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INVITING PEOPLE ON A JOURNEY WITH JESUS.

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Worship Schedule

8 a.m. Sanctuary
9 a.m. Family Life Center & Online
10:15 a.m. Sanctuary & Online
10:45 a.m. Family Life Center

Thousands of people showed up to take the tour of the ancient Hebrew tabernacle hosted at our church this July! Thank you to the dozens of volunteers who pitched in to help make this a powerful experience for all who visited!

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR ANDY

Seeking Your Recommendations

I am so grateful for the faithful servants of Troy United Methodist Church! In fact, I have never been more proud of our administrative leadership teams after the difficult year of decision making they faced with grace and integrity. This year reminded me again of the tremendous need to have humble, growing disciples in positions of leadership within our church.

Every fall, we hold a “charge conference” to formally approve our budget, elect leaders, and affirm those called to ordained or lay ministry within our congregation. This year, **our charge conference will be held Sunday, October 24, at 2 p.m. in the Sanctuary.** In preparation, our lay leadership team will be meeting on Thursday, September 16, to pray for, discuss, and deploy potential leaders onto the following teams:

- **Church Council:** the highest decision-making body of the church – gifts of leadership, administration, and discernment are helpful
- **Staff Parish:** the “Human Resources” group of the church – gifts of administration and encouragement, as well as experience in HR, are helpful
- **Trustees:** overseeing the management of the church building and property – gifts of administration, helps, and craftsmanship are helpful
- **Finance:** overseeing the church’s finances – gifts of administration and faith, as well as experience in bookkeeping, accounting, or other financial fields, are helpful
- **Mission:** administering our mission budget and maintaining mission partnerships – gifts of administration, mercy, and discernment, as well as a passion for missions, are helpful
- **Lay Leadership:** help assess and deploy church members to serve on the above teams – gifts of discernment and wisdom, as well as a knowledge of many members, are helpful
- **1st Step Board:** supports the preschool director, sets policies, and evaluates the preschool ministry – gifts of administration and encouragement, as well as a heart for the preschool, are helpful

Gifts and experience are beneficial, but of greater importance is a heart for God and strong character. Please consider some of these biblical qualifications for servant leadership to help you make recommendations for our church:

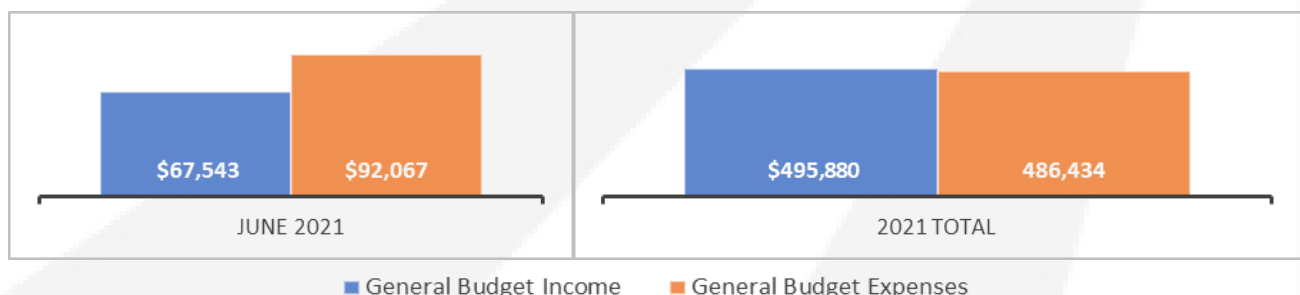
1. Not a brand-new believer (1 Timothy 3:6)
2. Displays growing spiritual maturity (Titus 1:8)
3. Humble, self-controlled, and hospitable (1 Timothy 3:2)
4. Generous with finances (1 Timothy 3:3)
5. Stable and respectable home life (1 Timothy 3:4-5)
6. Exhibits a tamed tongue (James 1:26; Titus 3:2)

Members of our church have the important role of identifying potential servant leaders for these teams. If you know of a member (including yourself) whose gifts and experiences make him or her a good fit for one of these teams, **please submit his or her name along with your rationale to me before Sunday, September 6.** Browse our current leadership roll on the next page as you consider your recommendations!

