relationship with Christ and the church?

**I do.**

Let us pray:

Almighty God, you have received these persons into your covenant through baptism. You have provided for their growth, enlightened their minds with your truth, and enabled them to offer themselves to you. We ask that you accept the vows they have made today. Defend and strengthen them with your Holy Spirit, empower them for your service, and sustain them all the days of their lives.

**Amen.**

(The candidates for confirmation present themselves. The minister, laying hands upon the head of each, names the candidate, and pronounces a text of Scripture.)

Rachel Ann Allen  
Tyler Charles Brady  
Cali Renee Haynes  
Natalie Mae Logan

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(Confirmands Standing)

By affirming your baptismal covenant in public worship today, you have taken another step in your journey with God. You have entered into a new relationship with God and this congregation. We charge you in God's name always to remain faithful to Christ and the church, and to be open to the leading of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

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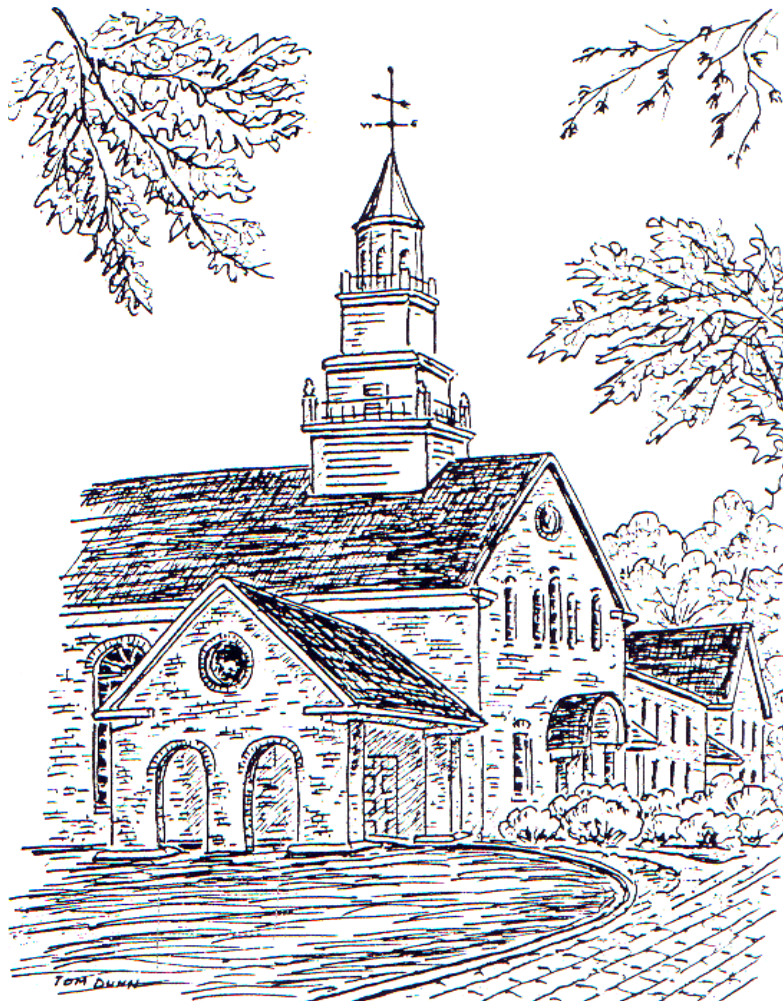
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# Friedland Moravian Church

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**November 15, 2020**  
**Worship 10:00 AM**

Our purpose is to make the Lord Jesus Christ a reality in the lives of people.



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## Order of Service

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

**Hymn** "Come, Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing"

**Liturgy** Liturgy for Baptism and Confirmation

**Scripture Reading** Psalm 90:1-12  
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

### Children's Message

**Handbell Anthem** "Give Thanks" arr. Susan E. Geschke

**Scripture Reading** Matthew 25:14-30

### Meditation

**Hymn** "We Give You But Your Own"

### Service for Holy Communion

### Benediction

### Postlude

**Watchword for the week:** So teach us, O God, to count our days that we may gain a wise heart. Psalm 90:12

**Mission Prayer Focus:** Pray for the Hoffmans in HIV/AIDS Ministry.

**Please place your offering in one of the designated areas before or after the service.**

The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the Glory of God  
and in loving memory of Clifton & Irene Sapp  
by Bob & Sandra Alphin

*At the request of the Elders, in order to preserve a reverent spirit of worship,  
please silence your cell phone, refrain from taking pictures,  
and do not bring food or drink into the sanctuary.*

## Liturgy for Baptism and Confirmation

(Standing)

In grace God called and chose the people of Israel and established with them a covenant: I will be your God and you will be my people. In that relationship they were to be freed from sin and become a blessing to all. Then God came to us in Jesus Christ and fulfilled that covenant for all people. Through Christ's life, death, and resurrection, God made for us a new covenant of grace.

**We come before you with joy, O God, to claim the promises of your covenant.**

Our Lord Jesus Christ instituted baptism as the visible means of entry into the new covenant. Baptism is a gift of God. In this sacrament, through grace and the power of the Holy Spirit we are united with Christ, are cleansed by his saving work, enter into the fellowship of the church, and are called to a life of faith and willing obedience.

Those of you baptized into Christ Jesus, how were you baptized?

**Into his death. We were buried with him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glorious power of God Almighty, we too might be raised to live a new life.**

(The minister addresses the candidates.)

As you present yourselves before God and this congregation, we call upon you to profess your faith.

Do you believe in God as your Creator and loving heavenly Father, in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord, and in the Holy Spirit as your Comforter and Sustainer, according to the Holy Scriptures?

**I do.**

Lord, make us one with all your children as we profess our faith, saying:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy Christian church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

(The minister addresses the candidates.)

Do you in this faith turn away from sin, evil, and selfishness in your thoughts, words, and actions; and do you intend to participate actively in Christ's church, serving God all the days of your life?

**I do.**

(The minister addresses the congregation.)

Do you receive and affirm these children of God as members of this congregation, and accept your obligation to love and nurture them in Christ?

**We do.**

(Sitting)

(Water may be poured into the font or bowl.)

We thank you, gracious God, for the gift of water, which you have created and given to us as a sign of life. We recall with gratitude how you led your people from slavery to freedom through the waters of the sea. We rejoice in the gift of the Holy Spirit at the baptism of your Son in the waters of the Jordan, and we praise you for opening to us the way of eternal life through his death and resurrection. Now send your Spirit upon Phillip Robert Shelton who receives the water of baptism today, so that he may become a living, growing, and active members of your church, rise to new life, be led and nourished by your word and sacraments, and share in your eternal blessings.

**Amen.**