

FROM OUR COUNCIL PRESIDENT

With the Fall Congregational meeting behind us, we are set on a “new” course for next year. I say “new” because each year presents us with new challenges and new opportunities to renew our faith and exhibit our Christian attitude towards others. To say that the past year-and-a-half has been difficult for the church is an understatement. But through those hard times, we have risen above and met those challenges head-on. And through all of that, we have been forced to discover new ways to worship, new ways to congregate, and new ways to accept others.

At the Congregational meeting, the members unanimously voted to pass a budget with an approximately \$15,000 deficit. We know that the deficit is mainly due to the need to replace the Air-Conditioning system that can cost around \$40,000. Without that expense, we would be well under budget.

Additionally, the council suggested to the congregation that all boards retain their current leadership and membership for the next year. This includes the council leadership as well. This was also passed unanimously.

The property board recommended that we sell the church bus. The bus only has around 3,500 miles on it and we expect that we can sell it for around \$30,000. There were several discussion points brought up around this topic, both for and against the sale of the bus. The majority of the members voted for the sale with only a couple against. Once the sale is complete, the council will decide where to put the money.

While we hope to be back in our church building soon, we also must take the responsibility to maintain a safe environment. We are continuously monitoring the Corona numbers and we hope to be back in church on October 18th.

I look forward to seeing everyone when we get back.

In Christ, Eric Bosaw

PLEASE WELCOME: Dennis Williams to the Cemetery Board



We plan to begin services in the church on October 18th. More details will be given during church services. Flocknotes, Facebook and our website will have information once it is decided.

Thank you all for understanding.

Don't forget to like us on FACEBOOK



JOIN US
SUNDAYS
@ 9 AM

www.friedens@friedensucc-troy.org



- 1 Karen Mollet
- 5 Gladys Skeens
Dennis Williams
Amy Schroeter
- 6 Jeff Estes
- 7 Anita Hoenig
Sue Kassing
Michael Schroeter
Rayne Smith
Monica Hunsdorf
- 8 Sheila Waggoner
- 11 Samuel Wilkins
- 13 Jill Schmitt
Allison Meyer
- 14 Bryan Andreas
Christopher Gebhart
- 17 James Galaske
Denise Willis
- 19 Annette Grady
- 20 Heidi Eichenseer
- 21 Rick Talbert
- 23 Keegan Dankenbring
- 24 Kenny Grotefendt
- 26 Randy Waggoner
Alex Hoppes
- 29 Gerald Schmitt
- 31 Reva Van Hoose



We are planning on having the Drive-in Services for the 1st week in October, **No service on October 11th** (Sausage Dinner). We have a tentative date of October 18th for in church worship. Watch Flocknotes and email for updates. We will ask everyone to practice safe social distancing and not to venture into other members' designated areas. We meet at **Tri-Township Park, PAVALION #9**.

SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 9am

SERVICE @ 10am

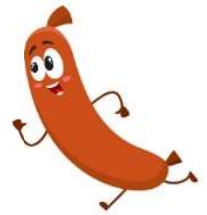
Dates to remember

Friedens UCC Sausage Dinner

October 11, 2020

11:00am - 5:30pm

DRIVE-THRU ONLY



DONATION DROP OFF

Begins Monday

October 12th

Friday

October 16, 2020

3:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Saturday

October 17, 2020

8:00 am to 1:00 pm

We still have a large stock of Scrip Cards. Please contact Sandy H or Monica to purchase Scrip Cards!!



The CHURCH Office will be closed for visitors until further notice.

Mail, voicemails & emails are checked daily.

Please leave a message if you need anything at all!

With the current epidemic we are asking everyone to limit the office to only members and staff who are working and need to use the office area &/or the equipment. We wish we could converse and catch up like before, but we need to have a plan to protect each of us. Thank you all for understanding and we cannot wait until it is safe to socialize.



FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR TIM

“The more things change the more they stay the same”

(Jean-Baptiste Alphonse Karr)

Several years ago, my children and I decided to go white water rafting on the Ocoee River in Cleveland, Tennessee with Class III and IV rapids. It was both exciting and terrifying as we jumped into a life raft with a trained guide, ready to head down the river at a high rate of speed with rocks periodically located in the middle and sides near the water’s banks. The guide instructed us that these rocks were both dangerous (as they could cause our raft to turn over if we struck them at the wrong angle) or the rocks could be our means of escape if we were to land in the water. We were to grab on and hold to the rocks until the guide was able to navigate the raft back to pick us up. It seemed on later reflection, that both the water and the rocks could provide for our well being or create danger depending on the circumstances. The water could represent the constant flow of changes in our lives that are inevitable, and the rocks could represent the constant values and beliefs that we want to hang on to providing stability and safety in our lives.

Fall is season of change. Our lives are full of change. Some changes are good and pleasant changes, while others are unwelcomed and even disruptive. God speaks throughout the Holy Scripture about stability and change! In Hebrews 13: 8, we hear the words: “Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever.” It is this understanding that God is unchangeable in his love and forgiveness, and in his faithfulness. He will always be there and will never abandon or leave us. Hebrews 10:23 also reminds us to: “Hold fast to the hope that we profess which is in Christ Jesus”. There are certain rocks that are the foundation of our faith that serve us well in changing times.

But Scripture also speaks of the importance for us to change. Jesus tells Nicodemus in John 3 that all must be born anew!” We see in the letter to the Romans, Paul remind us that: “We must be transformed or changed by the renewing of our minds (Romans 12:2) and in another letter to the people at Corinth that we must experience resurrection not only of our hearts and minds but in our physical bodies as well at the final resurrection....Our bodies will be changed from mortality to immortality in the twinkling of an eye (1 Corinthians 15: 52ff). And John reiterates this in Rev. 21: 5 when he writes about God, “Behold I am making all things new, for the former order of things has passed away.”

You and I know that much of change is about the process. This takes time, trust and faith but it is ongoing. Our challenge as people of faith is to navigate the important and necessary changes in our lives while also holding fast to the important values and faith we have in the One that matters, Jesus Christ. As we move into Fall, what is it **as a church, as a person of faith, as a country, as a world....**that we need to let go/get rid of.....and what do we need to cling to/hold on to/preserve?

May we navigate and discover this together as the Body of Christ and as the community of faith placed in Troy, Illinois at Friedens UCC!

Pastor Tim



Newsletter submissions are due on October 25th for the November CR.
You may e-mail them to: friedens@friedensucc-troy.org



NO SERVICE

October 11th Sausage Dinner



Attendance for September 2020:

Date	Sunday School	Worship
9/6		55
9/13	20	83
9/20	20	83
9/27		70

Deaths Shirley Ann Woolery (Joseph)

November 12, 1939 - September 13, 2020

*IF ANY INFORMATION LISTED IS INCORRECT OR MISSED, WE APOLOGIZE. PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE TO UPDATE OUR RECORDS.



An Hour with Pastor Tim



Pastor Tim will be organizing "An Hour with Pastor Tim" every Wednesday. This will be posted on Friedens Facebook. We are looking for volunteers! If you are interested in having an interview with Pastor Tim or know someone who would be the perfect candidate, please contact the office.

Such a nice way to get to know your fellow members. Please tune in on Facebook every Wednesday to see each week's featured member.



We have been using this for quite some time now and have had much success with informing members this way. We do not want you to miss out on important information we share with our congregation. Please sign up today.

Text the following: FriedensUCC To: 84576

Once you send that in, Flocknote will text you back a confirmation message AND another message with a link you'll need to click to complete the process.

If you have any issues, questions or concerns, please see Eric.

COMMUNION 1ST Sunday of each month!!

The 1st Sunday of each month is our Communion Sunday. We will have sealed juice & wafers for distribution.

