



What child  
is this?

*December 17, 2023*

**HODGES BOULEVARD  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**

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**ENJOY + ENGAGE + EQUIP**

# Order of Worship

<b>*SONGS OF PRAISE</b>		Faith + 1
<b>WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		Jonathan Swanson
<b>CHORAL PRAISE</b>		Traditions Choir
<b>ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING</b>		Seiler Family
<b>*HYMN OF PRAISE</b>	<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i>	#113
<b>RECOGNIZING MALINDA HARRIS</b>		
<b>CHILDREN'S TIME</b>		Dianah Bradshaw
	(Children through 5th grade may exit)	
<b>CALL TO CONFESSION</b>	1 John 1:8-9	Jordan Kennison
	<i>If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.</i>	
<b>PRAYER OF CONFESSION</b>		
	<i>Let us pray to the Lord.</i>	
	<b>God of peace, hear our prayer.</b>	
	<i>The impatience and irritability we feel for one another,</i>	
	<b>We confess to you, O Lord.</b>	
	<i>The jealousies we have cultivated for our neighbor and their things,</i>	
	<b>We confess to you, O Lord.</b>	
	<i>Our inability to make space for those in need,</i>	
	<b>We confess to you, O Lord.</b>	
	<i>The ways we convince ourselves we do not have enough time, money, or things:</i>	
	<b>We confess to you, O Lord. . .</b> (moments of silence)	
<b>ASSURANCE</b>		1 Peter 2:24
	<i>He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.</i>	

*\*All who are able may stand*

**\*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS**

*Advent Doxology*

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

*Family of God*

(Please remain standing and pass the peace of Christ.)

**OFFERING & MUSICAL OFFERING**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Isaiah 55:10-11

Jordan Kennison

*For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, . . . so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. Amen.*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Isaiah 9:6-7

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**

Colossians 1:15-20

**SERMON**

What Child Is This?: All Our Hopes

**SONG OF RESPONSE**

*The Perfect Gift*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**\*CLOSING PRAISE**

*Joy to the World*

#134

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

**\*BLESSING**

Isaiah 9:6-7

*For a child has been born for us, a son given to us, . . . and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. . . . The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this. Amen.*

**\*PARTING MUSIC**

## Welcome Guests

We welcome all who are worshiping with us today. If you are our guest, we pray that your experience will nurture your faith and that you feel welcome in this community of faith.

**Nursery:** Available from 9:45 –11:15 am

**Children's Worship:** K-5th Grades

After the Children's Time during the service, volunteers will escort the children from worship to the Fellowship Hall for special stories and activities geared just for them. Parents may pick them up after worship.

## Calendar

Sunday, December 17 <b>3rd Sunday in Advent</b>	9:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 11:15 am	Bible Year Study Group Worship Congregational Meeting Children's Ministry Meeting
Monday, December 18	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Youth Serve at Mission House Scouts
Tuesday, December 19	12:00 pm 7:00 pm	PW Afternoon Circle PW Evening Circle
Wednesday, December 20	7:30 am 6:30 pm	Bibles and No Bagels (Zoom) Choir Practice

## Remember in Prayer

Nancy Gonzalez (Crystal Phillips' mother)

Margo Grout

Judy Klein

Brant Newland

Betty Phillips

George Ross

Scott Welch

*Please complete the welcome card located in your bulletin and place it the offering plate.*