



A note from Pastor Tim

Reflection and Celebration

As I come to the end of my first full time year of ministry at Friedens United Church of Christ, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on our year together! It has been a full year of grieving the loss of church members and their families, of transitions with staff, and changes in church leadership structure. We celebrated together with our Installation Service and a series of sermons on what it means to be a fruitful congregation! Thanks to the patience of some talented church members, I learned the techniques to cut pie and grill brats during our annual Sausage Supper event. We help organize an All-Saints community-wide service as we mourned those in the Troy community who had lost loved ones in the last two years from Covid 19 and other circumstances. After a wonderful evening of painting creches with family and friends, we later incorporated them into a special Hanging of the Greens Service to begin the Advent Season. In early December we invited people back for our Homecoming Sunday as well as to a family-oriented Santa Fest event with food and pets and Santa Claus. We finished the year with great participation by our church families in lighting candles for the Advent wreath and some wonderful Christmas music for Christmas Eve Service. In early 2022, our church participated in a series of Lenten Services with other UCC churches in the area. I invited the congregation to a time of sharing in two Front Porch Sessions as well. During Holy Week, we held a number of special services as we walked the Journey of Jesus' last days on earth. Easter Sunday, we celebrated a Sunrise service in the Cemetery and then came back to delicious food and a special morning worship with our Confirmand and the joy of the empty tomb! In May, we celebrated the ministry of Stephanie Williams with singing by the children, a sharing of special memories and pictures. In June, we began worshipping on Sundays in Tri-Township Park while the construction in the sanctuary commenced. (Deep breath 😊 !)

For me personally, this has been a year of much joy and excitement. I have enjoyed the opportunity to walk with this church family through the ebbs and flows of life. I know when I arrived that there were several things to address. But Danielle and I have so appreciated your kind words and actions of support of us in this time of transition. I really believe that we, as a church, are on the precipice of growth and a deepening of our faith formation. As we all go back into the church this fall, there will be new sights and sounds that greet us but I believe that there is a new spirit here as well! Thank you for your faith and trust in me and my ministry! I don't take this lightly! I hope you continue to pray for me, for Danielle, and for all our leadership as we seek to follow Christ together! I can't wait to see what God has in store for Friedens UCC in the future!

Your partner in Ministry!

Pastor Tim



- 2 Logan Willis
- 3 Stan Huston
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- 17 Allan Weder
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- Ed Maedge
- Mitchell Berkemeier
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- 22 Jim Bailey
- Kayden Crews
- 23 Jared Willis
- 25 Sherry Smith
- Phillip Smith
- 26 Jessica Wilkins
- Jennifer Leitschuh
- 28 Austin Hickam
- 29 Adeline Burgess
- John Lally



Sunday at Gazebo 10:00am August 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th

On the Calendar

Quilting Circle – 9:00am Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday.
(Reach out to Gladys Huston with questions)

TOPS – *Taking Off Pounds Sensibly* 9:00 am Every Monday

August 7 – Blessing of the Backpacks Sunday

August 10 – Last day for Summer Lunch Program

Monica out of Office 8/10-8/12

August 11 – 1st Day for Triad – Have a great year!!

August 14 – Blessing of the Animals Sunday 11am

Summer Concert – Celtica 11:30 am



August 15 – Lifeline Screening

August 17 – Cardinals Game 6:45 pm

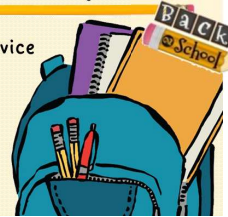
August 18 – LGBTQA+ Meeting 6:00 pm

**Blessing of the Backpacks
2022**

Sunday August 7th at 10:00 am service

We would like to invite all students and educators to bring your backpacks/school bags to Service in the Park (Gazebo) with you on Sunday August 7th to have them blessed by Pastor Tim Harrison and the congregation.

Come join us and send all our students & school staff back to school with prayers and blessings for a great new school year!



ATTENDANCE

Date	#	Live
7/6	62	17
7/10	80	12
7/17	63	9
7/24	50	9
7/31	66	9

WELCOME BACK TO SUNDAY SCHOOL !

S'MORE TIME WITH GOD



**SAVE THE DATE:
SEPT. 11, 2022**

GAMES ACTIVITIES
MUSIC SNACKS



Is your child, grandchild or family member entering 7th grade? It is time to get them signed up for Confirmation classes. Please contact Pastor Tim to make sure we have you set up to join us.



**August 7th
September 4th**

We will have sealed juice & wafers available for pick up for online worship or you may use any items you have on hand.

Try our online giving system

VANCO

FAITH

Please call the office if you have any questions!

Social Gathering
3rd Thursdays
6:00 pm
Fellowship Hall
Friedens UCC Troy, IL

All faiths welcomed!!

