

First United
Methodist Church
of Troy

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Tidings



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SUNDAYS

9:30 Contemporary
Worship in the CLC
10:00 Traditional
Worship in the
Sanctuary
10:25-11:00 Jr. Church
11:00-11:20 Coffee
Fellowship
11:20-12:00 Sunday
School for all ages

Coming Events

October 7
Safe Sanctuary Training
October 11
Bible Sunday
Blessing of the
Animals
October 21
LOGOS begins
October 25
Trick or Trunk

(See articles in this
Tidings for all of the
above.)

Looking Up

Dear Friends In Christ,
We are well into the fall
program. School has started,
committees are back to their regular
schedules, groups are meeting,
choirs are singing and ringing, and
life is feeling orderly after our
summer schedule. We need order in
our lives. Routines can be healthy
and helpful to us all.

John Wesley believed that
Christians needed to
be regular in their
attendance in worship,
in accountability
groups, and in service
to others. We, as
United Methodist, still
believe these
principles of faithful
living and strive to
practice them as congregations
who see themselves as strong
branches of the church of Jesus
Christ.

As we enter this fall season I
invite us all to make a healthy
examination of our life within the
church. I invite each of us to
consider regularly being at worship
and regularly being part of a small
group within the life of the church
that can offer us the natural mutual
nurture and care of others. Worship

provides us with the feeling of
being totally together as the Body
of Christ, however, small groups
provide us with the feeling of being
cared about as a small family. We
need both of these feelings in our
lives as we journey together by faith
to be the church.

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Wesley is right on target...
to find help, in making sense out
of their daily lives.

to find help, in raising their
children.

to find help, in developing
meaningful relationships.

May we at First UMC of Troy
always help others find these
essentials for life.

See You In Church,
Rev. Hal

New Member Class

Do you wish to join the congregation of Troy First? There will be a new member class on October 4th during the Sunday school time of 11:20-12:00. Please call the church office if you are interested. New members would then join on Sunday, October 11th.

Financial Report as of August 31, 2009

Operations and Ministries

Building/Mortgage Reduction

	August	YTD		August	YTD
Budgeted Income	32,333	258,664	Mortgage Pmt	17,568	140,604
Actual Income*	29,011	249,669	Actual Income#	11,610	114,419

*Includes income from Troy Co-op and CLC

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World Communion Sunday

On Sunday, October 4th, United Methodist all over the world will be giving a special offering for Communion Sunday. World Communion Sunday Offering provides scholarships for racial and ethnic minority students in the United States and International Students. World Communion Scholars represent more than 25 countries. They study in a wide variety of fields including family pastoral care, clinical psychology, peace and governance, crop production and law and health issues. There are envelopes enclosed and there will be envelopes in the pews for you to give generously to support this ministry.

Bible Sunday

On October 11th during both contemporary and traditional worship, we will continue giving our third grade students a Bible. If you have a third grader, or an older child who hasn't received a Bible, please contact Meg Wilson at 248-879-6363 or megwilson42@sbcglobal.net.

Blessing of the Animals

Come and worship with your pets on Sunday, October 11th at 3:00pm. This is a brief outdoor service which is held rain or shine.

This service honors and blesses the beloved animals of our lives. It follows an old tradition started by St. Francis of Assisi, 1181-1226.

All animals are welcome and humans too! Stuffed animals may be blessed if your household doesn't include any living creatures! Please have your pets restrained for safety. So bring your goldfish, dogs, cats, hamsters, horses and any other creature to this afternoon of fun and celebration!

Rev. Hal will officiate with help from the youth. Refreshments will be served to both human and animal participants.

Trick or Trunk

Trick or Trunk is a popular event here at Troy First organized by our youth for children and their families. It will be held on Sunday, October 25th, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the church parking lot. There will be games and refreshments, a costume parade and, of course, trick or treating.

You can participate by coming to the event and passing out candy to the children from your car's trunk. You can decorate your car in a Halloween theme.

Trick or Trunk provides a safe and fun way for the children to experience trick or treating from the safety of the church parking lot! If you've never come before, you'll be in for a treat! Come and enjoy an afternoon with our youth and children. Grandchildren and neighbors are welcome. It will be a frightfully good time!

Annual Church Conference

Our annual Church Charge Conference is on November 30th. The theme this year is "We Are The Church Together" based on Acts 9:31 NRSV.

