



## Traditional Service 11:00 a.m.

### Staff:

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*If you are worshipping in-person this morning, please silence your cell phone.*

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please see our website or contact the church office.*

# We Gather to Worship God

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ Following the guidelines set by the city of Austin for Stage 3, we are continuing to ask all people, both vaccinated and unvaccinated, to wear masks during Sunday worship and in the church office. Visit <https://www.austintexas.gov/page/covid-19-risk-based-guidelines> for more information.
- ❖ Order forms for Christmas poinsettias are now available on the sign-in table or by emailing the church office!

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. JJ Wicke

Leader: Come, let us celebrate the goodness of God.

**People: God has blessed us with God's great love.**

Leader: Let us come to this time, letting go of our worries.

**People: Let us come to this time praising God.**

Leader: Come, now is the time to worship.

**People: We come rejoicing, for God is so good to us. Amen.**

## OPENING HYMN

**"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"**

**UMH #64**

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| 1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!<br>Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.<br>Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,<br>God in three persons, blessed Trinity!                                | 3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,<br>though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,<br>only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,<br>perfect in power, in love and purity. |
| 2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,<br>casting down their golden crowns<br>around the glassy sea;<br>cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,<br>which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be. | 4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!<br>All thy works shall praise thy name,<br>in earth and sky and sea.<br>Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,<br>God in three persons, blessed Trinity.      |

## THE PEACE

[If you are worshipping alongside someone else, take a moment to tell them "Peace be with you" in the name of our Lord. As you do, we invite you to extend your cupped hands toward others who may be with or near you as a sign of offering the peace that Christ gives us. If you are alone, place your cupped hands over your heart, as a sign that you accept the peace God offers you and your willingness to be a bearer of peace in the world.]

**ANTHEM**

**"With a Voice of Singing"**  
Sanctuary Choir

**by Martin Shaw**

## **We Seek to Hear from God**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE READING:** John 18:33-37

**SERMON SERIES:** More Than Enough

**SERMON:** Enough to Live

**Rev. JJ Wicke**

**HYMN OF RESPONSE**

**"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"**

**UMH #175**

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| 1. Jesus, the very thought of thee<br>with sweetness fills the breast;<br>but sweeter far thy face to see,<br>and in thy presence rest. | 3. But what to those who find? Ah, this<br>nor tongue nor pen can show;<br>the love of Jesus, what it is,<br>none but his loved ones know. |
| 2. O hope of every contrite heart,<br>O joy of all the meek,<br>to those who fall, how kind thou art!<br>How good to those who seek!    | 4. Jesus, our only joy be thou,<br>as thou our prize wilt be;<br>Jesus, be thou our glory now,<br>and through eternity.                    |

### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**GLORIA PATRI**

**UMH #70**

## **We Respond to God**

**TIME OF PRAYER**

Joys and Concerns  
Pastoral Prayer

**Dr. Ray Kiser**

## The 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## INVITATION TO GIVE

### DOXOLOGY

UMH #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## We Leave to Serve God in the World

### CLOSING HYMN

*"Crown Him With Many Crowns!"*

UMH #327

1. Crown him with many crowns,  
the Lamb upon his throne.  
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns  
all music but its own.  
Awake, my soul, and sing  
of him who died for thee,  
and hail him as thy matchless King  
through all eternity.

2. Crown him the Lord of life,  
who triumphed o'er the grave,  
and rose victorious in the strife  
for those he came to save.  
His glories now we sing,  
who died, and rose on high,  
who died, eternal life to bring,  
and lives that death may die.

3. Crown him the Lord of peace,  
whose power a scepter sways  
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,  
and all be prayer and praise.  
His reign shall know no end,  
and round his pierced feet  
fair flowers of paradise extend  
their fragrance ever sweet.

4. Crown him the Lord of love;  
behold his hands and side,  
those wounds, yet visible above,  
in beauty glorified.  
All hail, Redeemer, hail!  
For thou hast died for me;  
thy praise and glory shall not fail  
throughout eternity.

### BENEDICTION

Rev. JJ Wicke

### POSTLUDE

## **Northwest Hills UMC Weekly Announcements:** *Upcoming Events & Opportunities*

**Save the Date: Gingerbread Houses:** December 4, 4 pm – 6 pm

### **Join the Choir or Handbells**

The Choirs would like to welcome new members or interested guests of ALL AGES to join us! The Handbell Choir practices on Wednesdays from 5:45pm - 7:15pm, and the Sanctuary Choir rehearses on Wednesdays from 7:15pm to 8:45pm. Please contact our new Director of Traditional Music, Cody Parrott, at [cody@nwhillsumc.org](mailto:cody@nwhillsumc.org) for more information.

### **Library Update:**

The library is no longer accepting any book or DVD donations. There are new FREE books on the cart in the narthex.

### **North Hills Gallery**

The North Hills Gallery has a new show, Transfiguration by Tatiana Nikolova-Houston, through December.

### **Reminders**

We've updated our giving platforms so you can give your tithe or gift more securely and easily than ever: Give Online, PayPal Giving Fund, via Text, via the Church Center App, via Mail, or In-person.

### **Resources/Support**

We have trained Stephen Ministry volunteers standing ready to give you confidential, non-judgmental, empathetic listening and care. If you would like to learn more or request a Stephen Minister, contact Pastor JJ Wicke, at 512-345-1743, Stephen Leaders Diane Coleman at 512-560-1828 or Jim Beck at 512-925-7611.

To submit a prayer request or receive ongoing prayer, contact Connie Ellis at [drclellis@gmail.com](mailto:drclellis@gmail.com)

### **Christmas Poinsettias**

The Flower Committee is once again offering poinsettias! They will adorn the sanctuary during the Christmas season, and may be picked up after the 6:00 pm Christmas Eve service. If you are unable to join us for the Christmas Eve service, you may collect your plant on Sunday, December 26 or during the week from the church office (hours limited the week between Christmas and New Year's Eve).

Poinsettias this year are free, courtesy of the Flower Committee. Donations are, of course, always welcome.

To order your plant, please fill out the order form available on the welcome desk in the narthex (sign-in table) and place them in the collection plate when completed. We have a limited number (48), so request yours soon!

If you are wish to dedicate your poinsettia in memory of honor of a loved one, you MUST request your plant and provide necessary information to Elaina no later than December 17. The list of donors and dedications will be printed in the Christmas Even bulletin and in our weekly newsletter. This can be done on the paper order form on Sunday morning or by emailing [office@nwhillsumc.org](mailto:office@nwhillsumc.org) with the necessary information.