

Upcoming Events

TMW'S RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE

Friday, October 9 & Saturday, October 10, Family Life Center
Donation collection – Thursday, October 8 & Friday, October 9
Details at troymc.org/events

CONNECT LUNCH

October 18, 11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m., Upper Family Life Center
Childcare available. RSVP to bonnie@troymc.org

FALL FEST 2026

Join us for games, treats, prizes, food, & fun!

Sunday, October 25, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m., Family Life Center
To donate or volunteer, email Jenn at jenn@troymc.org

See our website for additional details– troymc.org/events

Worship Order

Prelude: “El Shaddai”	Alicia Shaffer and Connie McBride
Welcome and Prayer	
“O Worship the King”	#73
“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”	#400
Offertory Music: “The Potter’s Hand”	Chancel Choir
“Glory Be to the Father”	#70
Scripture: Genesis 12:1-3	
Message:	Marissa Rushik
Long Story Short: Israel	
Communion	
<i>If you would like Communion but are unable to come forward, please ask an usher for assistance</i>	
“Take My Life, and Let It Be”	#399
Benediction	
Postlude	

Message Notes

October 4, 2026

Long Story Short: Israel

Genesis 12:1-3

Introduction: Sin and God's Rescue Plan

- The sin problem: Cain and Abel (Genesis 4), the flood (Genesis 6-9), the tower of Babel (Genesis 11)
- God's plan: To create a special people to bless the entire world.

Abraham and Jacob

- God called Abraham's family for the sake of the world. (Genesis 12:1-3)
- God initiated and maintained the covenant even when his people fell short. (Genesis 15)
- God gave his people a new identity – Israel. (Genesis 32, 35)

Egypt and Exodus

- Israel knew what it was to be oppressed. (Exodus 1)
- Israel was saved and delivered by God. (Exodus 6-14)

Interlude: The Law

The uniqueness of their culture set Israel apart from the world and pointed people to God – even when their actions didn't.

Kings and kingdoms

- Building a kingdom brought Israel further from God. (1 Samuel 8)
- The values of worldly kingdoms didn't line up with God's plan. (Jeremiah 22)

Prophets and Exile

- Failing to follow God had dire consequences for Israel – exile, foretold by God's prophets. (Isaiah 5, Jeremiah 25, etc.)
- A remnant of Israel repented and were allowed to return to the land. (Ezra 1, Nehemiah 1)

Epilogue: Longing for Messiah

- "How would God's original promise... be fulfilled?"
- Ultimately, the rescue plan still needs rescuing – through Jesus!