Halloween Boxes for College Students

It's time to start thinking of Halloween and sending a care package to our college students. We need individually-packaged items such as gum, popcorn, ramen noodles, hot chocolate and candy as well as non-food items. There will be a collection box in the gathering area.

This is also a reminder for **all** college students to please give the office your address even if you are living at home so that we can send you a care package. Thanks.

Laurie Urbach

Hark the Herald Angels Sing - already!

It's time to start thinking about Christmas!

Each year, we eagerly await and enjoy reading the stories our church family has submitted for the annual Advent devotional booklet. This year will be no different. But wait, maybe it will! We know that family members of all ages have stories to tell - it's just that some of us are more comfortable with writing! So, this year, we have come up with a new idea that we hope will encourage more people to share their Christmas recollections. On four upcoming Sundays - September 13 & 27 and October 4 & 11 - you can meet Sara or Sheila during Coffee Hour and talk with us about your memories while we type them up. What could be easier? No more worries about spelling, punctuation or paragraphing! We really hope this new option will be a big success. Of course if you prefer, you can still send your stories to Sara or Sheila or you can drop them off in the church office. The deadline for entries is November 1st. Make sure your article is included in this year's Advent Booklet!

*Thanks,
Sara Matthews & Sheila Wilson*

Veteran's Day

On November 8th, we will again be honoring our veterans by producing a Power Point presentation to be displayed during worship. If you have a picture of yourself, a parent, grandparent or good friend who has or is serving our country in any of the military branches, please forward that picture (preferably in uniform, but not required) to Chuck Tincknell by October 31st. You may also drop off your picture in the church office. Pictures will be returned. If you have given us your picture in the past, we do not need another one. We have it on file.

Book Study

The Thursday evening novel discussion group will not happen this fall for various reasons. Anyone interested in leading such a group another time should give Jan Peacock a call.

**If you print this newsletter,
please recycle it!**

What Is Stephen Ministry?

Dr. Kenneth Haugk, a pastor and clinical psychologist in St. Louis, trained the first class of Stephen Ministers in 1975. He saw that needs for care exceeded what he alone could provide to his congregation. The ministry was so successful that it was suggested that it be shared with other congregations. He founded Stephen Ministries St. Louis to equip congregations to train laity for this ministry.

Stephen Ministries St. Louis trains and supports leaders to run the Stephen Ministry program at their own local church. Leaders are trained at a week long training course. More than 55,000 individuals have been trained. More than 10,000 congregations representing 150 different Christian denominations in all 50 states, 10 Canadian provinces, and 23 other countries have Stephen Ministry programs. These leaders have in turn trained more than 500,000 Stephen Ministers, who have supported more than a million care-receivers.

The first group of 6 Stephen Leaders at Troy First was trained in 1998 by Stephen Ministries St. Louis. They in turn trained the first class of 12 Stephen Ministers, who were commissioned in February, 1999. A total of 9 Stephen Leaders and 31 Stephen Ministers have been trained to date. Over 75 care-receivers have been supported by the Stephen Ministers.

Stephen Ministers receive 50 hours of training over many weeks. They are trained to become Christian caregivers. Their role is to listen and care, not to counsel or advise. They are supervised at monthly meetings to ensure that the best-quality Christian care is being provided. Because Stephen Ministry is a confidential ministry, names of care-receivers and specific details are never discussed. Stephen Ministers are only assigned to people who want their care and support.

If you need a Stephen Minister or want to learn more, contact the church office or Betty Kalvoda, Bill Rampenthal, or Tom Stevens.

Embracing the Journey Study

Come join Rev. Hal on Wednesday nights for this spiritual formation study. This small group allows you to build meaningful relationships with others and form life-long habits of listening to God. Participants will explore their spiritual lives and grow in their awareness of God's presence in everyday life.

Wednesday evenings during LOGOS from October 21 through November 18 at 6:15 to 7:15pm.

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed

The Sunday Hospitality Committee (SHC) would like to thank all who have offered appreciation, assistance, food and donations through the initial months of this year! It is a blessing that our congregation is so supportive of this time of fellowship, to enjoy each other and cultivate relationships with those who are visiting and new to our church family. A mission of SHC is to provide an opportunity for people to more easily host coffee hour. SHC has significantly streamlined the hosting experience by removing two primary points of concern: preparation of coffee, tea and juice service; and apprehension about working in the kitchen. We need people who would like to offer to host. You provide your gift at your convenience. Host in honor of your family's special occasion. Your committee can host to promote a committee project. Host with several of your friends! Would you like to provide the food, preparation and service? SHC is available to assist your preparations. Are you able to provide food alone? SHC is grateful for your gift and we are happy to prepare the table and service. Please look for the sign up sheet available during coffee hour. Please contact Jeff Boelter with your questions and comments.

