

## Upcoming Events

### **BISHOP VISITS GMC CONFERENCE**

Monday, December 1, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Family Life Center  
*Visit [troymc.org/events](http://troymc.org/events) for details*

### **WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS BRUNCH**

Saturday, December 6, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m., Family Life Center  
*Final week of ticket sales! See [troymc.org/events](http://troymc.org/events) for details*

### **CONNECT LUNCH**

Sunday, December 7, 11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m., Upper FLC  
*Questions – email Bonnie – [bonnie@troymc.org](mailto:bonnie@troymc.org)*

### **GINGERBREAD BASH**

*Open to all kids & their families!*

Sunday, December 7, 4:00 – 5:30 p.m., Family Life Center  
*Details at [troymc.org/kids](http://troymc.org/kids)*

**See our website for additional details– [troymc.org/events](http://troymc.org/events)**

## **Message Notes**

November 30, 2025

**Pause, Slow Down to Receive More:**

Matthew 2:1-6

**How did the Magi find Jesus despite traveling from afar and yet Herod missed Jesus right under his nose?**

- The Magi - outsiders, foreigners, different worship customs, no access to the Scriptures, YET,
  - They earnestly sought God
  - They paused to look for God
- Herod - insider, Jewish, had the Scriptures, YET
  - Did not seek God in any way

**God's general will for your life:**

- To be reconciled to God through grace made available through Jesus' death on the cross
- To follow Jesus and his ways
- To be transformed and live out God's mission in this world

Encouragement: Pause to earnestly seek God even if you feel like an outsider.

Warning: Don't get caught up in your own stuff that you miss what God is doing right in front of you.

*You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.* (Jeremiah 29:13)

**Baptisms:**

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