



**December 30, 2018**

**First Sunday After Christmas**

Rev. Dave Leckrone, Senior Pastor

**Ty Williams, Associate Pastor**

Bob Lybarger, Associate Pastor

*Our Mission: Invite ~ Equip ~ Engage*

## Luke 2. 41-52 (CEB)

<sup>41</sup> Each year his parents went to Jerusalem for the Passover Festival. <sup>42</sup> When he was 12 years old, they went up to Jerusalem according to their custom. <sup>43</sup> After the festival was over, they were returning home, but the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents didn't know it. <sup>44</sup> Supposing that he was among their band of travelers, they journeyed on for a full day while looking for him among their family and friends. <sup>45</sup> When they didn't find Jesus, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. <sup>46</sup> After three days they found him in the temple. He was sitting among the teachers, listening to them and putting questions to them. <sup>47</sup> Everyone who heard him was amazed by his understanding and his answers. <sup>48</sup> When his parents saw him, they were shocked. His mother said, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Listen! Your father and I have been worried. We've been looking for you!" <sup>49</sup> Jesus replied, "Why were you looking for me? Didn't you know that it was necessary for me to be in my Father's house?" <sup>50</sup> But they didn't understand what he said to them. <sup>51</sup> Jesus went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. His mother cherished every word in her heart. <sup>52</sup> Jesus matured in wisdom and years, and in favor with God and with people.

**Staying in Business" – sermon notes:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Troy First Challenges for December:

Embrace the practice of reading scripture

Adopt the Advent tradition of engaging the story

Find time to be free of distractions to be alone with God

Get involved in a ministry at the church – try something new

# First News



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## We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors today!

We are glad you are visiting with us today. We would like to get to know you. Please stop by the welcome center. If this is your first time with us we would invite you to fill out a visitor card at the welcome counter (they are also located in the attendance pads that you will receive during offering). Hand the card to a greeter to receive a welcome special gift we have for you. We're excited you're worshiping with us today. Welcome!

### Attendance

Worship: 432 Sunday school: 89  
Christmas Eve: 923

### First Friend of the Week Congrats on a job well done!

Rob Morrison  
1483 Covent Rd.  
Troy, Ohio 45373

**1<sup>st</sup> Friend of Week cards** are located on the **prayer wall** on the table. If you would like to send a card please fill one out and place it in the red basket on the prayer counter. We will make sure it gets delivered to our special friend.

### Lybarger Wedding

Rebecca Lybarger and Ryan Kvarness cordially invite the church congregation to their wedding ceremony. The ceremony will be January 5, 2019 at 3:00 pm at Troy First United Methodist Church.

## Weekly Calendar

Sunday: Dec. 30  
Monday: Dec. 31  
Tuesday: Jan. 1  
Wednesday: Jan. 2  
Office Closed  
Thursday: Jan. 3  
6:00pm Ty's Bible Study  
6:30pm Bells practice  
7:00pm Praise team  
7:30pm Choir practice  
Friday: Jan. 4  
6:00pm Lybarger/Kvarness rehearsal  
7:00pm Rehearsal dinner Lybarger  
Saturday: Jan. 5  
7:30am Men's breakfast Bob Evans  
3:00pm Lybarger/Kvarness Wedding

## Upcoming Events

Jan. 6: Evening Prayer & communion  
Jan. 7: Intercessory meeting  
Miami County Council of Garden Club  
Jan. 8: Faith Hope Circle  
Jan. 9: Youth  
Susannah Wesley Circle  
Jan. 10: Men's Bible Study  
Ty's Bible Study  
Bells practice  
Choir practice  
Praise Team practice

## **First Kids Christian Preschool Early Registration**

Early registration for the 2019-2020 school year at First Kids Christian Cooperative Preschool begins on January 7th for all current preschool families and all Troy First United Methodist Members. If you would like to register your child for the 2019-2020 school year, please fill out and return a registration form. Classes fill quickly!! A non-refundable registration fee of \$50 is due at the time of registration. Open registration for the rest of the community begins on February 3.