Fruits of the Spirit

According to Galatians 5: 22, Christian character produces 9 graces: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, humility and self-control.

Thank-you, Anne Butterbaugh and LaNae Michael for making the "Fruit of the Spirit" banners that convey this visual as we worship together in the sanctuary.

Safe Sanctuary Training Dates

Safe Sanctuary trainings are for anyone who serves in any role in children and youth ministries.

This training has three goals:

1. to protect our families,
2. to protect our volunteers, and,
3. to protect our church.

If you serve our children or youth and have never attended this training, this is a church requirement.

Please plan on attending either September 24th at 7pm or October 7th at 7pm.

Childcare can be arranged by contacting Meg Wilson at 248-879-6363 three days prior to each training date.

Only Every Ten Years!

Beginning July 27, 2010, our United Methodist Conference is offering a 9-day trip to the world famous 400 year old Passion Play of Jesus in Oberammergau, Germany; plus other Alpine Wonders. The Passion Play is presented only every ten years!

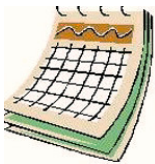
Joyce and Karl Henn of Troy First UMC are excited about being hosts for this Christian-based Educational Opportunities Tour. Brochures are available in front of the church office.

ALL CHURCH FALL WORKDAY – Saturday, October 3

Our church needs YOUR help with a few tasks that can be completed within a short period of time. The Trustees are hosting an ALL CHURCH workday, on Saturday, October 3, 2009, from 9:00am-1pm (following men's breakfast).

Do you have a special skill that you could share? Do you have some energy that you could volunteer to help clean up and fix up our church? Do you like working outside in God's world, in the garden, or trimming bushes/trees? WE NEED YOU to make this a priority on your family calendar, and let Marie Watson know that you are able and ready for a job or two.

Maybe you will be away on October 3, but still want to help out. Trustees will have their task list available on Sunday, September 27 for you to take a job and work on it during the week or even after you get back. It's great to work together on Saturday, but if you want to complete a task because you're busy October 3, feel free to check with Marie on September 27 or email her.



CALENDAR ONLINE – check it out!

Are you wondering about dates on the church calendar? Do you miss your Tidings calendar that sometimes didn't have updated information on it? Our church calendar is on our website, and it is kept current, sometimes three/four times a day. Need to check a meeting date/time? Check online. Wondering if there is an upcoming wedding? Check online. Want to secure a date for your committee to host a potluck? You can check the online calendar and make sure your date is available. The online calendar is kept by Lisa Head so email her at lisaheadclc@sbcglobal.net or call her with any questions or comments. The website for the calendar is www.fumctroy.org and then click on Calendar.

Crop 'til You Drop Weekend!

Just when you thought you had all the Scrapbooking you could handle, we're offering a 14-hour Croptoberfest Marathon Night and Day! On October 16-17, in our Christian Life Center, our Scrapbooking consultant, Marlo Moeller will be hosting this HUGE event, which includes Friday night dinner and six hours of scrapping, and/or Saturday b'fast, lunch, snacks and eight hours of scrapping! Join us for one or both days! Please see flyer or email Lisa Head at lisaheadclc@sbcglobal.net to sign up for this fun event!

University of Troy UMC

Expand your mind! Three evenings of learning about Christian topics on Sundays, October 11, 18, and 25 from 6:30-7:30pm. Topics will include: Who wrote the Bible?, The Last Supper according to DaVinci, and The faith of Abraham Lincoln. Details will be available soon.

United Methodist Women News

Our members are gearing up for a busy Fall. Please read the following and see where you would like to participate. We welcome all women in the church.

We are making sandwiches for Detroit Central UMC at church on Wednesday, September 23, at 1pm. This goes together quickly when we have lots of volunteers.

Also, on Monday, September 28, we are holding our Fellowship Luncheon at Camp Ticonderoga. Time is 11:30am. If you would like to attend, please call Julie Olsavsky to be put on the list. Come for an hour of good fellowship and get to know more ladies of Troy First.

