November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021

# 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.

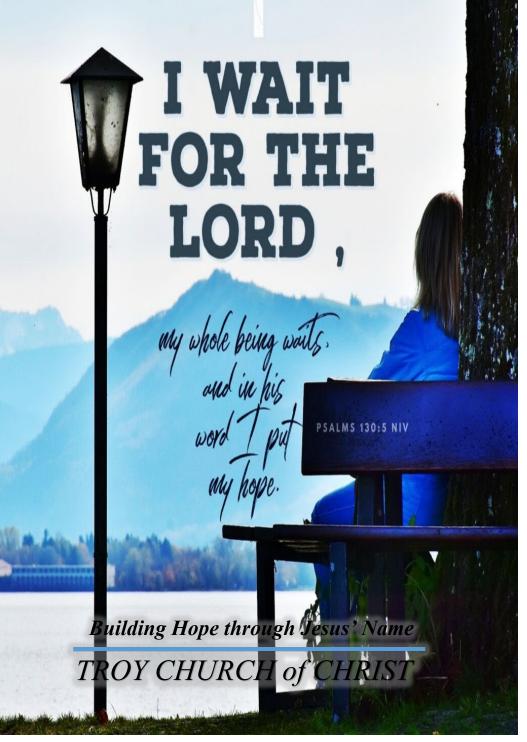
As a guest you are not expected to take part in any of these practices and we hope they will not create you any discomfort. We would love to talk to you about any of our practices. – *Please see the other side of this flap. Fill out and place in the Offering Plate. Thank you!*  *Troy Church of Christ* November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Welcome & Prayer Psalm 27:11-14 I Will Wait for You Only a Holy God Kids' Time Psalm 130:5 We Shall Assemble Communion Offering It is Well with My Soul Bible Message How Deep the Father's Love **Pastoral Prayer** 

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



# TROY CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

# NOVEMBER

- 14<sup>th</sup> Bible Classes All Ages 10:00AM in person & on Zoom
- 14<sup>th</sup> Worship Service 11:00AM in person & on Zoom
- 16<sup>th</sup> Bible Break 10:00AM 11:30AM @ the building & Zoom
- 17<sup>th</sup> Family Time 6:00PM @ Troy Church
- 17<sup>th</sup> Class with Caleb on Suffering 7:00PM in person & Zoom
- 21<sup>st</sup> Bible Classes All Ages 10:00AM in person & on Zoom
- 21<sup>st</sup> 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! שָׁלום עֵלִיכָם Peace be upon you!

One of the greatest challenges of a believer is not the believing part in itself but the relationship. I know many followers of Jesus who have no issue believing or confessing Jesus as Lord, but yet their relationship with Him is no closer today than the day they were baptized. As the only way to be renewed is through the relationship, I believe it to be a continuous struggle for those whose relationship with Christ doesn't reach new depths weekly, to stay renewed in mind and sharp in their focus to worship. Have you ever been bored at church? Or, with the church, even the worship service? This is what I found in my life to be a symptom pointing to a stagnation in my relationship with Christ, because no matter what service I am in and how uplifting or not uplifting, engaging or not engaging it is, when my relationship with Christ is right, while in service I can't stop talking to Him in my mind and thinking things, things that I believe are Spirit led as they heal, encourage and strengthen my spirit. How is your relationship with Christ today? Check your focus during the worship service and see what you find out. God's peace to you!

### This Wednesday – November 17<sup>th</sup> – Family Time & Bible Study

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 continue the new study on the subject of suffering lead by Caleb Simmons. Please join us in person and on Zoom for this insightful study.

#### Leadership nominations

Thank you once again to you all for your patience and support during this process as we seek God's guidance in selecting new shepherds for our congregation. As I mentioned last week, 12 men have been nominated ton one degree of another and that truly feels me with joy and hope. These men were: Jon Balun, Frank Birdwell, Gary Flatt, Manu Florescu, Dick Martin, Kyle McCauley, Pat Oja, Foy Palmer, Ron Palmer, Harish Sampath, Caleb Simmons and Charles Tomes. The two brothers nominated in majority by our congregation to be our shepherds are Pat Oja and Frank Birdwell who have been informed of their nomination and who will provide a response to us today. Please join me in praying for these brothers and their families as they consider the call to this ministry.

# **Offering**

This morning you can make your offering online at <u>https://troychurch.net/give</u>

...Or, by sending a check to Lisa Jones. Thank you.

# We bring our requests to you O Lord:

For those who have suffered loss: Lora Price, Nancy Schroeder, Mary Alice Cowie, Alanda Slusser, Dennis Setter, Karl Randall

*For those healing:* Fred Oja, Barb Oja, Lauren Birdwell, Linda Palmer, Roxy Morrice, Kerrie Birdwell, Dorel Burtoiu (Manu's Uncle), Margie Zurlinden, Diane Flatt, Fran Birdwell, Joanna Diehl, Kathy Vickers,

# Afghan refugees

Thank you for covering me in prayers during this trip. From the safety on the road to the success of the mission, I felt you all with me and I am grateful to God for His mercy and grace in using me in this ministry this past week. - Manu

*"The Christian does not think God will love us because we are good, but that God will make us good because He loves us." –* C.S. Lewis

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