MONTHLY MISSIONS

October -

Emmaus House

November & December

-Ministries Unlimited

2020	<u>Operating Fund Activity</u>	
	August 2020	YTD
Income	\$19,047.04	\$158,769.82
Expense	\$12,757.12	\$115,749.18
	\$6,289.92	\$43,020.64



2019	<u>Operating Fund Activity</u>	
	August 2019	YTD
Income	\$15,710.98	\$163,218.07
Expense	\$21,251.70	\$169,958.12
	-\$5540.72	-\$6740.05

Thank you to everyone for your continuation of donations!

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

October 4th Tri Township Park 9 a.m. Weather permitting

October 11th NO SUNDAY SCHOOL (sausage dinner)

October 18th Back to church! This is if the Corvid numbers for Madison county are 75 or below. If the numbers are high, we will wait for the numbers to drop to resume Sunday School indoors at Friedens.



Our plan is to follow the Triad District #2 guidelines. If schools are closed, we will not have Sunday School until the district resumes classes.

We will not be having an opening for Sunday School. All children are to go directly to their classrooms. Starting October 18th, Sunday School will be 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. It will work best if you arrive by 8:55 at the ramp entrance in the back of the church. This will be our drop off area. If you plan on staying at church while your child is in Sunday School, we ask that you still enter through the ramp entrance. We will be taking temperatures. If children are dropped off, they will be escorted to their classroom. Please be on time to pick your children up from their Sunday School classroom. Some of our teachers have other commitments for the Worship service so please be at your child's classroom by 10 a.m.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

EVERYONE will need to wear a mask, adults and children. If any of the below is an issue, please do not attend. These guidelines are what our school district is using. We will follow these guidelines as well to keep everyone safe.

a temperature of 100 or higher will be considered a reason for the child or adult not to attend Sunday school or worship.

Congestion or runny nose, shortness of breath, fatigue, body ache, headache, new loss of taste or smell, diarrhea, nausea or vomiting, sore throat are all reasons not to attend Sunday School or Worship.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at church!

Stephanie



- ✚ Would you be interested in leading a men's class?
- ✚ Would you be interested in leading a young adult class?

If you're interested in any of these positions, please contact Stephanie.

We are open to all ideas! If you have one let us know!

Come join a fun GREAT team!

Stephanie



DuBois Center

For more information
contact DuBois Center at
dcinfo@DuBoisCenter.org
or 618-787-2202.





The online registration system is now set up. Please contact the office if you can join in and represent Friedens UCC Troy on October 24th!!

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact the office or check out the Annual Meeting Registration page.

<https://iscucc.org/annual-meeting-registration/>

**Our
Church
Mission**

October



Emmaus

All donations given in
October will be matched



Remember our Shut-Ins

Highland Health Care Center (618) 654-2368

Dorothy Suter Highland Health Care #120 1450 26th Street Highland, IL 62249

Liberty Square (618) 667-8964

Adeline Burgess 204 Liberty Square, Apt. #22 Troy, IL 62294

Hitz Home (618) 488-2355

Mary Ann Ambuehl 201 Bell St. Alhambra, IL 62001

Eden Village (618) 288-5014

Geraldine Rock 200 South Station Road Apt #9225 Glen Carbon, IL 62034

Alhambra Care Center (618) 488-3565

Rosemary Rose 417 E Main St. Alhambra, IL 62001

Morningside of Troy

Francis Layfield Morningside of Troy #317 39 Dorothy Drive Troy, IL 62294

Elmwood Nursing & Rehab

Thelma Huston 152 Wilma Dr Rm# 206 Maryville, IL 62062

Liberty Village of Maryville(618) 288-3800

Sue Hoppes 6955 IL-162 Room#402 Maryville, IL 62062

Cards are available in the office. Contact Monica to set up a pickup time.

~ Memory Lane ~

St. John's Evangelical Church, Blackjack



Forever in our hearts



Shirley Ann Woolery nee Joseph, 80, of Highland, IL, passed away on September 13, 2020 at her home.