Faithfully,

Andy

General Budget



**Troy United Methodist Church
2022 Administrative Committees**

CHURCH COUNCIL

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| Church Council Chairperson | |
| Recording Secretary | Heather Wickersham |
| Senior Pastor | **Andy Adams |
| Lay Member of Annual Conference | Don Satterlee |
| Lay Member of Annual Conference | Terri Satterlee |
| Lay Leader | Mickey Jackson |
| Treasurer | Becky Rushing |
| Financial Secretary | George Johnson |
| Bookkeeper | Greg Symons |
| Staff Parish Relations Representative | |
| Committee on Finance Chairperson | |
| Board of Trustees Chairperson | Eric Brault |
| First Step Board Chairperson | Lisa Rayle |
| Finance Team Chair | Jordan Buck |
| Scouting Coordinator | Carl Inman |
| UMW Representative | Bethel Rogers |
| UMM Representative | Don Satterlee |
| Missions Team Representative | Becky Luebbert |
| Youth Representative | |
| Staff Members (ex-officio, without vote) | |
| Office Manager: | **Sharie Meyer |
| Associate Pastor — Student Ministries: | **Kurt Stone |

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS AT LARGE

| 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|---------------|---------------|------|
| Isabel Ososki | Wenifer Greer | |
| Rich Vierdag | Adam Jones | |

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS AND LEADERSHIP

| 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|----------------------------|--------------|------|
| Debbie Vierdag | Deb Inman | |
| Sharon Jackson | Dawn Lambert | |
| Tracy Kennett | Rita Brandt | |
| Lay Leader: Mickey Jackson | | |
| Chairperson: **Andy Adams | | |

MISSIONS TEAM

| 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|--------------|--------------------------|------|
| Troy McIlroy | Lindsey Lester-Brutscher | |
| David Norris | Beth Barbour | |
| | Tyson Graham | |

Minister: **Bonnie Abel

STAFF PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE

| 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|----------------------------|------------------|------|
| *Carl Inman | Barry Stolle | |
| Nick Goodwin | Christy Bryant | |
| Deb Ellis | Mark Kleindorfer | |
| Lay Leader: Mickey Jackson | | |
| Sr. Pastor: **Andy Adams | | |

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

| 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|--------------------------|------------------|------|
| Dale Storey | Corey Frazier | |
| *Eric Brault | Frank Sibley | |
| Michael Cushing | Jarid Roundcount | |
| Sr. Pastor: **Andy Adams | | |
| Staff: **Sharie Meyer | | |

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Chairperson | *Andy Shubert |
| Senior Pastor | **Andy Adams |
| Church Council Chairperson | |
| Lay Member of Annual Conference | Don Satterlee |
| Lay Member of Annual Conference | Terri Satterlee |
| Lay Leader | Mickey Jackson |
| Treasurer | Becky Rushing |
| Financial Secretary | George Johnson |
| Bookkeeper | Greg Symons |
| Trustees Representative | Eric Brault |
| Staff | **Sharie Meyer |

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE MEMBERS AT LARGE

| 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|------------------|--------------|------|
| Jason Wickersham | Neena Porter | |
| Mike Stuart | *Jordan Buck | |
| Beth Repp | | |

FIRST STEP PRESCHOOL BOARD

| 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|----------------|----------------|------|
| Carrie Cushing | | |
| Suzanne Price | Alison Shubert | |

*chairperson

**non-voting member

SHARE

Bring a Friend Sunday at St. Jacob UMC | August 1

On this special Sunday, every St. Jacob UMC attender is encouraged to reach out to a friend or neighbor and invite them to church.

In a survey done by the National Back To Church Sunday, it was revealed that 84% of churches surveyed recognized that having a designated day to invite people to church plays an important role in motivating members to reach out to their friends and family with an invitation.

