

What Child Is This?



December 24, 2023

**HODGES BOULEVARD
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

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ENJOY + ENGAGE + EQUIP

Order of Worship

- *SONGS OF PRAISE** Faith + 1
- WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Jonathan Swanson
- CHORAL PRAISE** Traditions Choir
- ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING** Richard & Jana Bobo
- *HYMN OF PRAISE** *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear* #123
- CHILDREN'S TIME** Diana Bradshaw
(Children through 5th grade may exit)
- CALL TO CONFESSION** Exodus 34:6-7 Mike Steve
The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for the thousandth generation, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin.
- PRAYER OF CONFESSION**
For the single-minded rush to get things done,
In your mercy, forgive us, O God.
For our obsession with trivial details,
In your mercy, forgive us, O God.
For the financial burdens we place on ourselves,
In your mercy, forgive us, O God.
For our cynicism that freezes our faith and our actions,
In your mercy, forgive us, O God.
Draw us back to the God of love, who came to us,
To free us from the sin in our lives. . . (moments of silence)
- ASSURANCE** Psalm 32:1-2
Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity.

**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

Hosea 6:3

Mike Steve

Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Samuel 2:1-4

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 1:46-52

SERMON

What Child Is This?: A Transformer

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

#119

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**

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***BLESSING**

Luke 1:32-33

He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High . . . and of his kingdom there will be no end. Amen.

***PARTING MUSIC**

Welcome Guests

We welcome all who are worshipping 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 24 Christmas Eve	9:00 am 10:00 am 7:00 pm	Bible Year Study Group Worship Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
December 25 - January 1		Church Office Closed

Flowers today are dedicated to the glory of God and . . .

*In memory of
Claude & Mary Harper
by Chuck & Alice Harper*



*In memory of
Randy & Mary Jane Gutshall
by Dan Gutshall*

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.