

December 1st, 2019

GLORY
TO
GOD
IN THE HIGHEST

Luke 2:14

Building Hope through Jesus' Name

TROY CHURCH of CHRIST

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

DECEMBER

3rd – Bible Break Ladies Study -9:30AM @ the Church Building

4th – Family Time – 6:00PM @ the Church Building

4th – Peak of the Week – 7:00PM @ the Church Building

15th – Men's Breakfast – 8:30AM @ the Church Building

18th – POTLUCK – 6:00PM @ the Church Building

18th – Family Movie Night @ the Church Building

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

Minister's Corner

Good morning and as we've gotten accustomed, as it is the first Sunday of the new month, allow me to wish you «Καλό μήνα» (Kalo Mina), which literally means «good month». I pray that this December will be your best yet. As we start the season of Advent today, may your mind and heart fully grasp the rich meaning of the season and may your joy be made complete by the message God's love expressed in the coming of our Savior.

Today, as we light the first Advent candle, we will focus on the theme of FAITH. Without faith, all the other candles of advent, all the other events of the advent, become meaningless. The writer of Hebrew went even as far as to state that “...without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him.” (Hebrews 11:6). Without FAITH it is impossible to please God... and what is this faith comprised of? What is it that our hearts must express in faith to Him? The same verse gives us the clues,... *that He EXISTS and that He REWARDS those who earnestly seek Him...* May we, at this Christmas season, be found FAITHFUL!

This Wednesday – December 4th – Family Time & Chosen Movie

This Wednesday from 6PM come and join us for dinner. A few of us bring our own dinner and eat it together with each other as a Family Dinner of sorts, talking about life, faith and whatever topic springs up. Bring your own take out dinner and share this time with us.

From 7PM we will continue to watch the Christian TV series Chosen which tries to fill in some of the blanks in the Bible with creativity and yet tries to stay true to the Biblical meaning.

Birthdays this week: Jeremy Parent (5th)

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, next Sunday.

Please plan for this special offering.

Potluck – December Birthdays & Anniversaries & Family Movie Night

In December we will have the Family Movie night on the same evening as the Potluck and December Birthdays & Anniversaries celebrations. We will first meet for the Potluck at 6PM on the 18th and then we will watch a movie. The movie for December will be a Christmas themed movie.

Town Hall

Last Sunday I handed out some questions for you to fill out. I pray that you will sincerely dedicate yourself to this process and prayerfully help us as we strive to serve God with purpose. Please take this month to consider your answers. Papers are due back January 5th, 2020.

Small Groups

As mentioned during my series on true discipleship I would like us to start a Small Group ministry at Troy Church that brings us together in smaller groups, better equipped and prepared to support one another as we train in our Christian walk. The first step is to identify those who desire to be group leaders. I would like us to know if you would like to be a Small Group leader. Please consider this ministry prayerfully and let me know by December 15th if you would be willing to serve as a Small Group Leader.

Assembly Leaders for December

Greeters: Keith

Welcome: Gary

Communion: Manu, Jon, Pat, Keith

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

TODAY – Lauren

December 8th – Shana

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!*

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Welcome & Prayer

Faithful Love

Thomas' Song

I Know Whom I Have Believed

Living By Faith

Bible Message

Communion

Offering

Pastoral Prayer

Trust In You

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