According to church growth expert Win Arn, the friendship factor is one of the most important reasons people come to church. A survey of more than 50,000 people over the last 10 years revealed that between 75 and 90% of people say they began attending church because someone invited them! Please do your part to help make Bring a Friend Sunday on August 1 a special day in the life of St. Jacob UMC by inviting a friend or a neighbor to join you!



GriefShare meetings will begin Thursday, September 2.

Contact christine@troyumc.org or dan@troyumc.org for more information about GriefShare meetings at Troy UMC. Visit griefshare.org for more information about this grief support group. New attendees are always welcome.

SERVE

Missions Moment

We continue to be on mission in mighty ways here at Troy UMC! This past quarter, the Mission Team provided a financial gift to the Triad Special Olympics in order to help them obtain bocce ball courts. You might have seen the article in the newspaper! We also handed out nearly 500 donuts to the teachers and staff of all of the Triad schools the final week of school to thank them for educating the students of our communities in unprecedented times.

Each quarter, we will be finding new and creative ways to reach out to the community and say THANK YOU to the countless individuals and groups who protect, serve, and give of themselves, which is all possible because of your generous giving to our church. Thank you for being the church in such amazing ways!

Thank You to our Summer Lunch Program Volunteers

Thank you to all those who volunteered this summer to help provide lunches to the children of both the Troy and St. Jacob communities. Wow! You guys are awesome! Every week, we had people signed up to serve and a waitlist of people on-call in case of a cancellation. We are so blessed as a church family, and I (Bonnie) am so thankful as a staff member to serve in a church that displays the love of Christ with a servant's heart. You are all such a blessing to me and to our community. **Keep up the great work!**

BACK TO SCHOOL

family event

Saturday, August 14

9:00 - 11:00 am

Troy United Methodist Church



Christine Lippert | christine@troyumc.org | troyumc.org

All good things must come to an end — and that definitely includes summer for kids! But with the end of summer comes the awesome **Back to School Family Event at Troy UMC from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, August 14.** Your kids will love the music and games with Harvest Ministry and the snacks, activities, and ShoutCo Puppets! Bring the whole family for this special morning. We will also do a Blessing of the Backpacks and an official promotion of all 5th grade students to Student Ministry next year (we will miss you!). There will be giveaways, snacks, and an introduction to our new parenting resources from PHASE.

TRUNKS, TREATS & MORE! TRUNK OR TREAT



Halloween Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 31, 2021

4:00-6:00PM

**Join us for decorated trunks
and yummy treats.**

**In case of inclement weather
activities will be moved
indoors to the FLC.**

Reach out to Christine (christine@troyumc.org) if you would like to host a trunk.

NEW LIFE STUDENT MINISTRY

All Troy UMC 6th through 12th grade students are invited on a journey with Jesus. Through the New Life Student Ministry, students connect with other students at church, grow through study of the Scriptures, serve others via special events, and worship God regularly as part of our life together.

Students and parents — get ready for August!

This month includes outdoor recreation, the New Life Student Ministry Fall 2021 Kick-Off event, a trip to The Muny, and the beginning of Wednesday Night Youth Group! Come join us on the journey of faith.

AUGUST 4 — Last of the Summer Wednesday Night Series

5:15 – 9:45 p.m.

The Dubois Center; Dubois, IL

Summer RSVP + \$10

We close out the summer with outdoor recreation: a horse trail ride, canoeing, archery, and walking a labyrinth! Bring a snack and drink (and cowboy/cowgirl boots, if you have a pair!).

AUGUST 11 — No Youth Group Meeting

Students and parents have a night off to prepare for the start of the 2021-2022 school year.

AUGUST 18 — Fall 2021 Kick-Off!

5:30 – 7:45 p.m.