In October we will be doing Blankets for Baldwin. If anyone is interested in purchasing a blanket to donate, you will need 1 ½ yards of both printed and plain fleece for children and 2 yards of both for an adult size. You have been most generous in the past to support this worthwhile mission project. We will be putting them together at our October 8 Ruth Circle meeting and invite you to join us. If you cannot attend and would like to donate a blanket please see Ann Stevens or Penny Laws.

On October 10 we will be hosting The Detroit East District Conference meeting. We are asking for volunteers to make breakfast-type baked goods for the pastors and lay leaders who will be attending. If this is something that interests you, please call Ann Stevens.

Don't forget the UMW library. We have some interesting books for you to read. Check it out. We have a reading program that you may participate in. Ask us about it!!

It is so much fun being with the special ladies who care so much about missions and each other. We need you. We invite you to join us at our Circles and see what we are about. I know you will want to join us!

*Blessings,
Ann Stevens, President*

Greetings from Monrovia First United Methodist Church

We've spoken to Rev. Erlene Thompson, the Sr. pastor of our sister church in Monrovia, Liberia.

She is thrilled with our continued support of the ministries the church is able to offer. They just dedicated a new church building in the village of Jerue which was completed after four years. The church also built a school building for a small village that was in desperate need for a school that was in walking distance for their children. If you want to see more updates on Monrovia First United Methodist check out their website: firstunitedmethodistchurchofliberia.org. Outreach committee will be reviewing our covenant and reporting to the congregation what areas currently need our support. The members of Monrovia continue to pray daily for our congregation.

2009 Summer Youth and Children's ministry a huge blessing! That is the headline that sums up this past summer.

June was hopping with FROG Week!

We had 15 youth participate in community service projects including cleaning all the toys at the church. At World Medical Relief these middle school youth filled toiletry kits for homeless shelters. We worked at the Gleaners food bank packing food and at Cass community center doing grounds work. The youth got to see what a difference serving others could really make. It was a powerful reminder that we are called to reach out in Christian love. We enjoyed touring Ford Field and going swimming at the Parker's and Turner's homes as part of our recreation time.

July was time to hit the road! Our group of 32 Sr. High students and adults traveled to Sullivan, Illinois to attend a work camp. We worked on teams with others from across the country doing home repairs for elderly and low income families. It was an extremely moving trip. The community was very welcoming and the outpouring of love was amazing. Our adult leaders were a great team and the youth once again proved how capable and compassionate they are. It was one of the best mission trips ever!

August brought happy campers to our CampEdge Vacation Bible School. We welcomed 52 children along with some guests to learn Bible stories and songs and to have fun at church! We had of 30 youth and adults help to make this VBS a faith-filled week. The campfire sing-a-long and s'mores on Thursday evening was well attended by the families and everybody enjoyed toasting marshmallow in front of the church!

Church is alive and well during the summer months in the hearts and hands of our young people!

Thanks from the Trustees!

Paul Clark has been one busy worker throughout the entire summer, but especially now, as his time begins to wind down. Tile has been replaced, cove base re-glued, pews have been secured so they don't "rock," theatre seats have been replaced, and many other small, but not forgotten tasks around the entire church have been finished. If you see a new bulletin board, Paul Clark probably



put it up, possibly with help from Corwin Hanson. New shelving? New tile in the sanctuary and sacristy? Many, many tasks have been accomplished by this very

hardworking volunteer. Make sure you thank Paul Clark the next time you see him.

The Little Red Book

Do you know why you are asked to sign the little red book known as the Ritual of Friendship pad in the pews?

We watch for any visitors who might have come for the first time. Sue Olesen sends very warm and friendly notes to them.

The church office keeps track of attendance so that we can report our average attendance at the end of the year to our District office.

Announcements for Sunday

It would be appreciated if you have an announcement for Sunday morning that you have it in to the church office by Wednesday noon. If you want it put on the screen, that also gives us time to prepare the slide. Thank you.

If you want a meeting on our calendar, you must contact Lisa Head three weeks in advance. She can also assign you a room for your meeting at that time.

Announcing a New Staff Member

The Staff Parish Relations Committee, in conjunction with an interview committee made up of Rev. Hal, Worship chair Rev. Jane Berquist, Organist Kim Rawlings, choir member Cheryl Barnes, Bell Choir Director Sheryl Dukes, and SPRC chair, Michelle Freeman, happily announce the hiring of a new Music Director! (We were blessed with two super candidates, happy to say!)

