## 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 being perfected through Jesus Christ, our Savior, 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 videos 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 work of the church.

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 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

Welcome & Prayer

The Hope of Christmas

Lighting the Advent Candle - HOPE

Romans 15:13

My Only Hope Is You

In the Name of the Lord - #247

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less – #538

Kids' Time

Communion

O, How He Loves You and Me - #228

Offering

Special Offering (Missionaries & Ministers)

(5 & Under Worship Dismissal)

Sermon

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 trovchurch.net/calendar

#### DECEMBER

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Bible Class 10:00AM in person & Zoom
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Worship Service 11:00AM in person & Zoom
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Lunch & Fellowship @ the building 12:30PM
- 4<sup>th</sup> Online Bible Reading Zoom 7:15PM 7:45PM
- 5<sup>th</sup> Bible Break Ladies Bible Study building/Zoom 10:00AM
- 6<sup>th</sup> Family Time 6:00PM @ Troy Church
- 6<sup>th</sup> Christmas Experience 7:00PM In person @ Troy Church
- 7<sup>th</sup> Online Bible Reading Zoom 7:15PM 7:45PM
- 10<sup>th</sup> Bible Class 10:00AM in person & Zoom
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- New items added to the calendar will appear in red font when first added

#### Minister's Corner

Shalom aleikhem! שֵלוֹם עֵלֵיכֶם Peace be upon you!

Good morning and a blessed NEW MONTH to you as we start this last month of 2023. Today we also start our Advent series as we look forward to celebrating our Lord's birthday. Sunday after Sunday as we gather to partake in the fellowship of the communion of our Lord, the celebration of the Lord's Supper, we proclaim the Lord's death and resurrection to the world. It is at this time however when we gather to celebrate His birth, this mystery of God become man, Immanuel, God with us,... paving the path for yet another mystery, God in us. Perhaps it is why Christmas is so enchanted with lights and sounds, and joy, and cheer because there is one certainty that we learn through all these mysteries: GOD LOVES US! And that fact gives birth to our HOPE that in the end, we will enjoy eternity in His presence. Hallelujah! Amin!

### This Wednesday – December 6<sup>th</sup> – Family Time & Christmas Experience

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 bi-weekly fellowship meal.

From 7PM, We will continue the series called "The Christmas Experience" from Kyle Idleman.

**Birthdays this week:** Jeremy Parent (5<sup>th</sup>);

#### Online Bible Reading – Monday & Thursday from 7:15PM to 7:45PM

We are currently reading through Ecclesiastes. Please join us for this encouraging practice of the 1<sup>st</sup> century church on Mondays & Thursdays. 30 minutes each time. Use the same link as Sunday Zoom.

#### World Vision Christmas Bake Sale – NEXT SUNDAY

We will be having a bake sale to benefit World Vision Christmas donation, next Sunday after the services (December 10<sup>th</sup>). Our kids will help bake and sell sweet goodies. Please come with a sweet tooth and a giving heart to help make a joyful Christmas for those in need! May they also know the joy of Christ's coming through our generous contribution.

#### **Offering**

This morning besides the offering plate, you can as always have the option to make your contribution 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, Clary Family; Timmy Price's Family; Bruce Baker

For those healing: Diane Flatt; Fran Birdwell, Kerry Appolson, Linda Palmer, Pat Zurlinden, Landon Oja

- ... For healthy pregnancies & babies: Leslie Florescu.
- ... For the people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel & Palestine

The coming of the King to live with us in our earthly tent gives birth to our hope that one day we will dwell with the King in His palace. Manu Florescu

# Please help us by filling this card Name: Address: Phone: E-mail: I would like to know more about: I would like prayers for: Haile Nayzgi, John Cao, Wang Yi (imprisoned for their faith) I would like prayers for an unspoken request − □ I need help: □ food □ clothing □ shelter □ medication

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