Shirley was a bank officer with Jefferson Bank and a member of Friedens United Church of Christ in Troy, IL. She liked music, played the organ and was a fan of the St. Louis Cardinals. Shirley found fulfillment in taking care and spending time with her family. Shirley was preceded in death by her parents, Arnold and Lucille (nee Huptmann) Joseph. Surviving are her husband, Stephen C. Woolery of Highland, IL; children, Sherri Gregson (Karen Kronk) of Troy, IL and Mark Gregson (Pete Ruiz) of San Francisco, CA;

step-children, Laura (Phillip) Daniels of Tampa, FL, Aimee Woolery (Jill Stewart) of Berwyn, IL, Elizabeth (Sean) Cook of Belleville, IL, and Charles (Faye) Woolery of Belleville, IL; siblings, Ardell (Janice) Joseph of Collinsville, IL and Nina (Dave) Brierly of O'Fallon, IL; and grandchildren, Gabriel Gregson, Ashley Daniels, Alexis Daniels, Graysen Stewart-Woolery, and Parker Stewart-Woolery.

Memorials may be made to SSM Health Hospice & Home Health Foundation ssmhealth.com/donate/hospice-home-health-foundation/donate-to-hospice-home-health-foundation and Leader Dogs for the Blind leaderdog.org/ways-to-give/giving-options/donate-in-honor-or-memory. Condolences may be extended to the family online at www.schildknechtfh.com. COVID-19 restrictions will be followed, masks required, and social distancing. Visitation was held on Friday, September 18, 2020 at Schildknecht Funeral Home, 301 S. Lincoln Ave., O'Fallon, IL 62269. Funeral services was held at on Friday, September 18, 2020 at Schildknecht Funeral Home with Rev. Tim Harrison officiating.



Thank you to my wonderful family for taking such good care of me after me knee surgery. I am truly blessed. Thank you to my church family for all of your prayers, concerns, beautiful cards, telephone calls and delicious food. Thanks again and God bless.
~ Yvonne Kamm

*I again wanted to express my sincere thanks for the surprising birthday card shower last Sunday. It was appreciated and made my day all the more special! Blessings to each one of you!
~ Pastor Tim*

Dear Friedens,

Thank you for your gift of \$290. Marion Medical Mission (MMM) will use 100% of your donation for the purpose that you have designated. MMM is different. It is different because we have come together as God’s people; because of what we do together. In 2019 almost 400,000 people in Malawi, Zambia, and Tanzania got a sustainable source of safe drinking water because of Marion Medical Mission’s Well Program. This year, 3,140 wells were built covering roughly 60,000 square miles. IMPOSSIBLE! Think about if 400,000 people got the message Christians in the United States shared the love of Jesus with them. It is a God thing....This is Holy Ground. MMM is the second commandment. A MMM well in an African village means the children no longer die from water borne diseases. It means healthier people who work longer in their fields producing more food meaning less starvation. Not just the year the well is built but the next year and the next year and the next year. A MMM well is one that utilizes the talents of the Africans. Subsistence farmers make the galvanized steel pumps, the PVC foot-valves and plungers, and build the wells. A MMM well is one the extreme rural poor know how to maintain and one they can afford to maintain. A MMM well built for an entire rural village cost just \$450. Exciting news, Marion Medical Mission received the prestigious Better Bureau TORCH Award for 2019 for celebration exceptional integrity, ethics and service! ‘Glory Be to God’ Tom Logan, President



Betty Cothran, a member of Troy United Methodist Church and director of our local food pantry for over 18 years, will be stepping back from some of her responsibilities over the next several months. **The Ministries Unlimited Board would love to connect with anyone who feels called to serve as a “co-director” or consider growing into a leadership role** overseeing the Christmas food & gift distribution which regularly ministers to over 500 people each year. Please join us in thanking God for Betty, for her transition this year, and for God to raise up the right leaders to see this ministry into the future. **For more information please contact Betty at 618-505-5053**