Friedens United Church of Christ
 207 E. Center St., Troy, IL, 62294
 618-667-6535
 friedens@friedensucc-troy.org

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

All animal lovers are invited to join us August 14th at the Gazebo (Tri-Township Park) for the Blessing of the Animals. Event will take place after worship at 11:00 am

If you cannot bring your pet, we encourage you to bring a picture. We ask that you have your pet on a leash or in a crate to assure everyone's safety. Please call the office if you have any questions.

September 1st – Finished Budget due
 September 18th – Council Budget Meeting
 *October 23rd – Congregational Meeting
 *After 10:00 am service

Please contact the office or Pastor Tim to schedule baptisms.

****CAN YOU HELP****

Hiring Positions:

- Nursery Attendant
- Director of Faith Formation

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Open Council Positions
- Church Newsletter

MISSIONS
August
Hitz, Hoyleton, and Emmaus

September—Rescue for Kids
 October—TBD—Women's Shelter
 November—Ministries Unlimited
 December—Retired Ministers

Plans are being made for our 150th anniversary. We are inviting those interested in helping with the history and archives to please contact the church office.

Women's Guild Fundraiser

See a Women's Guild member for Rada Cutlery & PECANS \$12/BAG
Many items in stock!!

Needs: * Saltine Crackers * Oyster Crackers * Canned Fruit
 * Paper Towels * Deodorant * monetary donations

Evening Pick-Up : Those seeking and needing assistance may pick up food and supplies Thursday evenings from 5 pm - 7 pm weekly.



WORSHIP IN THE PARK SERMON SERIES

Date	Sermon Theme	Scripture	Sermon Title
Aug. 7 th (Backpack Blessings)	"The Gift of Being Found"	Luke 15	LOST AND FOUND
Aug. 14 th (Animal Blessings)	"The Gift of Companionship"	Luke 24: 13-35	THE POWER OF SHARING



Join us on Facebook for live videos & recordings of Sunday Services

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



<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPSd5dwIb9TRs6c6NUc9fQg>



Meeting Minutes from Faith Formation on July 19, 2022 meeting:

Faith Formation meeting held July 19. It was decided to continue to use Go curriculum for Fall Sunday School classes. We will start the Fall session on Sept 11. with Rally Day. The theme is S'more time with God. We will be changing SS time to occur during church time. Children will meet in sanctuary with parents and will be dismissed to class after time with children (within the first 10-15 minutes) . We will have different activities for them to take part in during SS time based on age and abilities. We will be recruiting volunteer teachers to rotate so that they may attend church. Children will return to sanctuary to join parents at the end of service ~Sandy Zipprich

Youth group met on Friday, July 8th. The kids sorted and organized birthday supplies to create 38 birthday bags in total. We will set up a time to deliver these bags to Ministries Unlimited so families can enjoy a special treat on their special day. Afterwards, we went to Raging Rivers in Grafton, IL for some fun in the sun. ~ Jenny Ruger



Friedens Family Night at the Ballpark
Cardinals vs Rockies
August 17, 2022
6:45 pm

Limited tickets available.
 Call the office to reserve yours today!!

Concert Series at the Gazebo
 -OPEN TO THE PUBLIC-
 Join us for great music and new friendships at our Summer Concert Series in Tri-Township Park at 11:30 am.
Sunday, August 14th - Celtica
 Traditional Irish and Celtic music and includes Cheryl Gore Schaeffer, flutist.
 Questions? 618-667-6535 friedens@friedensucc-troy.org

	MAY 2022	YTD
Income	\$23,365.34	\$140,841.61
Expense	\$25,083.37	\$153,913.03
	-\$ 1,718.03	-\$ 13,071.42
	June 2021	YTD
Income	\$19,764.35	\$91,418.88
Expense	\$17,317.37	\$66,914.38
	\$ 2,446.98	\$24,504.50

TRIAD
Summer Lunch Program
 Monday - Friday from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm
PICK UP LOCATIONS:
 The Meadow Drive Park & Tri Township Library Pavilion at St. Jacob Elementary
 All locations will be serving all summer from June 3rd to August 10th
 Provided by Churches of Troy & St. Jacob, IL



Greetings all,
 Many of you have been asking about Tetyana (Tania) and what she has been up-to in the past several years. After arriving back in Ukraine from the U.S., Tania attended the National Linguistics University in Kyiv, studying primarily Chinese (and some other languages). In her junior year, she was awarded admission to the Confucius Institute in China, but was unable to attend in-person because of the Covid-19 pandemic. Despite the current war between Russia and Ukraine, Tetyana graduated from the university this past spring. She was then awarded a full scholarship to continue her studies in Taiwan. She left Ukraine about a month ago to go to Taiwan by-way-of Poland. However, before she could leave Poland, Taiwan restricted travel to their country because of Covid. She is currently in a hotel in Poland awaiting for tickets and permission to go to Taiwan, which should happen before the end of July. Tania's mother was also able to leave Ukraine, where she was a school administrator in their village (about the size of Marine). Just for your reference, a school administrator in Ukraine earns the equivalent of \$7000 - \$9000 per YEAR. Her mother has since gone to Slovakia, where she is working in what was described as a "labor job". They left their apartment in Ukraine, but do not know if it is, or will be there when they have the chance to return. Tania's grandparents also live in their village but contact with them is sparse and spotty.

