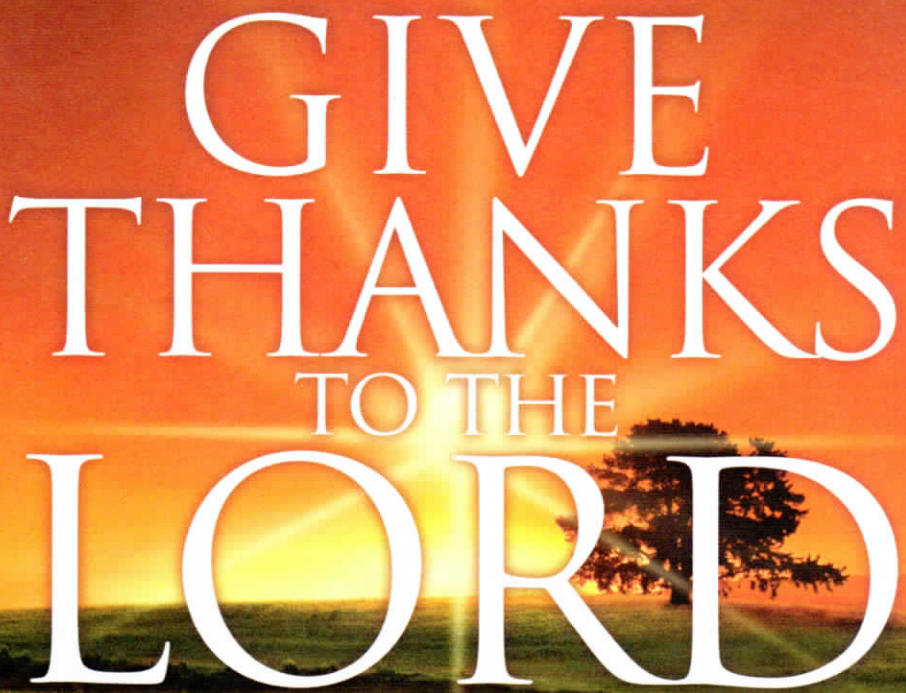


November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019

A sunset over a field of wheat with a tree silhouette. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm glow over the scene. The wheat in the foreground is golden and slightly out of focus, while the tree in the background is silhouetted against the bright sky.

# GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD

*Building Hope through Jesus' Name*

---

*TROY CHURCH of CHRIST*

# TROY CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Minister:** Manuel Florescu – (586) 201-9552  
[manu@troychurch.net](mailto:manu@troychurch.net)

**Elder:** Keith Price – (248) 918-9942

**Deacon:** Patrick Oja – (248) 255-2139

**Treasurer:** Lisa Jones – (248) 703-7130

**Secretary – Facility Coordinator:** Lauren Birdwell

(586) 883-7675 – [lbirdwell60@gmail.com](mailto:lbirdwell60@gmail.com)

***Calendar of Events: - before attending please ALWAYS check against [troychurch.net/calendar](http://troychurch.net/calendar)***

## NOVEMBER

19<sup>th</sup> – Bible Break Ladies Study -9:30AM @ the Church Building

20<sup>th</sup> – POTLUCK – 6:00PM @ the Church Building

20<sup>th</sup> – Peak of the Week – 7:00PM @ the Church Building

22<sup>nd</sup> – Family Movie Night – 7:00PM @ the Church Building

24<sup>th</sup> – Town Hall Meeting 12:30 @ the Church Building

27<sup>th</sup> – No Wednesday Church Meeting – Happy Thanksgiving

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

## ***Minister's Corner***

Good morning and thank you for being here today. This is the day for centuries, millennia really, chosen by Jesus' followers, His disciples, to celebrate His victory over death and our enemy. The things we will be doing here today are in the spirit of the bewildered feelings with which the Apostles beheld Jesus' folded clothes in the tomb found empty on Sunday morning. From the gloom of the previous days as they watched Jesus betrayed, beaten, tortured, humiliated and eventually executed on the cross to the wonder of the empty tomb, to the amazement of Jesus, in flesh, walking in a locked room, to the joy of the Gospel, we pray, we sing, we dedicate and re-dedicate ourselves to God as we pursue Jesus even closer, for He is the "*founder and perfecter of our faith.*" (Hebrews 12:2)

Today is not an isolated event but one more link added to the unbroken chain of the history of Christ's Church, His Bride, on earth. Let us approach Him with thanksgiving, especially at this national thanksgiving time, and let us receive His grace for the week ahead.

***This Wednesday – November 20<sup>th</sup> – POTLUCK & Peak of the Week***

This Wednesday we will meet at 6:00PM for our monthly birthdays and anniversaries **POTLUCK** celebration. Please come celebrate with us and bring a dish to share.

From 7:00PM we will continue our viewing of The Chosen.

<https://studios.vidangel.com/the-chosen>

**November Birthdays:** Gene Cowie (6<sup>th</sup>); Pamela McCauley (6<sup>th</sup>); Keith Price (7<sup>th</sup>); Don Haefner (24<sup>th</sup>); Shana Parent (26<sup>th</sup>)

**November Anniversaries:** Frank & Fran Birdwell (7<sup>th</sup>); Gary & Diane Flatt (21<sup>st</sup>); Dale & Nancy Ahern (24<sup>th</sup>)

***Family Movie Night – this Friday from 7:00PM***

This month we will be watching Letters to God. Letters to God is a 2010 Christian drama film directed by David Nixon and starring Robyn Lively, Jeffrey Johnson, Tanner Maguire, Michael Bolten and Bailee Madison. The story was written by Patrick Doughtie about his son Tyler. The story took place in Nashville, Tennessee, but the movie was filmed in the Orlando, Florida area. Letters to God is based on the true story.

***Special Contribution for Staff/Missionaries:***

For many years, we have had a special offering at this time of year to thank those that serve all year. This year, the contribution will be taken up on Sunday, Dec. 8.

Please plan for this special offering.

***Area Wide Worship – Parkside Church of Christ – November 24<sup>th</sup> – 6PM***

You and your congregations are all invited to join us at Parkside for our annual **Area-Wide Thanksgiving Worship** service on **Sunday, November 24 @6pm**. As many of you know, this evening is a special opportunity to gather together people from a variety of local churches to give thanks to God and to celebrate the common identity we share in Christ. I hope you can join us!

***Town Hall Meeting***

Following next weeks worship service we will hold a brief Town Hall Meeting, beginning at 12:30. This is a follow up to our last Town Hall.

***Assembly Leaders for November***

***Greeters:*** Luci

***Welcome:*** Lora

***Communion:*** Kyle

***Children's Ministry - Wiggle Room recommended ages: 5 and under***

***TODAY*** – Lauren

November 24<sup>th</sup> - Lora

**Please help us by filling this card**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**I would like to know more about:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**I would like prayers for:**

**Ebrahim Firouzi, John Cao,**

**Bakhrom Kholmatov**

***(imprisoned for their faith)***

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**I would like prayers for an unspoken request –**

**I need help:**

- food     clothing
- shelter     medication
- counseling
- other

***Comments:***

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## 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 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019

### Welcome & Prayer

Deuteronomy 6:4-5  
Hear, O Israel

Luke 1:46-49  
Magnificat  
Breath of Heaven  
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Isaiah 9:6

To Us a Child of Hope Is Born

### Communion Offering

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Bible Message

### Pastoral Prayer

Luke 2:28-32

### CONTACT:

Phone: (248) 689-4212

Address: 800 Trombley Road, Troy, MI. 48083

Web Site Address: <http://www.troychurch.net>

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