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Hillsboro UMC

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Worship and Preaching Calendar

- Christmas Day (A Jesus-looking God)
- January 1, 2023 (How to Grow Spiritually in 2023)
- January 8, 2023 (Spiritual Giants Series)

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 Day 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: *“Special Christmas Video”*

Bringing In The Light: *“It’s a Christmas Medley”*

Lighting of the Advent Candles

Welcome and Announcements: Liturgist

***Call to Worship:** Liturgist

***Opening Prayer:** Liturgist

***Opening Christmas Carol:** *“Hark the Herald Angels Sing”*

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Harold Long

***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.)*

Christmas Carol: *“The First Noel”*

Scripture Readings: Hebrews 1:1-4 (NLT)

Sermon Bumper Video: *(Special Sermon Bumper Video)*

Message: *“A Jesus-looking God”*- Pastor Harold Long

***Christmas Carol:** *“Joy, Unspeakable Joy”*

***Doxology:** *“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”*

Offering: Online @ www.hilltran.org/online-giving (Liturgist)

***Kingdom Carryout:** Pastor Harold Long

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

***Closing Christmas Carol:** *“Go Tell It On a Mountain”*

*** = 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.)*

*“I will honor Christmas in my heart,
and try to keep it all the year.”*

– Charles Dickens

Reflection Questions

- How would you define Jesus? Human, divine, hybrid, etc.?
- What was your most memorable moment this Christmas? What was your greatest challenge?
- How much did you struggle with materialism and consumerism this holiday season?
- If the spotlight of truth was focused on you this past holiday season, would you be accused of being an idolator?
- If you took a personal inventory for 2022, what areas of your life need improvement? What victories can you celebrate?
- How can we help you grow spiritually? Let us know; please email us at 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. Please email us at info@hilltran.org or complete the connection card for more information on how to connect.

Notes

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