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Transformation UMC

"People Helping People Experience a Jesus-centered Life"

4810 State Rd B, Hillsboro, MO 63050

Office hours: Mon, Tues, and Thurs 9-1:00 PM or by appointment

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Worship and Preaching Calendar

Pastor Harold Long (September 05, 2021) (Summer in the Psalms)

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Pastor Harold Long (September 19, 2021) (On Earth As In Heaven)

Social Networks

HUMC Facebook:: @HillsboroUMCMO

TUMC Facebook:: @TransformationUMCMO

Pastor Harold's Facebook: @HaroldEugeneLong

Pastor Harold's Twitter: @haroldelong

Pastor Harold's Instagram: @haroldelong

Pastor Harold's LinkedIn: @haroldelong

Faithlife Community: @https://faithlife.com/hilltran-umc/

Welcome to Hillsboro UMC September 5, 2021

Our Mission

Develop Jesus-centered followers committed to sharing God's love in a Jesus-looking way to help change the world.

Our Vision

To create a spiritual community where individuals and families can come as they are, fall in love with Jesus, and have a spiritual experience.

Our Purpose

"People Helping People Experience a Jesus-centered Life"

Welcome, Home

Whatever your faith tradition, beliefs, culture, race, age, or differing abilities, we hope you find healing and acceptance in our kingdom-centered community. Whatever doubts or challenges you may have, we trust you will find the answers to your questions that will help you experience a Jesus-centered life.



Notes:

Announcements

- **HUMC:** Chicken and Dumplings on September 11, 2021. The team will need help starting Wednesday, September 08 thru Saturday, September 11. Please contact Stefanie for more information or to volunteer at 314-223-8057 or walf1wr@aol.com.
- **HUMC:** Workday on Saturday, September 11, starting promptly at 8:00 am until Noon, with lunch afterward.
- **HUMC & TUMC:** Afghanistan Refugee Supply Drive. Watch for more information to follow. HUMC will be the drop-off location.
- **HUMC & TUMC:** Thank you to everyone for their patience and understanding with the COVID protocols our leadership team had to implement to keep our kingdom community as safe as possible.
- **HUMC:** Leadership Meeting on Thursday, September 9, 2021 at 6:30 pm.
- **TUMC:** Leadership Meeting on Sunday, September 12, 2021, immediately after church.
- **TUMC:** House Springs Food Pantry donations are due the last Sunday of each month.
- **HUMC & TUMC:** Women's group is forming and starting on Thursday, September 16 at 6:00 pm. Dinner and childcare are included. All women are encouraged to attend, please invite others outside our kingdom family to join.
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Prayers & Concerns

- **TUMC:** Jim Aubuchon navigating home health care.
- **TUMC:** Charlotte Ronne recovering from hip replacement.
- **HUMC & TUMC:** Unspoken prayers.
- **HUMC:** Greg Beiber navigating his treatments.
- **HUMC:** Lynn Cunningham still up and down with health issues.
- **HUMC:** Ron and Dorothy Bradly navigating Dorothy's health challenges.
- **HUMC:** Mary Baumgartner moving to assisted living at the Villa's in DeSoto.
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- **HUMC:** Gary's brother DeWayne
- **TUMC:** Martha Bellers visiting in CA and having health issues.
- **HUMC:** Nick's Aunt who has serious cancer.
- **HUMC:** Suzie's co-worker (Melanie) is in ICU at SLU for COVID.
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The Inescapable God

To the leader. Of David. A Psalm.

- ¹ O LORD, you have searched me and known me.
² You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.
³ You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways.
⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue,
O LORD, you know it completely.
⁵ You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.
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- ⁷ Where can I go from your spirit?
Or where can I flee from your presence?
⁸ If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.
⁹ If I take the wings of the morning
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,
¹⁰ even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me fast.
¹¹ If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me,
and the light around me become night,"
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that I know very well.
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when I was being made in secret,
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.
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In your book were written
all the days that were formed for me,
when none of them as yet existed.
¹⁷ How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God!
How vast is the sum of them!
¹⁸ I try to count them—they are more than the sand;
I come to the end^[a]—I am still with you.

¹⁹ O that you would kill the wicked, O God,
and that the bloodthirsty would depart from me—
²⁰ those who speak of you maliciously,
and lift themselves up against you for evil!^[b]
²¹ Do I not hate those who hate you, O LORD?
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²² I hate them with perfect hatred;
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test me and know my thoughts.
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and lead me in the way everlasting.^[d]

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