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## Hillsboro UMC

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## Worship and Preaching Calendar

- Christmas Eve at 6:00 PM (The Manifestation of the GOAT)
- Christmas Day (The Final Message of Our Advent Series)
- January 1, 2023 (How to Grow Spiritually in 2023)

**HUMC Facebook:** @HillsboroUMCMO

**TUMC Facebook:** @TransformationUMCMO

**Pastor Harold's Facebook:** @HaroldEugeneLong

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

**Website:** www.hilltran.org

**Questions:** ask@hilltran.org

# Welcome to Hillsboro UMC Christmas Eve 2022

### Our Mission

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

### Our Vision

Our vision is to create a spiritual community where individuals and families can come as they are, fall in love with Jesus, and have a spiritual awakening.

### Our Purpose

"We are 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 Jesus-centered community. Whatever doubts, questions, or challenges you may have, we hope you will discover the answers you are searching for and experience a Jesus-centered life.



# Order of Praise, Worship, and Teaching

**Opening Video:** “Christmas Eve Welcome”

**Bringing In The Light:** “Do You Hear What I Hear”

**\*Call to Worship:** Liturgist

**\*Opening Prayer:** Liturgist

**\*Lighting of the Advent Candles** (Instrumental)

**Announcements:** Liturgist

**Christmas Eve Prayer:** Pastor Harold Long

**\*Opening Christmas Carol:** “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

**\*Welcome Your Kingdom Family:** (Due to the recent spike with COVID, Influenza, HRSV, and NREVSS, we will give each other “Holy High-Fives” and avoid unnecessary contact until things improve.)

**First Scripture Readings:** Isaiah 9:2-7 (The Message Bible)

**Song:** “Oh Holy Night”

**\*Second Scripture Readings:** Luke 2:1-20 (The Message Bible)

**Sermon Bumper Video:** (Advent Video Series)

**Message:** “The Manifestation of the GOAT”- Pastor Harold Long

**Christmas Carol:** “Away in the Manger”

**Special Offering:** Online @ [www.hilltran.org/online-giving](http://www.hilltran.org/online-giving) (Liturgist)

**Christmas Carol:** “Mary Did You Know”

**\*Kingdom Carryout:** Pastor Harold Long

**\*Sending Forth:** Go in peace and be the *CHRIST* in CHRISTmas.

**\*Closing Christmas Carol:** “Silent Night” (By Candle Light)

**\* = Please Rise**

**Connection Cards:** (Connection cards are available in the back of the chairs or at the information desk in the narthex. Please complete or update your information and place it in the offering plate at the altar before you leave church.)

# Reflection Questions

- Who is the GOAT in your life? GOAT = Greatest of All Time.
- Why did God have to manifest God’s divinity first as a fetus and then as a Sinless Savior?
- What needs to change in your relationship with God?
- What are you willing to do to improve your relationship with God as we prepare to enter the new year?
- What doubts, questions or conceptions of God have you been resistant to or perplexed?
- How can we help? Let us know; please email us at [ask@hilltran.org](mailto:ask@hilltran.org).
- Are you looking to join a Jesus-centered church and develop authentic relationships with people who aren’t really into church but instead into enjoying a Kingdom family and doing life together? We are people helping people experience a Jesus-centered life, and we would love for you to join our Kingdom family. For more information on how to connect, email us at [info@hilltran.org](mailto:info@hilltran.org) or complete the connection card.

## Notes

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