

# **Welcome to Troy United Methodist Church!**

# New to Troy UMC?

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.



Point your phone camera at the QR code to connect!

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

- Grab a box(es) for Operation Christmas Child and/or a brown box for hurricane relief collections. Return them to the front of the worship area between now and November 20th.
- Bring Share Thanksgiving items on November 20th!

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# Message Notes

November 6, 2022

**God Can: Change Our Hearts** 

Nehemiah 8:1-9:38

#### **Background:**

- 587 BC God's people begin exile
- 538 BC Zerubbabel leads Jews back to rebuild the temple
- 458 BC Ezra leads Jews back to re-establish life under God's law
- 444 BC Nehemiah and the people complete the wall

### **Who was Ezra?** (Ezra 7:6, 10; Nehemiah 8:1+)

- A Scribe teacher of God's Law
- Devoted to studying God's Word
- Devoted to doing/obeying God's Word
- Devoted to teaching God's Word to Israel

### Why did the people weep? (Nehemiah 8:1-9)

- They experienced conviction of sin (Deuteronomy 28:36-37, 41)
- They experienced God's grace (Deuteronomy 30:1-4)
- So much had been lost

"Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."
(Nehemiah 8:10b)

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