

Dear Guest,

Welcome to the Church, the group of believers in Christ that gathers at this location.

Whatever the reason that brought you through our doors we are very happy you chose to be with us today. We are not perfect as individuals, but we are perfected in our love for each other and the love for God.

Although our affiliation is with the acapella Churches of Christ as an organization, our services include some instrumental music as well as the participation of women in prayer and different elements of our assembly time.

We observe the Lord's Supper every Sunday as the focal point of our gathering and also take a collection to support the church's work.

As a guest you are not expected to take part in any of these practices and we hope they will not create you any discomfort. We would love to talk to you about any of our practices. –
*Please see the other side of this flap.
Fill out and place in the Offering
Plate. Thank you!*

Troy Church of Christ
December 11th, 2022

Welcome & Prayer

Psalm 28:7

Psalm 16:5-11

Luke 2:8-11

Sussex Carol

Joy Candle

Psalm 98:4-9

Joy to the World

Kid's Time

Communion

Offering

Hark the Herald

Sermon

The Joy of the Lord

Pastoral Prayer

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Suggestions box in the lobby. Please help us by providing feedback.

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Joy

WHEN THEY SAW THE STAR,
THEY REJOICED EXCEEDINGLY
WITH GREAT JOY.

MATT 2:10



Building Hope through Jesus' Name

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Calendar of Events: - before attending please ALWAYS check against troychurch.net/calendar

DECEMBER

11th – Bible Classes – All Ages – 10:00AM – in person & Zoom

11th – Worship Service – 11:00AM – in person & Zoom

12th – Zoom Bible Reading – 7:15PM Old Testament on Zoom

13th – Bible Break 10AM-12PM @ Troy Church

14th – Family Time – 6:00PM @ Troy Church

14th – Prayer & Cards – 7:00PM – In person only

15th – Zoom Bible Reading – 7:15PM – Old Testament on Zoom

18th – Bible Classes – All Ages – 10:00AM – in person & on Zoom

18th – Worship Service – 11:00AM in person & on Zoom

- New items added to the calendar will appear in red font when first added

Minister's Corner

Shalom aleikhem! שְׁלוֹם עֲלֵיכֶם Peace be upon you!

Today we gather, on the third Sunday of Advent, to rejoice as we light the JOY candle and explore the many dimensions of the meaning of Christmas. What is JOY? Why is JOY associated with Christmas, with the arrival in human history of the baby from Bethlehem? In truth, JOY is associated with the arrival of most babies in this world. It is a most uncommon and indescribable kind of JOY. I remember holding Isabella in my hands right as she arrived in this world, and I was looking on the face on this little girl who through cloudy new eyes was looking at me as she was listening to my voice, and I remember clearly that JOY. It was like nothing I've ever felt before. It was all consuming and everything else in life faded away for that moment. It wasn't the "I'm a father!" kind of JOY. It was something from deep within at the realization, at the recognition of my own self in her. Do you recognize God in you?

This Wednesday – December 14th – Family Time & Question in the Box

On Wednesday, we will meet in person for our Family Time at 6:00PM for those of you who want to bring their meal and eat it in the company of other brothers and sisters. This is our weekly fellowship meal.

From 7PM, we will take a look at the question: *“Illegal immigration may not be good for a sovereign nation but as Christians what should our attitudes be towards recent “open border crisis?”*

Birthdays this week: Ron Palmer (14th); Pat Oja (15th)

Zoom Bible Reading – Monday & Thursday - 7:15PM-7:45PM

Please join us as we read through the 2 Samuel in the Old Testament. This week we will read on Monday and on Thursday as per the usual schedule.

Christmas Day & New Year's Day – 11AM

We will meet together on Sunday, December 25, and New Year's Day, January 1, at 11:00am. We will NOT have Sunday classes on either of these days.

Offering

This morning you can make your offering in the plate at the back of the auditorium, or you can as always have the option to make your offering online at <https://troychurch.net/give>

...If neither one of these options are suitable, please send a check to Lisa Jones. Her address is in the directory. Thank you.

We bring our requests to you O Lord:

For those who have suffered loss: Oja & Pryludko Families, Wright Family; Clary Family;

For those healing: Kerry Appolson; Fred & Barb Oja, Linda Palmer, Pat Zurlinden, Landon Oja.

...***For the people of Ukraine***

“When our lives are filled with peace, faith and joy, people will want to know what we have.” – David Jeremiah

Please help us by filling this card

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

I would like to know more about:

I would like prayers for:

Yousef Nadarkhani, John Cao,
Wang Yi (imprisoned for their
faith)

I would like prayers for an unspoken request – ☐

I need help:

- ☐ food ☐ clothing
- ☐ shelter ☐ medication
- ☐ counseling
- ☐ other

Comments:
