



A note from Pastor Tim

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.... And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

(Colossians 3: 12-14,17)

Recently, I have been thinking a lot about forming good habits as I am trying to get in a good rhythm of walking and good diet to improve my health! Probably most of us could stand to develop a few more good habits and drop a few unhealthy ones. One article by Michelle Crouch suggests that Will Power alone is not enough. She offers these five tips: Start with a small and specific action, Pick a trigger for your new habit, Find the joy in your new habit, try "temptation bundling by pairing it with something you already enjoy, Substitute the good habit in place of the bad habit, Redesign your environment to encourage good habits and discourage bad ones, and finally, celebrate when you are able to stick with the new habits.

What about my faith habits? How do I strengthen my habits when it comes to being a disciple of Christ?

1. Get to know God through spending time reading a short passage from the Scripture, spend time reflecting on it and praying for understanding or discernment of it.
2. As you reflect be open to offering confession to God and asking for forgiveness.
3. Be confident that God does want to be in relationship with you.
4. Keep your focus on God and avoid distractions.
5. Know that following Christ is a way of life not an exact science.
6. Find a small group to be accountable to, that will encourage you in your faith walk.

This Fall, we will be offering several opportunities for strengthen your faith through Sunday School and small group offerings. Prayerfully consider getting involved in one of these and perhaps consider leading one as well!

Blessings as we travel the journey Together!

Rev. Tim Hanson



- 2 Kelly Dougherty
- 3 Kathy Bathon
- 4 Kurt Sachtleben
- 5 Lacey Cantu
- 8 Wendy Porter
- 12 Donna Bingham
Cami Talbert
- 16 Wanda Keil
- 17 Cindy Smith
- 18 Brandon Spears
Sherri Gregson
- 21 Kayla Molohan
- 22 Danielle Harrison
- 24 Karly Barker
Stephanie Williams
- 26 Abbie Jarvis
- 28 Brady Waggoner



Sunday at Gazebo 10:00am

July* 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, & 31st (August 7th & 14th)

On the Calendar

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

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

July 1 – July 31 - Sanctuary Stage Construction

July 4 – Independence Day – OFFICE CLOSED

July 13 – Family Craft Night 6:00 pm

July 17 – Holy Land Trip Meeting 3:00 pm

Sheltered Reality practice 5:00 pm

July 21 – LGBTQA Social 6:00pm

July 24 – Council Meeting 11:30 am

July 25 – Circuit Rider articles due

Girl Scouts Meeting 6:30 pm



August 7 – Blessing of the Backpacks Sunday

August 14 – Blessing of the Pets Sunday

August 15 – Lifeline Screening

August 17 – Cardinal Game 6:45 pm



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.

You're invited

HOLY LAND TRIP

January 6-16, 2023

Informational Meeting
July 17, 2022
3:00pm

FRIEDENS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
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July 10TH August 7th

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!



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>

From our Council President

We live in a time where there is no shortage of controversial issues in the headlines. Unless you live under a rock or in a cave on the outskirts of Troy, you have been exposed to many of these issues in our daily lives. Republicans' vs Democrats. Gay vs Straight. Cis vs Trans. Anti-abortion vs a woman's right to chose. And there are so many more. Where do you stand?

For some people, expressing their opinion on these issues can be risky business. If I like the current President, I must be against the things the past administration supported. If I support gay rights, I run the risk of alienating my friends who don't openly support that lifestyle. And, of course, the recent Supreme Court ruling overturning abortion rights has opened up a whole woman's rights issue we all thought was laid to rest many years ago.

Where do you stand? Wherever it is, left or right, conservative or liberal, or somewhere in between, I believe that our church should be a safe place to talk about how you feel without fear of reprisal. It's one thing to believe a certain way, but it's quite another thing to try and force your belief on others - to try and "change them" to come over to your side. I don't think that's what our church should be about. We advertise that we are open and accepting to different ideas, and we should demonstrate that in the way we behave towards each other. Please consider the opinions of others when voicing your own, and try and be gentle in your approach towards others and their opinions. The mass media spends enough time trying to get us all to change our opinions to align with the masses - our church shouldn't be one of the areas in our lives where we have to worry about that. To me, church should be about you and your relationship with God.

