

December 24, 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 - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday 7:00 PM: Christmas Eve Service	Monday Merry Christmas! Church Office CLOSED December 25- January 1	Tuesday 3:00 PM: Prayer Meeting 6 PM-8 PM: Open Gym Basketball, <i>Gym</i>	Thursday 5:30 AM: NACMBS, <i>Atrium</i> 6 PM-8 PM: Open Gym Basketball, <i>Gym</i>
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NUMBERS LAST SUNDAY

General Giving \$29,219.59

YTD Income Less Exp. \$(14,864.74)

Total Worship Service Attendance: 354

1st: 140, 2nd: 168, Kids: 46, SS: 136



STAFF SEARCH UPDATE

Lead Pastor—The Staff and Coordinating Committee have now met with both candidates. Please continue to pray for God's leading, timing, and heart as the process moves forward.

NEW CLASS: "THE OTHER HALF OF CHURCH"

Come learn more about how to create an emotionally healthy environment for the spiritual development of discipleship that is based on relationship with Jesus and one another and is also supported by the Biblical understanding of Hesed. Class is facilitated by Mike Scamihorn (mike.scamihorn@gmail.com). Class begins on Sunday, January 7, Rooms 113 A/B during the Sunday School hour.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR STAFF

If you would like to bless our staff this Christmas season, there will be two decorated boxes in the narthex for special Christmas gifts. Today is the last day to contribute towards these gifts. Thank you!

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED—DEC. 25-JAN. 1

The church office will be closed in observance of Christmas & New Year's December 25-January 1. If you have an urgent need, call (260) 563-8452, and leave a message. You can also send emails to info@wabashfriends.org. The office will resume normal hours on Tuesday, January 2.

A SCRIP CHRISTMAS!

Scrip Gift Cards are scam proof. No one can get access to the cards prior to you purchasing them. When ordered, they come directly to the church; your cards are safe!! No one can alter your card purchase.

Last minute gift buying? Check the Scrip supply to see if you can fill that final need for your gift buying.

Without any extra cost to you, extend your gift buying to expand the Mission Committee ministry.

NEWS & INFO



Roots youth group will not be meeting on Christmas Eve & New Year's Eve. Enjoy time with your families!



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

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



The next Bridge gathering will be Wednesday, January 10, 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!



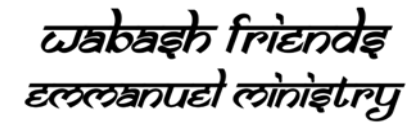
Kids Hope is seeking individuals to spend time mentoring a student at Southwood Elementary one hour a week through the school year. If you desire to make an impact on a student's life and be a support for them, please contact Sheri Proffitt at sheriproffitt@hotmail.com.



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

REMINDER: There is no PreK-6th grade children's programming this week during worship services. The nursery is available for infants & toddlers.

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



LETTERS FROM EMMANUEL HOSTEL

ATTENTION EMMANUEL HOSTEL CHILD SPONSORS!!! Stop by the table in the narthex to pick up your letter from your sponsored child.

SPONSOR A CHILD

Complete your Christmas shopping by sponsoring a child from the Wabash Friends Emmanuel Ministry. \$30 a month will give you a child that needs support for housing, meals, and education.

All you have to do is fill out the registration form at the Mission Station. Once you fill out the form, place it in the tray on the table. The sponsorship starts in January 2024. This is your opportunity to make an eternal difference in the life of a child. Brochures about the ministry is at the Mission Station. We ask that this commitment be above your regular giving and tithe to the church. We need 64 sponsors. It is important to register today, even if you sponsored a child last year. Check with the Mission Committee for any questions.