



## Welcome to Troy Methodist Church!

### New to TMC?

We invite you on a journey with Jesus...

**Connect** to God and our faith community.

**Grow** into a wholehearted follower of Jesus.

**Serve** with your God-given gifts and passions.

**Share** God's love regionally and globally.

Worship God in everything you say and do.

*Stop by the Welcome Center after service to pick up a gift!*



*Point your phone camera at the QR code to connect!*

### Upcoming Events

*1/21 Connect Lunch*

*1/23 Joy Seekers Chili Cookoff*

## Message Notes

January 21, 2024

### **Acts Part 4 - The Way: All Things**

Acts 15:36-16:5

#### **The Failure of John Mark:**

- Acts 13:13 - John Mark abandoned Paul and Barnabas during their first missionary journey
- Acts 15:37-38 - Barnabas wanted to take John Mark on the second journey, Paul did not - it led to their parting of ways

*What do we do when a Christ follower falls short/fails/stumbles?*

*What do we do when we fall short/fail/stumble?*

- Confess your sin and receive God's forgiveness
- Accept responsibility for your actions and move forward faithfully
  - Don't run away from God or the church!
- Ask God and trust that He will redeem our past failures for his glory and our good.

#### **The Redemption of John Mark**

- Barnabas took John Mark with him - Acts 15:39 (to the same place where he abandoned them before)
- At some point John Mark became reconciled to Paul (he's mentioned in Paul's later letters: Colossians 4:10, Philemon 24, and 2 Timothy 4:11)
- At some point John Mark became a spiritual son to Peter (he's mentioned in 1 Peter 5:13)
- John Mark authored the first gospel (likely from Peter's recollections) - the book of Mark