



November 5, 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	Wednesday	Thursday
6:00 PM: Roots Youth, Atrium	6:00-8:00 PM: Open Gym Basketball 6:30 PM: Christmas Play Rehearsal, Sanctuary	5:30 PM: Prayer Meeting	6:30 PM: Christmas Play Rehearsal, Sanctuary 6:30-8:00 PM: Bridge, Atrium	5:30 AM: NACMBS Atrium

### NUMBERS LAST SUNDAY

General Giving      \$13,785.30  
 YTD Income Less Exp.    \$(21,694.53)

Total Worship Service Attendance: 420  
 1st: N/A, 2nd: 420, Kids: N/A, SS: N/A

### STAFF SEARCH UPDATE

**Lead Pastor**—The search is officially open for Lead Pastor. The search team is receiving and reviewing resumes. John Trimble will be starting a new series this week entitled, "Trusting God in the Midst of Transition". Please continue to pray for the search process.

### COUNSELING CENTER CELEBRATION!

The Friends Counseling Center is in the final stages of their building project, and they want to take an opportunity to celebrate all God has done. The renovation has created space for ten therapeutic rooms, including two play therapy rooms. They also created space for their support team & administrative team to function more effectively. You are invited to celebrate the completion of their project at a ribbon-cutting ceremony on **Friday, November 17, at 1:00 PM.**

**Josiah**  
**white's**

### GIFTS FOR FOSTER CHILDREN

We are heading into the holidays with our ministry partner, Josiah White's, with tags for Christmas Gifts for Foster Children. The Christmas tree is set up in the narthex with the sign-up sheets for tags taken. Please be sure to document the tags you take, by number, with your name and phone number.

New this year are Family Visa \$25 Gift Cards. Also, \$25 Walmart Gift Cards are being requested for emergencies and are kept at the Josiah White's offices. They are used to purchase things like car seats and cribs during late night placements, etc. We encourage you to purchase all gifts through Scrip to continue to help our Missions Committee with our community benevolence program! All gift cards are highlighted in yellow and are towards the bottom of the tree.

Please have all gifts returned no later than Sunday, November 26, to the church office. They will be picked up by Josiah White's the following morning. Thank you all so much!

## NEWS & INFO



Thank you for praying for the youth and Brock (Youth Pastor) who are finishing up the weekend at Fall Impact this morning.

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 THIS Wednesday, November 8. Bridge is an opportunity for all students currently in grades 5-8 to come together, encounter Jesus, encourage one another, and have some fun!

Bridge students will have their annual Thanksgiving celebration on **Wednesday, November 15, at 6:30 PM.** They will NOT meet on the fourth Wednesday of the month for November.



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

Today is Mark Riner's first Sunday as our new Family/Children's Pastor. We are excited to have Mark on staff, and he's definitely enthusiastic about getting started. Please be sure to welcome the Riner family: Mark; his wife, Brittany; and kids, Maggie (6) & Calvin (4).

**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 or Liz Dyson for more information.

**Our next Family Worship Night** will be **Thursday, November 30, at 6:00 PM.** We will be launching two different Advent resources that evening to help your family usher in the season and learn more about the coming of Jesus, our Savior. See you there!

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

### HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP!

Our church custodian, John Ply, will be off work recovering from back surgery for the next 6-8 weeks. If you would be interested & available to help with some light cleaning & upkeep at the church during this interim period, please contact Susan Dawes, (260) 571-4577.