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Hillsboro UMC

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Worship and Preaching Calendar

- November 27, 2022 - (Advent Series Starts)
- December 4, 2022 - (Advent Series)
- December 11, 2022 - (Advent Series)
- December 18, 2022 - (Advent 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

November 27, 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: *“Welcome To Church?”*

Bringing In The Light: *“My Jesus”*

Opening Prayer: Liturgist

Announcements: Liturgist

Connection Cards: *(Connection cards are available at the welcome desk.*

Please complete the card and place it in the offering bucket on your way out of church.)

Offering: Online @ www.hilltran.org/online-giving/ *(Give Cheerfully)*

Joys and Concerns: Pastor Harold Long

***Opening Song:** *“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”*

***Welcome Your Kingdom Family:** *(Waive, Hug, Shake Hands, Fist -Pump, or Holy High-Five, whatever you are comfortable with.)*

Song: *“Reckless Love”*

Scripture Readings: John 1:1-18 (CEB)

Sermon Bumper Video: *(Advent Video Series)*

Message: *“A Jesus-centered Christmas”* - Pastor Harold Long

***Song:** *“Good, Good Father”*

Closing Song: *“O Come, O Come, Emanuel”*

Kingdom Carryout

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

“God's kingdom” in the preaching of Jesus refers not to postmortem destiny, not to our escape from this world into another one, but to God's sovereign rule coming “on earth as it is in heaven.” ~ N. T. Wright

Today’s Reflection Questions

- How would you describe Advent to someone?
- Why did Jesus come in the first place?
- Who or what is “THE WORD”? (John 1:1-18)
- Why did Jesus come as a fetus and not as a undeniable force?
- How has Christmas changed from when you were a child?
- How can you make this the BEST Christmas ever?
- How commercialized is your Christmas? Be honest!
- Would Jesus endorse your approach to Christmas?
- What needs to change in 2022 when it comes to the depth and weight of your commitment to living a Jesus-centered Christmas?

Notes

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