

## CONTACT US

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## Worship and Preaching Calendar

- November 26, 2023 - *"Reconciling the Holidays"* 2 Cor 5:11-21
- December 3, 2023 - Advent Series Starts - Special Guest Speaker
- December 10, 2023 - Advent Series Part II

## Social Networks

**HUMC Facebook:** @HillsboroUMCMO

**TUMC Facebook:** @TransformationUMCMO

**YouTube:** <https://www.youtube.com/c/HillTranMinistries>

**Join Our Faithlife Community:** @<https://faithlife.com/hilltran-umc/>

**Website:** [www.hilltran.org](http://www.hilltran.org)

**Questions:** ask@hilltran.org

**Prayer Request:** prayer@hilltran.org

## Welcome to Transformation Church

**November 26, 2023**

### 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

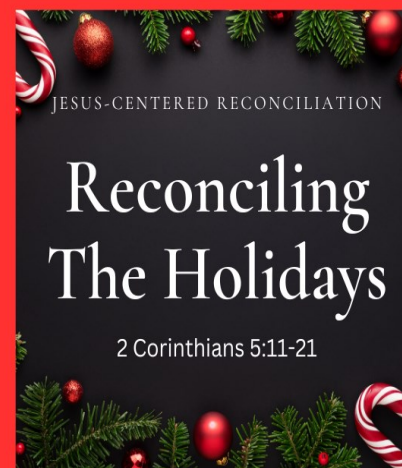
Our vision is to create a spiritual community where individuals and families can come as they are, fall in love with Jesus, have a spiritual awakening, and rediscover life.

### Our Purpose

*"We are People Helping People Experience a Jesus-centered Life"*

### Welcome Home

Whatever your faith tradition, beliefs, culture, race, past, age, or differing abilities, we hope you find healing and acceptance in our Jesus-centered community. Whatever doubts, questions, or challenges you may have about God and spirituality, we hope you discover the truth about God, have a spiritual awakening, and experience a Jesus-centered life. We are excited you are here and truly wish to connect with you wherever you are in stream of life.



## Order of Praise, Worship, and Teaching

**Opening Video:** “Give Thanks To The Lord”

**Bringing in the Light Song:** “TBD”

**Welcome and Announcements:** Liturgist

**\*Call to Worship:** Liturgist

**\*Opening Prayer:** Liturgist

**\*Song:** “TBD”

**Sharing of Prayers and Joys:** Pastor Harold

**\*Sharing The Peace**

**\*Scripture Reading:** - 2 Corinthians 5:11-21 - Liturgist-

**Sermon Bumper Video:** *We Are A New Creation*

**Message:** “Reconciling The Holidays” - Pastor Harold

**Song:** “TBD”

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

**\*Sending Forth:** Pastor Harold

**\*Closing Song:** “TBD”

**\* = Please Rise in Posture**

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*"In the end, reconciliation is a spiritual process, which requires more than just a legal framework. It has to happen in the hearts and minds of people." ~ Nelson Mandela*

*"Emphasize reconciliation, not resolution. It is unrealistic to expect everyone to agree about everything. Reconciliation focuses on the relationship, while resolution focuses on the problem. When we focus on reconciliation, the problem loses significance and often becomes irrelevant." ~ Rick Warren*

*"Reconciliation is more beautiful than victory."  
~ Violeta Chamorro*

## 2 Corinthians 5:11-21 (CEB)

### Ministry of reconciliation

<sup>11</sup> So we try to persuade people, since we know what it means to fear the Lord. We are well known by God, and I hope that in your heart we are well known by you as well. <sup>12</sup> We aren't trying to commend ourselves to you again. Instead, we are giving you an opportunity to be proud of us so that you could answer those who take pride in superficial appearance, and not in what is in the heart.

<sup>13</sup> If we are crazy, it's for God's sake. If we are rational, it's for your sake. <sup>14</sup> The love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: one died for the sake of all; therefore, all died. <sup>15</sup> He died for the sake of all so that those who are alive should live not for themselves but for the one who died for them and was raised.

<sup>16</sup> So then, from this point on we won't recognize people by human standards. Even though we used to know Christ by human standards, that isn't how we know him now. <sup>17</sup> So then, if anyone is in Christ, that person is part of the new creation. The old things have gone away, and look, new things have arrived!

<sup>18</sup> All of these new things are from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and who gave us the ministry of reconciliation. <sup>19</sup> In other words, God was reconciling the world to himself through Christ, by not counting people's sins against them. He has trusted us with this message of reconciliation.

<sup>20</sup> So we are ambassadors who represent Christ. God is negotiating with you through us. We beg you as Christ's representatives, "Be reconciled to God!" <sup>21</sup> God caused the one who didn't know sin to be sin for our sake so that through him we could become the righteousness of God.

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- Holy Land, Iran, Ukraine, North Korea, Russia, NATO, EU, The Middle East, China, USA, Maui fire victims, and the rest of the world. The political landscape of America. Prayers for our shut-in members. People living on the margins, who are wounded, excluded, and suffering in any way. The unhoused in our communities, especially in St. Louis City & Jefferson County. For the countless shooting victims and to an end to violence around the world, especially in the Holy Land. Everyone impacted by an illnesses or accidents of any kind, especially cancer, COVID, and MS, & the many unspoken prayers.
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