

Troy
Church of Christ

Sunday Worship

Bible classes:

10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Worship Service:

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Mid-Week Study

Tuesdays

6:30 p.m. - at the building.

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Troy Church of Christ is to exhibit growth and development in the faith, love, and devotion of our members to Christ our Lord thru the recognition and utilization of the talents and skills of each member and thru the teaching of the Word of God. The Church will eagerly embrace the opportunity to share the love of Christ thru acts of service to those in need in the surrounding community via partnerships with community organizations and relationships of the congregation's members, all for the purpose of winning souls to Christ himself.

"27 Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world"
James 1:27

"19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age."
Matthew 28:19-20

Serving in the Worship Assembly

Sermon – Adam Lougee

Song Leading – Adam Lougee

Opening Prayer – Dan Farrington

Announcements – Dan Farrington

Scripture Reading – Wayne Perrault

Communion – Adam Lougee

Offering – Mike Quillinan

Closing Prayer – Dennis Hofshield

Adult Class – Dan Farrington

Children's Bible Time – Dennis Hofshield



Family News

Troy Church of Christ
June 11, 2017

Question:

"What are hymns? What is the value of hymns in worship?"

Answer:

A hymn is a song of praise. In ancient Greek culture, a *hymnos* was musical praise directed to the gods or heroes of the day. In Christianity, hymns are directed to the one true God, of course.

God's people have sung hymns in honor of the Almighty since the time of Moses and before (Exodus 15:1). David sang the "new song" God gave him and taught others to sing "a hymn of praise to our God" (Psalms 40:3). Jesus and His disciples sang a hymn together at the Last Supper (Mark 14:26). The early church sang hymns as part of their regular gatherings (1 Corinthians 14:26). Paul and Silas, with their feet in stocks in a Philippian jail, were "praying and singing hymns to God" (Acts 16:25).

Technically, a hymn is a stanzaic, metrical poem meant to be sung. A traditional meter for hymns in English is 8.6.8.6., called common meter, which corresponds with ballad stanza. The subject matter of a hymn is what distinguishes it from the "psalms" and "spiritual songs" mentioned in Ephesians 5:19 (ESV); a psalm can be thought of as Scripture set to music—usually from the book of Psalms—and a spiritual song can be any song with a spiritual theme, including songs of testimony and admonition. A hymn addresses and celebrates God and has the purpose of praise and adoration.

Ephesians 5:18-19 says there is a direct connection between being filled with the Spirit and singing: "Be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord." A Spirit-filled Christian is a singing Christian. Music is the natural overflow of a heart in fellowship with the Lord. The songs the church sings are not to be simply a musical exercise; they must be in the heart and not just in the mouth. The hymns the Spirit prompts are a means by which believers edify, encourage, and teach each other (see also Colossians 3:16).

Hymns are a valuable aid to worship because they help to focus our attention on the goodness and glory of the Lord. The hymn "How Great Thou Art," for example, reminds us of God's majesty revealed in creation, His perfect sacrifice on the cross, and His coming return for His own—all matters of praise.

The classic hymns of Martin Luther, Isaac Watts, Fanny Crosby, Charles Wesley, and many others have blessed millions of Christians through the centuries. Modern hymn writers such as Twila Paris, Keith and Kristyn Getty, Graham Kendrick, and Stuart Townend continue to put biblical truth in poetic form and turn our attention to the Lord who is great and "most worthy of praise" (Psalm 96:4).

Source: gotquestions.org



Christian Fellowship,
Upcoming Events and Needs

Kitchen donations for Camp Hunt

A list of items are on the bulletin board. Your help with this, will surely make a difference for a lot of people. Thank you to all that donated during our special collection, also!

Men's Study and Meeting

June 19, 2017
6:30pm @ the building

Ladies Class

June 22, 2017
6:30pm @ Gail's House

Welcome Visitors

We are very happy to have you with us and hope you will come back and worship with us again, soon!

Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.
Hebrews 13:2



June Birthdays

Lina Markovitch 2nd
Dan Farrington 4th
Tia Migliaro
Tyler Zimmerman 24th
Carter Zimmerman
Darrel Garcia 26th



Prayers & Thanksgiving

Lynn Daley

Ted - A friend of Dennis and Ara, has been diagnosed with stage IV cancer.

Jim Baldwin - his service and safety while in Afghanistan. Prayers that the Church of Christ there will continue to grow. Jim will return home very soon!

Jim Hannon - landlord of our building, is out of the hospital and recovering.

Summer season 2017 at Camp Hunt.

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.
Colossians 4:2