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# **Transformation UMC**

Kingdom People Helping People Find and Follow Jesus 4869 Scottsdale Rd. House Springs, MO 63051 Office hours: Wednesday 9-1:00 PM or by appointment B: (636) 671-0876 / email: pastor@hilltran.org

# **Worship and Preaching Calendar**

Pastor Harold Long (October 3, 2021) (On Earth As In Heaven) Pastor Harold Long (October 10, 2021) (On Earth As In Heaven) Special Guest Speaker (October 17, 2021) (Testimony Sunday)

#### **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/

Website: www.hilltran.org

# Welcome to Transformation UMC October 3, 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.



|   | Order of Praise, Worship, and Teaching  | Notes: |
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| Oı  | pening Video: Welcome To Worship  |        |
| Oı  | pening Song: "Blessed Assurance"  |        |
| W   | elcome and Announcements: (Liturgist)   |        |
| Oı  | pening Prayer: (See the screen) / (Liturgist)   |        |
| Of  | ffering: Online @ www.hilltran.org/online-giving / (Liturgist)  |        |
| Jo  | ys and Concerns: Pastor Harold Long   |        |
| So  | ong: "This is Amazing Grace"  |        |
| *S  | ong: "Build My Life"  |        |
| *S  | cripture Readings: Matthew 18:21-35; 13:47-50; 13:31-33   |        |
| *N  | Message: "The Kingdom of God is Like " Pastor Harold Long   |        |
| Lord's Prayer & Communion: Pastor Harold Long |   |        |
| *Song: "Everlasting God"                      |   |        |
| *Song: "Shine Jesus Shine"                    |   |        |
| *Sending Forth: (See Screen)                  |   |        |
| * =   | = (Rise in Posture)   |        |
|   | Today's Reflection Questions: (Individual or Small Group)   |        |
| 1.  | Matthew 18:21-35 - Jesus says that the Kingdom of Heaven is like this king. What does that tell us about God.                     |        |
| 2.  | What does it look like to be "radically forgiving?"   |        |
| 3.  | <b>Matthew 13:47-50</b> - How is the Kingdom of Heaven like a net that catches EVERYTHING?  |        |
| 4.  | What does it mean to be "radically welcoming?"  |        |
| 5.  | <b>Matthew 3:31-33</b> - What did Jesus mean by this parable? How is the Kingdom like something that turns into something bigger? |        |
| 6.  | What does it look like to be "radically peaceful?"  |        |
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