Troy Methodist Fields — Ball Field #1

The kick-off event is for 6th-12th grade students, parents, and student ministry adult leaders. We will enjoy dinner hot off the grill (brats, burgers, and chicken on a stick), as well as outdoor games (crazy baseball game and gaga ball tournament)! We will also get a preview of Student Ministry for Fall 2021 (youth group, Confirmation Class, and special events) and do a blessing of the backpacks.

AUGUST 22 — On Your Feet! at The Muny

6-11 p.m.

RSVP + \$40 (includes bus ride, show ticket, and box dinner)

The first special event this fall is our annual visit to The Muny in Forest Park to experience the musical *On Your Feet!* The inspiring true story of the queen of Latin pop, Gloria Estefan and her husband, Emilio, is a universal sensation that shows what can happen when two people believe in their talent, music, and one another. Their moving rags-to-riches story features some of the most chart-topping songs of the past quarter-century, including “Rhythm is Gonna Get You,” “1-2-3,” “Coming Out of the Dark” and the title hit, “Get On Your Feet.” With this Muny premiere, audiences will leave ready to “Conga!”



AUGUST 25 — Wednesday Night Youth Group Begins

6-7:45 p.m.

Troy UMC Family Life Center

Wednesday night includes a light dinner, worship/music, a teaching session, and small groups. Theme: God Never Changes — “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever” (Hebrews 13:8)

PARENTS

- Summer and special event registration flyers can be accessed at troyumc.org/students.
- To receive student ministry text updates, **text troystudents to 94000**.
- Rev. Kurt Stone is available via email, texts, and phone calls: kurt@troyumc.org or (618) 407-7586.

Fishing Derby



Swimming at SIUe



SIUe Nature Preserve Hike



Disc Golf at Tri-Township Park



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*Associate Pastor, Student Ministry
Kurt Stone

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Tim Price

*Director of Traditional Worship Arts
Emily Ottwein

*Director of Children's Ministry
Christine Lippert

*Director of Communications
Anna Belmonte

*Minister of Discipleship
Bonnie Abel

*Director of 1st Step Learning Center
Lisa Rayle

*Office Manager
Sharie Meyer

*Administrative Assistant
Marie Brown

*Fields Manager
Courtney Bettis

*Accompanist
Mike Rogier

*Production Coordinator
Josh Case

Worship Tech Coordinator
Nick Tipton

Custodians
David Barr, Loren Fear, Penny Stone,
Noah Durbin

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Connect with us!

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AUGUST SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS

| Date | Event |
|-----------|--|
| August 1 | Bring a Friend Sunday at St. Jacob UMC (see page 4) |
| August 11 | Worship & Prayer Night (6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary) |
| August 14 | Back to School Family Event (see page 5) |
| August 15 | Connect Lunch (see below) |
| August 18 | Student Ministry Fall 2021 Kick-Off Event (see page 6) |
| August 22 | Student Ministry Special Event at The Muny (see pg. 6) |
| August 25 | Wednesday Night Youth Group Resumes (see page 6) |
| August 29 | Membership Class (see below) |

CONNECT

New to Troy UMC? We want to welcome you and provide opportunities for you to connect!

Connect Lunch | Sunday, August 15, from Noon to 1:45 p.m.

Immediately after the 10:45 a.m. service, we will enjoy lunch from Fire and Smoke, spend time getting to know each other, and provide time to answer any questions you might have about our church family.

Staff from various ministries will be available to answer questions and share about ways to get connected. We will also take a tour of our church facilities so you can get to know your way around.

Childcare is available with RSVP. Your kids will be able to eat lunch with you and then go to the children's area with our staff for a fun activity. RSVP by emailing our Minister of Discipleship, Bonnie, at bonnie@troyumc.org.

Membership Class | Sunday, August 29, from Noon to 1 p.m.

Another great step to get connected is our one-time class where you will learn a little more about the United Methodist Church and what it means to be a member at Troy UMC. There is no obligation to join our church after the class, but you will certainly have the option!

We will provide lunch and childcare (if needed). Please RSVP by emailing bonnie@troyumc.org.



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