

Troy United Methodist Church

Heartbeat

August 2019

Bringing our BEST to the Community!

TROY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship, Sunday Classes & Offices

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Youth Minister: Joey Gresham

Children's & Cross Generational Ministry: Christin Ivey

Nursery Coordinator: Destany Oliver

Building Superintendent: Kirby Bush

Custodian: Edward Mendoza

Women's Ministry: ShaShawna Bush

JOY Senior Ministries: Cindy Havard

Lay Leader: Don Havard

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

8:30 am - Contemporary Worship

11 am - Traditional Worship

LYFE Groups 9:45 am

Nursery: 0-2 Years

Children's Classes: 3-4 year olds

Kindergarten & 1st Grade

2nd & 3rd Grades

4th & 5th Grades

Youth Class: 6th-12th Grades

Adult Classes: 4 Classes offered

YOUTH on Sunday Nights

United Methodist Youth Fellowship at 5 pm

Pastor's Perspective

Moving and change is always a stressful time for just about everyone involved. Even if things are changing for the better, it's stressful. The other night at VBS we heard a lesson for the kids that "When things change, God is good!" Being honest with everyone, this adult needed to hear that lesson and take it to heart. We heard how the Israelites experienced great change as they fled their homes, shops, gardens, and "comfortable" lives in Egypt for a life of freedom but also uncertainty and struggle in the wilderness. In the midst of my family's move to Troy and the great changes we've experienced over the last month, I was comforted as I shouted, "GOD IS GOOD!" along with the kids at VBS when prompted by the phrase, "When things change."

I've seen God show up in the midst of all this change and uncertainty that I and my family have experienced over the last month. Predominantly, I've seen the LORD through you, the people of Troy UMC! It is difficult, if not impossible to put into words how much we've appreciated the wonderfully warm welcome that we've received since coming here. From the stack of prayers, to all the help unloading, all the food delivered during our first week, to the cookies and treats, the words of welcome, and even the name tags on Sunday; we've felt blessed and felt the presence of Jesus coming through all of you during this time of change for my family. Like I said, it's almost impossible to adequately express just how much y'all have blessed us during the past month. From Mandi, myself, Ellie, and Josiah, please accept our heartfelt thanks. We hope to be working alongside all of you for the glory of our Lord, Jesus for many years to come, and can't wait to see all the ways His goodness appears during that time!

David Ray

Ministry Corner



Women's Retreat

Our Women's Retreat is on September 21st from 8 am until 4 pm. The retreat is open to all women ages 16 and up. Our theme this year is Birds of a Feather: Thrive Together. We will be spending the morning talking about Biblical friendship while diving deep into the story of Naomi and Ruth. The afternoon will be spent in different breakout sessions; some just for fun, some about growing closer to God, and some about growing closer to each other (all of this with some worship time as well!). This retreat allows everyone of all generations to sit around the table together and get to know each other better. We could all use some new friends!

Retreat registration includes all activities, an activity guide for the morning sessions, as well as breakfast and lunch. Register by August 31st and pay \$35 per person. Register September 1st through the day of the retreat and the cost increases to \$45 per person. A retreat t-shirt will be offered for \$15 and must be ordered by August 30th to guarantee delivery at the retreat. Go to the church website and click on the retreat banner to register, order the T-shirt and pay online, or pick up a registration form at the back of the worship center and turn it into the office.

A prize will be offered to the first person who registers so hurry up and invite your friends!

ShaShawna Bush, Women's Minister



Anyone who has experienced the death of a family member or friend is invited to attend our new GriefShare series. The sessions are held each Wednesday for 13 weeks beginning, August 28th from 6:00 until 7:30 in the Come As You Are Classroom.

GriefShare is a biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support). The workbook also provides a brief daily Bible study.

At each GriefShare session you will find encouragement and help in grieving the death of your loved one. No matter the cause of your loved one's death, this is an opportunity to be around people who understand what you are feeling. You will learn how to recognize the symptoms of being stuck in grief and how to cope with the normal emotions that come when grieving a death. You will learn valuable information on facing life situations, and you'll gain renewed hope for the future.