We keep in contact with Tetyana as much as we can. We have sent her the money that was donated by some of our members and a few others. She has expressed her deepest thanks for helping her out. The hotel in Warsaw was only supposed to be for a couple of days, but it has now turned into a month. That cost, as well as food, etc. has eaten away at any money that she had saved.

Tania always tells us to say "Hello" to everyone at the church as she has fond memories of attending while she was here. Please keep her, her family, and the people of Ukraine in your prayers.

Thanks, Eric and Gwen

FAMILY PAINT NIGHT





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 10:00 am Worship 11:30am Council Meeting	1 9:00am Quilters Circle 9:00am TOPS - Taking of Pounds Sensibly	2	3 9:00am Quilters Circle	4	5 9:00am Quilters Circle	6
7 10:00am Blessing of the Backpacks 10:00 am Worship	8 Girl Scouts #959 9:00am Quilters Circle 9:00am TOPS - Taking of Pounds Sensibly	9	10 Last day of Summer Lunch Program 9:00am Quilters Circle	11 1st day for Triad Schools	12 9:00am Quilters Circle	13
14 10:00 am Worship 11:00am Blessing of the Animals 11:30am Concert at Gazebo - Celtica	15 Lifeline Screening 9:00am Quilters Circle 9:00am TOPS - Taking of Pounds Sensibly	16 5:30pm SU 109 Leader	17 9:00am Quilters Circle 6:45pm Cardinals Game	18 6:00pm LGBTQA Social	19 9:00am Quilters Circle	20
21 10:00 am Worship	22 9:00am Quilters Circle 9:00am TOPS - Taking of Pounds Sensibly	23 1:00pm Womens Guild Meeting	24 9:00am Quilters Circle	25	26 9:00am Quilters Circle	27
28 10:00 am Worship 11:30am Council Meeting 4:30pm Sheltered Reality Practice	29 9:00am Quilters Circle 9:00am TOPS - Taking of Pounds Sensibly 5:30pm Girl Scout Parent Info Night	30	31 9:00am Quilters Circle	1	2 9:00am Quilters Circle	3

Friedens **Women's Guild** met on **July 26th** at 1:00 p.m. We opened with the Lord's prayer. Birthdays for the month were Donna Bingham, Thelma Huston, and Stephanie Williams. Devotions was a brief game by various members. There was no new correspondence. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. The raffle tickets are in the process of being printed. Kitchen carts have been replaced which will be available for future funeral luncheons or activities. When used by others, please keep them clean and stored in their proper areas. Quilt projects are in the making for 2023 and 2024. Anyone interested in learning to help quilt check the days, times, and schedules. Newcomers are welcomed. Dates to sell raffle tickets locally are being organized by Sue Hanks and Diana Bauer. Tickets will be sold 6 for \$5.00 or \$1.00 each. Drawing will be held on November 5th at the church. We will have a beautiful quilt, oil painting, gift cards, baskets of all sorts. Not all items were listed on the tickets at time of the printing. Surprises yet to come!! Also discussed was the Harvest Fest September 24th from 10 a.m. to approximately 5 p.m. A cake walk is being planned by the youth. The raffle tickets will be sold also that day at a vendor table along with pecans. The VFW is also having a day at the park on October 8th. We are making plans for ticket sales that day also. More information to follow. Meeting closed at 3:00 p.m. Our next meeting will be August 23rd at 1:00 p.m.

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We will be at Friedens on Monday, August 15, 2022

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Mary Ann Ambuehl 201 Bell St. Alhambra, IL 62001

Eden Village (618) 288-5014

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Jacquelyn Estes 39 Dorothy Drive #309 Troy, IL 62294 618-505-0262

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Cedarhurst of Highland

Charlie and Maryann Gaultney 220 Field Crossing Dr Highland IL 62249 (618) 406-6988



October 2nd, 2022 from 11 am to 5 pm. Our Fall Festival is only possible because of the efforts of countless volunteers. They bake, promote, stitch, recruit, decorate, set up, take down, drive, lead, greet, direct, park, deliver, clean, serve and dedicate hours and hours to make it all happen. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact the DuBois Center office at 618-787-2202 or dcinfo@duboiscenter.org in August.



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~Laurie Manwaring~

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Newsletter

AUGUST

25

Deadline

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 on FB <https://www.facebook.com/MetroEastYardDice/>.

We are also part of Maryville Farmer's Market.

<https://www.facebook.com/MaryvilleILFarmersMarket/>.

~ Lyle and Brenda W





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Meet Our Staff

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TBA	Faith Formation Director
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Eric Bosaw	Sound/Video Operator
Jim Galaske	Sound Operator
Joe Smith	Video Operator
Kat Spears	Streaming Operator
Fred Keil	Screen Operator
Claudia Galaske	Screen Operator

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Claudia Galaske	Technology
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