Joe Smith
Council President

ATTENDANCE			
Date	#	S.S	Live
6/5	53	na	15
6/12	68	na	13
6/19	66	na	19
6/26	66	na	na



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
July 3 rd	"The Gift of Courage"	<i>Joshua 1: 1-6</i>	<i>THE TORCH OF COURAGE</i>
July 10 th	"The Gift of Wonder"	<i>Psalms 8: 1-9</i>	<i>THE TRUE WOW FACTOR</i>
July 17 th	"The Gift of Vulnerability"	<i>Luke 5: 12-16</i>	<i>OPEN CONNECTIONS</i>
July 24 th	"The Gift of Incarnation"	<i>John 1: 14; Phil. 2: 5-7</i>	<i>THIS IS PERSONAL</i>
July 31 st	"The Gift of Encouragement"	<i>Colossians 3: 1-4</i>	<i>YOU RAISE ME UP</i>
Aug. 7 th (Backpack Blessings)	"The Gift of Being Found"	<i>Luke 15</i>	<i>LOST AND FOUND</i>
Aug. 14 th (Pet Blessings)	"The Gift of Companionship"	<i>Luke 24: 13-35</i>	<i>THE POWER OF SHARING</i>



We are looking for your feedback on our Sunday School times. Some questions we have are:

- ❖ *Would you be in favor of Worship beginning on Sundays at 10 am in the Sanctuary with everyone and then children Sunday School at 10:20 am or following Children's moment?*
- ❖ *Would you be willing to help with SS either occasionally or regularly?*

Please be on the lookout for a survey. An email went to all families on July 8th, 2022. If you do not receive one, please reach out to the office.

Family Craft Night
July 13, 2022
6:00pm – 8:00pm

Join us for a family fun evening on Wednesday, July 13, for another Family Craft Night! Craft of the evening is a lighthouse.

Please call 618-667-6535 or email friedens@friedensucc-troy.org with number of adults & children to reserve your spot!!

Event is FREE to all, but donations are appreciated to help cover materials. Snacks will be provided

Do you have any new or like new handkerchiefs?

If you don't have a use for them, the cemetery committee would like to have them. Accepting men and women handkerchiefs.

Please place in the basket outside the church office.

Thank you!

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!!

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

	MAY 2022	YTD
Income	\$32,809.77	\$116,776.27
Expense	\$28,574.94	\$119,644.34
	\$ 4,234.83	- \$ 2,868.07
	MAY 2021	YTD
Income	\$19,764.35	\$91,418.88
Expense	\$17,317.37	\$66,914.38
	\$ 2,446.98	\$ 24,504.50

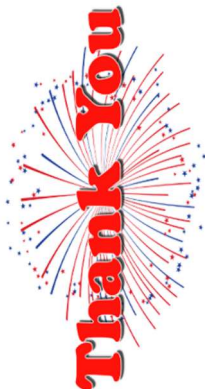
Social Gathering
3rd Thursdays
6:00 pm
Fellowship Hall
Friedens UCC Troy, IL

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All faiths welcomed!!

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Dear Friends of Thea Bowman,

We are writing to thank you for your gift of \$275.00. You make it possible for us to change the lives of those we serve. Your generosity directly benefits our students to provide scholarships, support our academic programs, and offer various activities for our families. **What we do is impossible without you!** Graduation for our class of 2022 was a joyous celebration. Our students will be attending Althoff Catholic High School, Christian Brothers College High School (two young men – a “first” for our Catholic school families), and St. Louis University High School. Students received scholarships and academic excellence awards. We are proud of all of their accomplishments – remarkable results! Check your email for our 2nd semester newsletter – **Connections** – coming soon. There will be an entire section devoted to our graduates, their awards, reflections, and “I Am From” poem. To receive a copy, go to our website at www.stbcs.com and subscribe to our “Join Our Email List.” On behalf of our dedicated staff, please accept our sincere appreciation in allowing us to provide a high-quality Catholic education for students and families in our community. Enjoy your summer! Abundant blessings. Roberta Trost, - Advancement

Dear Friedens UCC,

Thank you for generous gift of \$1450 for the Illinois South Conference for our DuBois 6.0 campaign as part of your May mission offering. DuBois is a special place, where thousands of campers have experienced God and creation of the past six decades. Some found their calling to ministry there. Others found summer after summer of fun and friendship. Think of the retreats, the worship, the secrets shared, and the children’s laughter. So much life has occurred under the rustling leaves at DuBois Center. As we look toward preparing for the next 60 years, your gift will help us improve our facilities, increase capacity, and ready ourselves for the future. Since its inception, the mission of DuBois Center has been to help the people of God grown together in faith, in respect for ourselves, others, and in care for creation. We are deeply committed to continuing to create a sacred space where all are welcome. Friedens UCC, we appreciate your faith and investment in DuBois Center, Thank you again for your tremendous support. If you would like to know more about the exciting programs and services of DuBois Center, please be sure to check us out at

<https://duboiscenter.org>

In deep gratitude,

Rev. Shana Johnson, Conference Minister Hayley Elliot, Acting Director of Outdoor Ministries