DO YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW NEED ASSISTANCE MORE THAN JUST FOOD:

Highland Area Christian Service Ministry is primarily a food pantry with other resources such as SNAP, LIHEAP, counseling, rent & utility assistance. They are based in Highland. Case Managers are available by telephone. If you have questions concerning SNAP (food stamps) and/or LIHEAP (energy assistance-pays towards your electric/propane bill), they can provide you with answers. Please call 654-9295 from 9 am until 12 pm (Tuesday will be 9:30 am - 12 pm) or message the page. The building is NOT open to the public, telephone calls only. Please call (618) 654-9295 and follow them on Facebook for most recent information about pantry times and hours.

Join us on Facebook or on YouTube for live videos and recordings of Sunday mornings at:



<https://www.facebook.com/Friedens-United-Church-of-Christ-354214570387/>



<https://www.youtube.com> *Type in **Friedens UCC-Troy** & pick correct date



Are you a small business owner? We would love to share your business and information with your fellow members! No business is too small, and we want to support our faith family. Please email the office with details to be featured in next month's newsletter!



Lyle and Brenda W. have Metro East Yard Dice for yard games like Yardzee/Farkle and Yowzer Yard Tower (big Jenga). We have a basic webpage at www.metroeastyarddice.com and also a Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/MetroEastYardDice/>.

We are also part of Maryville Farmer's Market. I'm not sure if many of the members know about the market but it's a great resource, especially during this time. They've been having the markets a little different because of everything going on but it's been working out well. Until everything is more "back to normal" the market will be a drive thru and it's being held at Maryville Village Hall building on Thursday evenings from 5-6. The easiest way to find out information about what vendors will be at the market during a given week and what products that will be available is to follow the market Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/MaryvilleILFarmersMarket/>.

They have then been posting an event each week that lists each vendor and what they have available. Orders are taken beforehand and paid for online. If you order something, you just drive up anytime between 5-6 pm on Thursday and pick up your order(s) from the vendor(s) without having to have contact with anyone or go into any stores for various meat or produce as well as other specialties. We've worked very hard the past couple of weeks to get a fairly smooth system going. ~ Lyle and Brenda W



Welcome to The Giving Tree, a gift, home decor and clothing boutique located on the downtown square in beautiful, historic Highland, Illinois.

Slowly expanding The Giving Tree's hours as conditions have guided...current business hours are inching back to original as follows:

Tuesday- Friday: 10:00-5:30; Saturday 10:00- 3:00. Or by appointment any other time.

Please know how much I depend and appreciate your business and I am willing to accommodate you outside of these current, temporary hours until I can operate full swing. As I said, I am slowly working back to my normal business day. I appreciate your understanding and patience. Your robust support has meant the world to me and I have been extremely bolstered by seeing so many of you already!

TGT is moving into 36 years servicing the Highland community and beyond. I grew up in this community and my heart is anchored here. I can't thank my loyal customers enough for supporting me throughout the years.

Hope to see you soon! Laurie Manwaring



Hey mom, what are we doing on October 11th?

Oh honey, we will be at Friedens Sausage Supper, helping serve our community!!



We NEED your help! Please contact Donna at 618-334-6110. We need Volunteers & Desserts!!

Friedens UCC Sausage Dinner



October 11, 2020

11:00am - 5:30pm

\$10.00 per Dinner

**Drive-Thru
Only**

**207 East Center Street
Troy, IL 62294**

**All dinners will cost \$10.00. If you have any questions,
please call, or email the church office**

618-667-6535

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Friedens UCC - Troy, IL



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Monica Hunsdorf	Secretary
Stephanie Williams	CE Director
Michael McVickar	Choir Director
Jim Galaske	Sound Operator
Eric Bosaw	Sound Operator
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Claudia Galaske	Screen Operator
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