## THE VOICE

Official Newsletter of Friedens United Church of Christ



## **Upcoming Events**

Jan 2nd: Epiphany Sunday - Come and Get your

Star Word

Jan 9th: Baptism of Christ Sunday

Jan 16th: New Series begins - "Risky Business"

Jan 23rd: 11am Potluck lunch at church followed by a Play Day at Centralia Rec Center.

Jan 31st: ANNUAL MEETING This is an important meeting as we seriously look at 2022 budget.











If Jesus had lived in our day, the risk assessment folks would surely have rejected his application for life insurance. Time and again, he put himself in positions of risk — saying things that rubbed the rulers the wrong way, eating with people not fit for good company, and putting himself in harm's way as he rubbed elbows with the sick and unclean. It seems the message was that the reign of God requires a bit of risky business. Are we willing to take risks for love and justice? What price do we pay by playing it safe?



Our Annual Meeting will be held in-person on Sunday, January 30th immediately following worship. Annual reports will be available on Jan. 23rd.



Sign up now to join in on some time at the

## Centralia Recreation Complex on Sunday, January 23rd

We will begin with a **potluck lunch at church.**Meat will be provided, please bring a side to share.
Then we will travel to Rec Center for some fun activities. We hope you will come and watch or join in the activities. Bring friends and family and let's have some fun!

. Sign up at church or by sending an email, responding on FB or texting a pastor! Our email is office@irvingtonucc.com.

January 2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Choir practices at 9am before worship each week. Visit www.irvingtonucc.com webpage for news, online worship & online giving. Church number: (618) 918-7150 Email: office@irvingtonucc.com *Birthday_**Anniversary ***more information in newsletter						1 9-11am Food Pantry open  *David Beckmeyer ** Nick & Jennifer Luer
2 10am Worship with Star Words; Epiphany Sunday 11am SS for all ages and Confirmation	3	*Joyce Kottkamp	5 10am Prayer Shawl Ministry	6 Epiphany	7 *Lisa Lampe	8
9 10am Worship; Baptism of Christ 11am SS for all ages and Confirmation	10 9am Pantry delivery and shelf stock 1pm IGS Peace Camp Volunteers needed at noon 5pm Worship	11	12 10am Prayer Shawl Ministry	13	14	15
16 10am Worship: "Risky Business" series begins 11am-1pm Pantry open, we host 11am Confirmands leave for retreat immediately following worship.	Team rehearsal  17 Confirmands return from retreat. Time TBA.  5:30pm Council mtg and Budget planning	18	19 10am Prayer Shawl Ministry	20	21	*Melissa Hoh  22 9-11am Food Pantry open
23 10am Worship 11am Potluck at church and Playday at Centralia Rec Center	24	25	26 10am Prayer Shawl Ministry	27	*Bill Irwin	29 9-11am Food Pantry open
30 10 am Worship 11am Annual Meeting *Laney Kuhns	5:30pm Council reorganization mtg.					