MISSIONS

July

Hitz, Hoyleton, and Emmaus

August—Hitz, Hoyleton, and Emmaus

September—Rescue for Kids

October—TBD—Women’s Shelter

November—Ministries Unlimited

December—Retired Ministers



SIGN UP FOR FLOCKNOTES

Text: **FriedensUCC**

To: **84576**

****CAN YOU HELP****

Hiring Positions:

- Nursery Attendant
- Director of Faith Formation

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Open Council Positions
- Church Newsletter
- Office Helpers
- All teams looking for helpers




**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, July 10 th	Paul Jarvis
Sunday, August 14 th	Celtica w/ Cheryl Shaffer


Questions? 618-667-6535 friedens@friedensucc-troy.org



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Book your appointment today!
 We will be at Friedens on Monday, August 15, 2022
 To register call toll free 1-888-653-6441, text the word
 "circle" to 797979 or online at <https://lisa.social/HS>



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



**Meeting Friedens Women's Guild
June 28, 2022**

Prayer Requests:
 Gladys – fell – arm, Pastor Tim – In hospital and released, Deb Brendel, Donna Bingham

Birthdays:
 Marilyn Wesselman June 30th, Diana Bauer June 29th

Devotions: Program on Depression

Business:

1. Dori Mutchek added on checking acct signature Womens UCC
2. Kitchen ordered 2 carts and need 1 more (per Donna Bingham)
3. \$248.06 for Quilters (Jo Ann Longhi donation) to be given directly to quilters via being kept in safe in office
4. Clock in kitchen (Donna B handling)
5. Change monthly meetings to 4th Tuesday of each month to 1:00 pm
6. Need kitchen restocked - Ziplock bags, Dessert plates, To-go containers, small step ladder to reach high places (needs sides on ladder for stability)
7. Kitchen refrigerator needs a deep cleaning along with kitchen
8. 21st year for Friedens Women's raffle. Raffle tickets are being printed, 25 items to be raffled off. (See Diana Bauer 618-401-7013) Will update when available.
9. Pecans are \$12.00 see a Guild member

New Dates and Times for Meetings:

July 26 th	1:00pm
Aug 23	1:00pm
Sept 27	1:00pm
Oct 25	1:00pm
Nov 22	1:00pm
Dec	TBD Christmas Family Dinner Auction (?)

Remember our Shut-Ins

Liberty Square

Adeline Burgess 204 Liberty Square, Apt. #22 Troy, IL 62294 (618) 667-8964

Hitz Home (618) 488-2355

Mary Ann Ambuehl 201 Bell St. Alhambra, IL 62001

Eden Village (618) 288-5014

Geraldine Rock 400 South Station Road Glen Carbon, IL 62034

Jim Bailey 400 South Station Road Glen Carbon, IL 62034


Morningside of Troy

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

Francis Layfield 39 Dorothy Drive #317 Troy, IL 62294

Cedarhurst of Highland

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



July 6-8	*Just You & Me (W-F) *Discovery (1-3) (W-F)	
July 10-15	M.A.D. (5-8) Splash! (5-8) Trail Mix (5-8)	Saddle 'Em Up (7-9) Outback (6-9)
July 17-22	Settler (3-5) *Just You & Me (S-T) *Discovery (1-3) (S-T)	Horsin' Around (5-7) Trekkin' It (5-8)
August 12-13	RAINBOW CAMPI!	RAINBOW CAMPI!

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Office Hours M-F 9a-2p dcinfo@DuBoisCenter.org




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~Laurie Manwaring~

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Newsletter

JULY

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



FRIEDENS

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Meet Our Staff

Rev. Tim Harrison	Pastor
Monica Hunsdorf	Administrative Assistant
Peter Coppens	Cemetery Sexton
TBA	Faith Formation Director
Evan Bosaw	Worship Coordinator
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

Standing Committees

Diana Bauer	Women's Guild President
Claudia Galaske	Technology
Donna Bingham	Food
Sean Smith	Staff Parish
TBA	History & Archives

CHURCH COUNCIL

Joe Smith	President
TBA	Vice-President
Eric Bosaw	Past- President
Kat Spears	Secretary
Fred Keil	Treasurer

Teams Chairs

Carolyn Catalano	Worship
Marla Brown	Mission & Community
Deb Brendel	Mission & Community
Georgia Wilkins	Faith Formation
Jennie Ruger	Faith Formation
Jim Galaske	Building & Grounds
Sherry Smith	Membership Care & Fellowship
Eric Bosaw	Church Growth & Evangelism
Jeff Estes	Stewardship & Finance



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