These sessions are open to any adult regardless of whether your experience is recent or not so recent. The group is led by individuals who have personally experienced grief due to a loved one's death. Each leader is trained in facilitating a GriefShare support group. The \$10 registration fee includes materials. (Please don't allow this fee to keep you from attending; we do have scholarships available.) Go to the church website to register. While registration is not required it is helpful to ensure we have sufficient materials for each person attending.

Information about the weekly topics can be found on the GriefShare website at <http://www.griefshare.org>.

For additional information contact ShaShawn Bush, 254-541-5530 or by email, sbush02@yahoo.com or call the church office.

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In John 15:12, Jesus says, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." Loving and caring for one another is not just the pastor's job—it's something Jesus calls us all to do! Stephen Ministry is a ministry in which people with the spiritual gifts for caring ministry can put those gifts to use in an organized way, bringing Jesus' love and care to those who most need it.

If you know someone who is going through a difficult time or you are going through a difficult time contact Stephen Leader, ShaShawna Bush (254-541-5530) about Stephen Ministry. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide focused, confidential, one-to-one Christian care—to help that person experience the healing power of Christ's love.

ShaShawna Bush, Stephen Leader



Stay tuned for more info coming from Cross Generational Ministries!

Troy UMC

EPIC

Philippians 4:13

Student Ministry

EPIC Student Ministry Calendar

August

4th - Church Wide Pool Party 6-9 pm

7th - Lake Day 8 am - 2 pm

10th - Guys and Girls night 2 pm - 11 am on Sunday

11th - Back to School Bash 12-6 pm

18th - Bowling Spare Time in Temple 4-7 pm

25th - Bible study and games 5-7 pm

September

1st - Bible study and games 5-7pm

8th - Bible study and games 5-7 pm

11th - EPIC Wednesdays start back up!

15th - Random Acts of Kindness 5-7 pm

22nd - Bible study and Games 5-7 pm

25th See You at the Pole 7:20 am - leaders arrive at 7

29th - Post See You at the Pole Celebration 4-7 pm

In Christ
Joey



August Birthdays

- 2 Glenn Webb, Tracie Tedrow
- 4 Patti Ross
- 5 Christiansen Dunsmoor
- 6 Bailey Wormstadt
- 7 Lori Roessler
- 8 Susan Maedgen
- 9 Shelley Martinez
- 10 David Holmes
- 11 James Neal
- 13 Mike Mercer, Rodney Tedrow, David Ray
- 15 Paula Thrift, Ronnie Porter
- 16 Rob Jolliff
- 19 Paul Gibson
- 20 Emily Roessler
- 22 Cindy Havard, Harper Jarma
- 25 James Oliver
- 26 Jason Lambert
- 30 Phyllis Lynch
- 31 Tracey Holmes

August Anniversaries

- 5 Paul & Anne Gibson
- 9 Rob & Michelle Jolliff
- 10 Gaylon & Christin Ivey
- 18 Tooter & Susan Creech
Seth & Amanda Rurup
- 22 Bridger & Kate Bush
- 25 J.R. & Melody Ledger

Showers

You are invited to a bridal shower honoring

Meg Maedgen and August Brauer

Saturday, August 10th at 10:00 a.m.
Troy United Methodist Church
2500 FM 935 Troy, Texas

Registered at Target
and Bed, Bath & Beyond

You are invited to a bridal shower honoring

Sara Baldwin and Zach Lynch

Sunday, August 18 at 2:00
Troy United Methodist Church
2500 FM 935 Troy, Texas

Registered at
Bed, Bath & Beyond, Crate and Barrel,
& Pottery Barn

Thank You Notes

Dearest TUMC Family,

Thank you so very much for the love offering to use on our trip to England as a going-away gift. Our time at Troy was such a blessing and an honor to serve our Lord there together alongside each of you. The note cards with your words of love will be a precious treasure always.

Again, John and I are deeply touched by your expression of love. We love you and will keep you in our prayers always.

John & Rev. Leslie Byrd