



### Wednesday Night Programs January 3 7:00 pm

Our 1st & 3rd Wednesday Night program returns January 3 with a study of Hebrews. Ever wonder about this biblical book? There's nothing like it in the rest of the Bible. Why's it written the way that it is? What is it saying? Even more crucial, how is it relevant for my life today? Pastor Jon will lead a deep dive into the text. Come and be changed by what God is saying to us.

### RESERVE YOURS NOW!

Beginning in January, there will be an adult discussion group on faith, Sunday mornings at 9:00 am using *The Present Word*. Delve deeper into the Bible and what it means to us.

Please email Debbie Braden at [zoolife2060@gmail.com](mailto:zoolife2060@gmail.com) to reserve a book.



### End of Year Giving

The end of 2023 is fast approaching. For your tax planning purposes, please ensure that any final donations to the Church are postmarked by December 31 or are included in the offering on Sunday, December 31.

Please keep in mind that the church office is closed

Dec 24-Jan 2 and you will be unable to drop off any donations. Letters postmarked after December 31 or donations hand delivered on January 2 will count for the 2024 tax year. For those who requested envelopes, they can be picked up in the Narhtex office starting December 17.

If you have any questions, please contact Bill Murphy at [bmurphy@hbpcusa.org](mailto:bmurphy@hbpcusa.org) or 904-223-6922.

## SERMON OUTLINE

### **What Child Is This?: A Transformer**

1 Samuel 2:1-4; Luke 1:46-52

December 24, 2023

I. Introduction

II. Series: What Child Is This?

III. The Song of Hannah (1 Sam. 1:2-2:4)

A. Miraculous birth (1:2, 20)

B. Hannah sings an adapted hymn

1. Praises God (2:1)

2. Affirms God transforms the world (2:4)

IV. The Song of Mary (Luke 1:35-52)

A. Miraculous birth (1:35)

B. Mary sings an adapted hymn

1. Praises God (1:46-47)

2. Affirms God transforms the world (1:52)

C. Mary's song echoes Hannah's

V. What child is this? (Luke 1:52)

A. One who creates a future from the impossible

B. How sure? (1:52, verb tenses and aspect)

C. Hannah and Mary are only rehearsals

VI. Conclusion: Charles Wesley (1707-88)

“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” (1739)

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**SERMON NOTES:**

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