

Upcoming Events

BACK-TO-SCHOOL BUBBLE BASH

Lots of outdoor activities! Slip 'n slide, foam machine, & more!

TODAY, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Visit troymc.org/kids for more information

J.O.Y. SEEKERS (55+) AUGUST LUNCH & PROGRAM

Taco bar, paper airplanes, & more!

Tuesday, August 25, noon, Family Life Center

To RSVP, call the office at (618) 667-6241

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

Worship Order

Prelude	Bell Choir
Welcome and Prayer	
“To God Be the Glory”	#98
“Grace Greater than Our Sin”	#365
Offertory	Bell Choir
Doxology	#95
“Hallelujah in the Hard Things”	Special Music
Scripture: Hebrews 11:32-40	
Message:	Pastor Bonnie Abel
Christianity Isn't Fair!	
“It Is Well with My Soul”	#377
Benediction	
Postlude	

Message Notes

August 23, 2026

Christianity Isn't...Fair!

Hebrews 11:32-40

Fair Christianity is the belief that when you surrender your life to Christ, then God will automatically fix everything in your life, and then life will be fair.

Why is Fair Christianity so attractive?

- We think fair means equal or just
- We think if we get our version of fair, then everyone else can get their version of fair as well, and we'll all be happy
- We think fair is our best option

What does the word FAIR mean?

The Problem with Fair Christianity? Our fair doesn't equal God's best!

The truth is that we don't want fair! We are offered the free gift of God's grace, given to us by the work of the cross, bought by the blood of Christ! That's not fair; that's the unconditional love and outpouring of grace we receive from Christ alone! Hallelujah!

Reflection Questions:

Am I ready to admit my need for a Savior, and let go of my desire for life to be fair?

Is there anything that I need to pray about with a pastor or journey group leader this week in order to release it to God? (If so, please reach out to your journey group leader or our pastoral staff this week!)