Steve Kosinski is Coordinator of the Performing and Visual Arts Program in the Waterford School District. His background includes serving as the Director of Music at North Congregational Church, Farmington Hills, at St. Gerald R.C. Church, Farmington, First United Methodist Church, Midland, and First Baptist Church of Ferndale.

He was also Director of Creative and Performing Arts in the Livonia Public Schools for ten years. He has appeared on Broadway, in some daytime serials, and currently may be heard in some commercials for several local entities such as the Detroit News, Big Boy and Michigan State Lottery, to name a few.

He has also been a baritone soloist in various productions over the years.

Steve is married to wife Lynn, they have four children and they live in West Bloomfield. While Steve will be joining our staff, he and his family will remain members of their home church.

While we will certainly miss Cyndi Peltonen as our Music Director and wish her well in her new position, we are excited to have such a qualified person take over the leadership of the music program! Please welcome Steve when you have a chance---he says that if anyone would like to join the choir, even for a couple of months at a time, or for a particular season or cantata, he would love it, so be sure to let him know if you're interested!!!

SOS — What a great week!

What a wonderful week we experienced with our South Oakland Shelter guests. We hosted an average of 30 guests per night. The 152+ volunteers logged in over 1118 hours. What a great ministry! The guests shared fellowship, meals, theatre time, recreation time, quiet time, along with lots of laughs and joys during the week (August 16-23). The guests were very complimentary of our wonderful facility. They especially liked the showers and the friendly atmosphere. We were able to once again house the male guests all in one room. They liked the idea of having a private bathroom in their room and being right next to the showers. We used 5 rooms for the female guests and children in the upstairs education wing. The women had plenty of room and each area was air conditioned for our guests' comfort. A huge thank you goes out to our very dedicated volunteers. This program is a great success because of YOU! Thank you to those of you who were able to share your time during the week. Whether you picked up mattresses, drove, prepared a meal, spent the night, made beds, did laundry, mingled with the guests and/or donated money or items to this great cause, your presence was definitely felt. If you didn't get the chance to serve during the week, please try to make time next year -you will not be sorry. The dates have been set for August 15-22, 2010. Mark your calendars! Thank you!

*Julie Olsavsky, Kathy Sobanski and
Gary Williams, Jr.,
Co-Chairpersons, SOS Committee*

Our volunteers for the week were:

Abbey, Ken
Alling, Duane
Aurand, Scott, Patty, Andrew,
Victoria & Christian
Bagchi, Swapna
Barnes, Paul & Cheryl
Bauer, Mark & Carole
Bauman, George & Joyce
Berard, Joyce
Blair, Martha
Brookhart, Hannah
Bryson, Scott
Byrd, Ed, Lisa & Ryan
Castro, Amalia
Chamberlain, Jan
Clark, Paul & Gerda
Clay, Sam & Faith
Conley, Art
Daly, Elizabeth
DeVilling, Chris
Drake, Brian
Dukes, Craig
Durnil, Lois
Ealuright, Shae
Egermann, Jane
Elliott, Gary, Traci, Bryce & Trevor
Fons, Alycia
Freeman, Michelle
Fry, Bernona
Garrett, Jan
Grace, Danielle
Grusnick, Bob
Gullion, Chris
Hanson, Corwin
Head, Ken & Lisa
Henn, Joyce
Hervey, Graham
Himes, Bob

Horning, JoAnn
Huegge, Erik
Kalvoda, Betty
King, John & Sherry
Klungle, Roger & Donna
LaCombe, Jason
Lal, Hilda & Jessica
LaLonde, Joshua
Leverenz, Mike, Marie, Kurt &
Elise
Lypen, Julia
MacDonald, June
Macwan, Atul & Meena
Martin, Janice & Emily
Matthews, Lauren
Meek, Lynne, Melissa & Joe
Meyers, Gail
Michael, LaNae
Miller, Maria
Moore, Jessica
Myladoor, Sharon
Olesen, Bent & Susan
Olsavsky, Steve, Julie, Anna &
Kara
Ostergaard, Robin
Ostrander, Katreina & Meghan
Parker, Dick
Peacock, Jan
Peltonen, Cyndi
Pettit, Katelyn
Phillips, Beth
Pritchett, Terry & Judy
Reid, Lois
Rivera, Sandy, Jennifer & Joe
Sadlier, Ashley
Saeger, Jayne
Sands, Sandy
Schultz, Bunny
Smith, Doug
Sobanski, Kathy
Steiger, Megan

