



# For His Glory

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER - TROY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - MAY 2022

From Pastor David

I am astounded sometimes at how quickly time moves. We are beginning the month of May and I am excited about this month and the things we'll be doing as a congregation for the glory of Christ! We have a few special worship services that will be happening. First, we'll be celebrating our graduating seniors on May 22 in our worship services and will be hosting a brunch in honor of them between our worship services. That same day, we will be hosting our community's Baccalaureate at 6:00 pm. On May 29 we will not meet for worship as normal, but will gather to be sent out into our community in service as we worship beyond the walls. I am continuing a deep dive sermon series into Jonah, looking at how it is a sign that Christ pointed to in understanding his ministry and life on this earth, and how it also leads us to deeper relationship with Jesus. I'm looking forward to worshipping and service with all of you as we walk with Christ at Troy UMC!




I also wish to share with everyone an update regarding the future of the United Methodist Church. It has been some time since I have written regarding the future of our denomination. I have been wanting to write something regarding this future for the newsletter over the last few months, but frankly there have been so many unknowns and changing variables that I have not been able to write. This is an issue that has been looming over our church and the denomination for a number of years. Over the last month, a number of things have changed which prompts my writing on this subject this month. In the last update I gave, we were waiting for General Conference this summer to provide a pathway to the separation of the United Methodist Church over issues of human sexuality. Because of the continued struggles of COVID, this gathering will not take place this year. Unlike the last few times General Conference has been postponed due to COVID, there will be changes taking place in the near future.



From Pastor David continued...

Because of the inability of the General Conference to meet and develop a process for the denomination to amicably separate, the traditional branch of the denomination is moving to begin a new Methodist denomination this month, the Global Methodist Church. As this new denomination forms, we will start hearing of United Methodist Churches beginning to disaffiliate from the denomination to join the Global Methodist Church. At this time, our church leadership wishes to be measured in our response until we have a complete picture of what the new denomination will look like and what the process of disaffiliation from the United Methodist Church will be. We wish to remain focused on our task of growing every day in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ and offering the grace we receive to the world.

There is more information to share regarding this subject than can be shared in a newsletter article and a deeper discussion to be had. Recognizing this, we will be offering two informational meetings in the near future to outline the issues that the denomination is facing, the road that has led us to where we are, the formation of the new denomination, and our church's current response. These meetings will provide a time for us to share the most up-to-date information that we have regarding this issue and for any questions you may have to be asked. The date and times of the two meetings will be shared through the notepad and other church wide communication as soon as they are set.



*Charm is deceptive,  
and beauty is fleeting; but a  
woman who fears the Lord  
is to be praised.  
Proverbs 31:30*

Remember your MOM or other significant woman in your life by purchasing a rose for Mother's Day!

Cost is \$4.00 per flower, due upon ordering. Please, one honoree per rose.

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of roses ordered \_\_\_\_\_

Amount paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_



**DEADLINE TO ORDER WILL BE TUESDAY, MAY 3 AT NOON!!**



# Vacation Bible School

July 31<sup>st</sup> – August 4<sup>th</sup>



**Come join us for a fun-filled week at Vacation Bible School with activities, games, music and learning about Jesus!**

VBS is for ages 3 years - 5th grade. We need volunteers to help in all areas!

See Lisa Browning for more details.

**Congratulations to our TUMC 2022 Seniors! We wish you the best!**

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Joshua Gross

Jacob Klinger

Bryson Lambert

Mason Lambert

Caton Letbetter

Erian Medrano

Taylor Melikan

Graycee Mosely

Abbie Rurup

Kelli Tedrow

Adelyn Valle

Austin Webb  
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Seek God's will in all that you do and He will direct your path.  
Proverbs 3:6



## Church Events

Friday May 20th

Senior Luncheon hosted by UMW

Sunday May 22nd

Senior Sunday Brunch 9:45 am

Baccalaureate at Troy UMC 6:00 pm

Sunday May 29th

Worship Beyond the Walls 9:00 am

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### Volunteers Needed to Help Mow

Spring is here and the grass is growing, which means that it needs to be mowed to keep our church's property looking nice! We are looking for volunteers who would be able to help mow the church's property on a rotating basis. If you would like to help out by volunteering your time in this way, or would like some more information please talk with Gaylon Ivey or Pastor David.

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### Worship Beyond the Walls May 29

Mark your calendars for Sunday May 29 when we will be worshiping outside the walls of our church. Instead of meeting at the church at 8:30 and 11:00 as normal, we'll gather together at 9:00 am for one worship service of sending forth and then go out into our community to be the hands and feet of Christ through service. The missions team is very excited to get this ministry of service started off again. After our gathering at 9:00, we'll be splitting into teams to serve in different ways in our community. We will be offering multiple opportunities to serve in our community for all ages and abilities, so there'll be a place for you to serve! We hope that everyone will join together on this Sunday as we take our worship outside of the walls of our church into our community on the last Sunday of this month!



### Class of 2022 Events

On Friday May 20th the senior luncheon will be hosted by the United Methodist Women. This will be a time of fun fellowship for all the seniors.

To honor our Troy United Methodist Seniors there will be a Senior Sunday brunch on Sunday May 22nd at 9:45. All TUMC seniors are encouraged to attend and they will be recognized and honored.

That evening at 6pm Troy UMC will host Baccalaureate for all the seniors and the community. You are invited to come and support the seniors at this special event.





## BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Joe Massey
- 2 Jon Gersbach, Kage Rodahl
- 7 Kristi Penny
- 9 Lisa Browning, Emris Medrano,  
Tyler Buck
- 10 Edna Rankin, Toni Garza,  
Samuel Wilson
- 11 Janice Porter, Janice Kirkscey
- 12 Judy Schiller, Zach Lynch
- 16 Jim Trantum, Emma Gersbach,  
Kaelin England
- 17 Mandi Ray
- 20 Ronnie Vaculin
- 22 Russell Reinhardt
- 24 Gary Roessler
- 25 Carolyn Van Winkle
- 28 Mike Maedgen, Bethany Lindberg
- 31 Gaylon Ivey, Kolby Sims

## ANNIVERSARIES

- 18 Danny & Michelle Blackler
- 21 Darin & Amber Crawford
- 22 Gary & Donna Allison
- 26 Joey & Teresa DeLeon
- 31 Tony & Jill Ross



## MEMORIALS

*~ In memory of Charles Gover by Virginia Southerland, Tim & Lisa Southerland,  
Jay & Suzanne Copeland*

## THANK YOU NOTE

Hello to all,

Thank you for the delicious food for Papa's (Charles Gover) service. This helped greatly and was very thoughtful! We appreciate the love and support that we have received from Troy United Methodist Church.

In Him and Love,  
Buzzy, Kathie, Kristen and Brice Gover