Registration forms can be found in the Gathering Room at the Troy First United Methodist Church or on the preschool website—[www.firstkidspreschool.org](http://www.firstkidspreschool.org). If you have any questions

Please contact Bridget Haines, at 937-335-2826 or [bhaines@troymc.org](mailto:bhaines@troymc.org).

## **Pastoral Care**

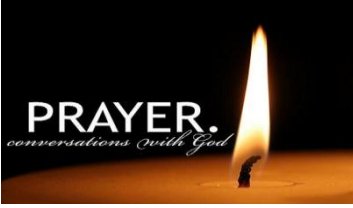
If you are admitted to a hospital and desire a Pastoral visit, please call or have a family member call the church to let us know. Due to HIPAA laws the hospital will not notify us unless specifically ask them to notify your Church Pastor.

## **Let's Go**

We still have room on the Chattanooga Choo Choo, deposit due now. Deposit for Vera Bradley outlet sale is due Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Questions call Diana 216-7088.

## **ROCK**

We are in need of 2 adult leaders for the next session of ROCK. We are tentatively scheduled to begin January 30 and run for 6 weeks each Wednesday from 6-7 pm. The age group is K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade and there are usually around 15 kids in this group. All curriculum and supplies are provided and the hour usually consists of a Bible story, craft and game. Please contact Penny Hoekstra or Marilee Lake if you are interested or have any questions.



Please keep the following member(s) of our church family in your prayers:  
Vicki Boone, Caldwell House  
Shirley Hensel, home  
Stanley Neves, Genesis

### **Quiet Bags**

Quiet bags are available on the back wall by the media room for young children to play with during worship service.

### **TFYG Events**

#### **Troy First Youth Group**

Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> – Return from Winter Break 6:30-8:30pm

Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> – Romans & Christians 6-8 pm

Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> – Outside the walls-TFYG small groups meet outside the church walls! 6:30-8:30pm

Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> – Winter Jam \$20 (ticket and dinner included)



Calling all coffee enthusiasts. First Place has been blessed with a custom built coffee cart for the contemporary service. Come try a cup of freshly ground coffee and enjoy some homemade goodies.

## **New Year's Day 5k**

The 12th annual World Race for Hope 5k is taking place again on New Year's Day morning in Troy. This event, which started in 2008 as the Race for First Place to raise funds for the First Place renovation, has been focused on human trafficking awareness, and has raised thousands of dollars over the years to combat human trafficking in the Dayton region. Due to challenging weather conditions in recent years, the event organizers have decided to make it a free and informal no-frills 5k. Runners, walkers, families, and pets are welcome to attend! The start time is 10 am at the gazebo on the river levee near Hobart Arena. You can register ahead of time at <https://runsignup.com/worldraceforhopetroy>, or just show up and walk or run. Any donations received will be used by Free To Run Foundation for our local awareness and education programs. Any questions, please contact Brett Bogan or Cynde Sroufe.

# Stewardship Report

## General Operating Fund - Tithes & Offerings

Week 51 of 52

12/23/2018	12/17/2017	Change	% Change
\$10,074.77	\$21,978.00	-\$11,903.23	-54.16%
1/1/2018-12/23/2018	1/1/2017-12/17/2017	Change	% Change
\$552,618.51	\$564,697.09	-\$12,078.58	-2.14%

### Last Week's Offering

#### General Operating Fund

Tithes & Offerings	\$10,074.77
Breakfast	99.00
Funeral Meal	350.00
Loose Plate	387.00
Sunday School	9.00
Upper Room	121.00

#### Other Project Funds

Christmas Offering – for Missions	2,542.00
Debt Reduction	450.00
First Kids Preschool	79.00
FISH	525.00
Food Pantry	825.00
Investing in the Future Campaign	2,180.00
Let's Go	2,618.00
Missions (Poinsettias)	2.00
Poinsettias	32.00
The Traveling Team (Carrie Komjati)	150.00
Trustee's Capital	105.00

Money received for Other Project Funds are designated contributions and do not represent any financial support from the General Operating Fund.

Financial Statements are posted on the bulletin board in the Gathering Room.