Stevens, Tom & Ann
Stone, Art & Judy
Stover, Jeff, Sharon & Katie
Swails, Tyler
Tincknell, Judy
Turner, Scott, Michelle, Brooke, Nic
& Mara
Urbach, Laurie
Urwiller, Kimberlee
VanGorder, Keith & Ethan
Voight, Drew & Rachel
Vos, Clarence & Maren
Walker, Aaron
Watson, Marie
Weemhoff, Hal
Wells, Jermaine
Whitford, Bob
Williams, Gary Sr., Diane &
Gary Jr.
Williston, Geoffrey
Wilson, Jim, Meg & Quinn
Wilson, Robert
Witherell, Kirk
Woods, Jill
Wright, Rick & Linda

(Volunteer names were taken directly from sign-in/out sheets. We apologize for any missed names.)

Grandma Cancels Christmas??

A fun-filled musical that takes a look at all those crazy relatives and how it really makes Christmas worth all the work.

Join us for a trip to "Turkeyville" and a great dinner theater matinee show on Saturday, November 14th. Car pooling from the church at 9am and return approximately 6:30pm. Cost is \$35. See Jayne Saeger or give her a call.

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

*** Volunteers needed

Activity	October 4	October 11	October 18	October 25
Greeters	Joel and Jan Garrett	Joyce and George Bauman	Bob and Vivian Grusnick	The Bauer Family
Ushers	Ed Freeland Marie Leverenz Doug Smith Mary Smith	Duane Alling Ben Olesen Tom Stevens Marie Watson	Patti Aurand Chris DeVilling Corwin Hanson Bob Himes	Terry Pritchett Lyle Pushman Roger Steiger Chuck Tincknell
Crucifer	Andrew Aurand Chris Churay	Jessica Abdo Rachel Voight	Annie Drake Jacob Carl	Lauren Duane Derek Miller
Acolytes	Victoria Aurand Alexa DiBartolomeo	Grace Voight Brianne Abdo	Jessica Carl Aaron Goudie	Lauren Matthews Jamie Miller
Sound Engineers	Steve Olsavsky	Rick Wright	Jane Egermann	Kaj Ostergaard
Coffee Hour Hosts				
Monday Counters	Judy Conley Linda DeVilling Bunny Schultz	Joyce Berard Ben Olesen Lee Ann Teagan	Jane Egermann Nancy Heffron Jayne Saeger	Duane Alling Marie Watson Julie Olsavsky
Trustee on Duty	Art Conley Rick Wright	Ralph Truelove	Bill Schaper	LaNae Michael
Altar Flowers			Wedding of Katie Slater and Eric Zaleski	
Jr. Church	Allison Rhoades Music	Lori Ann Rumel Lee Ann Teagan	Michelle Williston	Tom Stevens Lyn Moore
Faith in Action	Remain in Church for Communion	Kelly Gordon	Marie Leverenz	Karen Carl
Nursery (Newborns-Crawlers)	Lisa Michaux Gwen Simon Tina Olesen	Jane Berquist Melissa Meek	Angela DiBartolomeo Chris Knoper	Mary Robertson
Toddlers (Walkers-2s)	Geoffrey Williston Gary Williams	Jessica Urbach	Jennifer Rivera	
3/4 Year Olds	Meena Macwan	Katie Kuiper	Sharon Ostrander Kristen Truelove	Jill Woods Emily Woods

ATTENTION Members and Friends of Troy First

LOGOS is Almost Here!

What is LOGOS?

A nationally recognized church-building Christian program for children and youth from Kindergarten through 8th grade. Children are welcome to bring their guests and friends!

When does LOGOS take place?

Wednesday evenings from 5:00 to 7:15pm beginning Oct. 21, 2009 and running for 8 weeks (excluding Thanksgiving week) The first session includes Children's Christmas Play Practice. The second 10 week session will begin in January and run into March.

Why should my family get involved?

Where else during the week would your child have the opportunity to get together with church

friends and Christian role models to enjoy games, music, skits, projects, Christian character-building lessons and dinner?

How can I get involved?

Forms were sent home to families and there are extras in the office. **Workers of all ages will be needed** to assist in being dinner table hosts and hostesses, Bible study leaders, recreation leaders, cooks, and clean-up crew. Please call Nancy Dolehanty or the church office if you wish to volunteer your time to this worthwhile program.

SIGN UP NOW!

REGISTRATION is due by OCTOBER 1st!