



December 3, 2023

# WELCOME

Welcome to Wabash Friends Church. We're glad you're here! Our purpose is partnering with God to see lives change, one relationship at a time. We are God's family. We are in process. We reach out in relationship. We care for our community. We have a heart for the nations.

## THIS WEEK AT FRIENDS CHURCH

### SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE:

8:30 AM - Traditional Service, 10:45 AM - Contemporary Service

9:45 AM - Children & Adult Sunday School

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday
6-8 PM: Roots Youth Group	6 PM-8 PM: Open Gym Basketball, Gym	8:30 AM: Senior Breakfast, Fried Egg 3:00 PM: Prayer Meeting	5:30 AM: NACMBS, Atrium

### NUMBERS LAST SUNDAY

General Giving \$9,877.37  
 YTD Income Less Exp. \$(28,895.10)

Total Worship Service Attendance: 363  
 1st: 146, 2nd: 174, Kids: 43, SS: 144

### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



Please join us **TONIGHT at 6:30 PM** for the Children's Christmas Program, "We Three Spies". We will have hot cocoa, cookies, and a wonderful program for you the children have been working very hard on for the last three months.



### STAFF SEARCH UPDATE

**Lead Pastor**—The search team has narrowed the field from nearly 20 viable candidates down to three. The team, along with the staff, will interview all three candidates this week. The team wishes to thank everyone for their continued prayers. Our God is on the move in this process!

### A SCRIP CHRISTMAS!

**NOW IS THE TIME TO PLAN YOUR GIFT BUYING.** Gift Cards are a popular gift for many. By purchasing a SCRIP gift card, you are not only completing your shopping list, you are giving towards the Kingdom work of the church. Without spending any extra money, you are helping the Mission Committee to provide funds toward Benevolence and mission trip scholarships.

Bring your list to the Scrip table, at the Mission Station, to take advantage of over 700 merchant gift cards. We do not have them all, but can order them so they will be available next Sunday. If you do not know now what you need, call Dan, 260-571-2464, by Monday morning to place your order. If there is no answer, leave your order with the recording and he will get back to you. Remove yourself from the hustle, bustle of the holidays and purchase SCRIP. There is a gift card for every need. Help with the church benevolence ministry.

Also, do not forget to shop locally. We do have a few local merchants you can help during the holidays with your SCRIP purchase: 50 East (\$20/\$10); Joy Christian Bookstore (\$10); Kitchens Plus (\$25/\$50); Wabash Hardware & Rental (\$20/\$50/\$100/\$250); Fried Egg (\$20); Harvey Hinklemeyers (\$25); Modoc's (\$5/\$10).

## NEWS & INFO



Roots youth group tonight from 6-8 PM. Come hang out and let's celebrate how God has been working in our lives!



### CAMP FUNDRAISER

Help us to fund sending more kids to camp by purchasing Wabash Friends Church Gear (apparel & accessories). These items would make GREAT Christmas gifts! Please visit our apparel store at:

[wabashfriends2023.itemorder.com](http://wabashfriends2023.itemorder.com)

Questions, please see Brock or call Heather Edwards in the church office.



The next Bridge gathering will be Wednesday, December 13, at 6:30 PM. Bridge is an opportunity for all students currently in grades 5-8 to come together, encounter Jesus, encourage one another, and have some fun!



The next Senior Breakfast will be **this Tuesday, December 5, 8:30 AM**, at The Fried Egg in Wabash. Games & fellowship time will follow at the home of Sandy Davis.



Be sure to check in your child each Sunday morning at the Faith Street check-in desk in the Atrium.

Join us for "Deck the Halls" **next Sunday, December 10, 1:30-3:30 PM**. Families with children PreK-6th grade will decorate gingerbread houses, play games, have a snack, and so much fun! Please RSVP to [mark@wabashfriends.org](mailto:mark@wabashfriends.org), or sign up at the Children's Ministry check-in desk.

**OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE:** We are looking to have someone who can teach the Preschool Sunday School class during even numbered months starting in December. Please see Mark Riner for more information.

Please see Mark Riner if you are interested in volunteering or have any questions or concerns regarding children's ministry.



Kids Hope is seeking individuals to spend time mentoring a student at Southwood Elementary one hour a week through the school year. If you desire to make an impact on a student's life and be a support for them, please contact Sheri Proffitt at [sheriproffitt@hotmail.com](mailto:sheriproffitt@hotmail.com).

### CHURCH LIBRARY UPDATES

Christmas books and newly donated books are now highlighted in the church library. Be sure to check out those selections just inside the library doors. We are also looking for your suggestions of new books to add to the library. Please contact Tami Lane or leave a note in the checkout basket so we can add those books to our wish list. Thank you!