

Weekly Services

Sunday	Bible Class	10:00am
	Worship	11:00am
Wednesday	Mid-Week Study	6:30pm

Happening in June

Sunday, June 24	Guest speaker, Keith Galyon, from the Albany Congregation
Tuesday, June 26	Ladies Class 6:30pm @ Dawn's

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

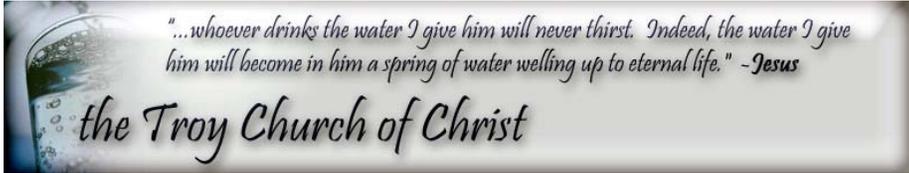
The mission of the Troy Church of Christ is to exhibit growth and development in the faith, love, and devotion of our members to Christ our Lord thru the recognition and utilization of the talents and skills of each member and through the teaching of the Word of God. The Church will eagerly embrace the opportunity to share the love of Christ through 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



# Welcome

June 17, 2018

## Today's Service:

Sermon: Duane Cefalu  
 Songs: Dan Farrington  
 Communion: Bob Shaver

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Answer: Claudius Caesar



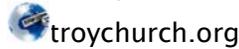
Troy Congregation - continued prayers during our transition

Mike Quillinan - migraines

Laura Sanderson - health issues

Dennis & Riina - Their work in Estonia

Visit our website for a complete list of prayer requests.



How can we pray for you?

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*Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*

**Bible Quiz**

In what ruler's days did this great famine come? (Acts 11:28)

**The Richness of Humility**

~ Glen Elliott  
Greenbrier Church of Christ

There is nothing quite so wonderful as a heart that humbly accepts the manifold blessings of the Lord. While "God is opposed to the proud," He "gives grace to the humble" (James 4:6). Consequently, we should strive to be like beautiful stalks of wheat—the more laden with grain, the lower bent toward the ground.

If taken for granted, even a blessing can become a curse and a well-spring producing pride and arrogance. Surely, such brings the opposition of God and, with it, disaster. Solomon reminds us that "Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before stumbling" (Proverbs 16:18). Pride is an anti-God state of mind because it exalts us to a position that should be reserved exclusively for the Lord. One of life's greatest challenges is achieving the proper balance between pride and self-abasement. Paul said that a man ought not to "think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment..." (Romans 12:3). A Christian can feel very positive about himself without being puffed up by pride (Philippians 4:13). The focus, however, must not be on self but on Christ who lives within us.

When Christ reigns in our hearts through faith, our lives are placed at His disposal. This is when we become most effective in our service to God and our fellow man. But, when our priority is self, we become callous to the Master's will and find ourselves standing in opposition to God. Such a path leads only to heartache and destruction.

A much better life is the one that is established on a foundation of humility. God's way truly is best for us. He gives the riches of His grace to the humble. Like a grain-laden stalk of wheat, we are full and rich because, in bending to the will of the Master, He delights to bless us over and over again. We should, therefore, "Humble [ourselves] in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt [us]" (James 4:10).

Sermon Notes:

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