

Prayer Requests

Date: _____

Please pray for:

- I would like this request kept private
- I have the recipient's permission to share this with our prayer team.
- I would like to speak to a pastor
- I would like to join the Prayer Chain

Celebrations

I would like to share the following celebration:

- You may share my celebration

To submit a prayer request or a celebration to our Prayer Team, or to receive ongoing prayer, fill out this prayer card and drop it in the offering plate. You can also contact our Prayer Ministry coordinator, Connie Ellis, at drclellis@gmail.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Upcoming Events & Opportunities

For all event, study, and missions' signups/registrations, go to nwhillsumc.churchcenter.com/registrations or use the QR code at top.

Women's Bible Study Resumes

Our weekly women's bible study will start again for 2025 beginning this Thursday, January 9th. If you are interested in joining reach out to paulettep21@yahoo.com

Men's Breakfast

This Wednesday, January 8th our weekly men's breakfast group is going out to Waterloo Ice House on Burnet road at 7:30am. Meet them there and join for a fun morning of food and fellowship!

Parent's Night Out

Save the date for Parent's Night Out happening Saturday January 11th from 4:00-8:00pm. Registration is open through church center and cost is \$40 per child or \$60 per family. Reach out to heather@nwhillsumc.org with any questions.

January Ramp Build

Join our team in building an accessibility ramp January 11th. To sign up contact Jackie Gardner at jackiegillgardner@gmail.com



WELCOME

Contemporary Worship Service 9:00am

Sunday School (all ages) 10:00am

Traditional Worship Service 11:00am

Nursery 8:45am- 12:00pm

**January 5, 2025
11:00am**

- Senior Pastor:** Rev. J.J. Wicke (jj@nwhillsumc.org)
- Associate Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Ray Kiser (rdkiser@aol.com)
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Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday
9:00 am—12:00 pm
1:00—4:00 pm

Giving platforms:

Use the QR Code to go directly to our secure giving options- online and via text.



This Sunday's floral dedication is to the Glory of God.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *For the Beauty of the Earth* arr. Hal Leonard

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Darkness is banished!

People: God's light has come to us!

Leader: The brightness of the Star leads us!

People: We come to celebrate God's abiding love!

Leader: Glory be to God in the Highest!

People: And on earth, peace forever. Amen.

HYMN *We Three Kings of Orient Are* UMH #254
vv. 1, 2, and 5

OPENING PRAYER

Loving God, who breaks through the darkness of doubt and despair, be with us this day as we hear of the visit of the **Wise Ones**, who risked everything to follow a Star. Let us open our hearts and be willing to risk receiving the gift of gracious Love that you have to offer us in the form of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE PEACE

ANTHEM

WE SEEK TO HEAR FROM GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Matthew 2: 1-12

SERMON *Listening for God* Rev. JJ Wicke

WE RESPOND TO GOD

HYMN *O Little Town of Bethlehem* UMH #230
vv. 1-3

OFFERING

This month our second mile giving focus is the Mens Clothes Closet. The Clothes Closet serves men experiencing homelessness and distributes out of First United Methodist Austin. This meaningful resource seeks to restore dignity and provide hope for the future for men experiencing homelessness in Austin.

DOXOLOGY

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.

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

TIME OF PRAYER Rev. Dr. Ray Kiser

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

HOLY COMMUNION

Leader: And so, in remembrance of these Your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

HYMN *Once in Royal David's City* UMH #250

WE LEAVE TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

HYMN *Go Tell It On the Mountain* UMH #251

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *A Joyful Song* arr. Hugh S. Livingston Jr.

Northwest Hills United Methodist Church

We are glad you are here!

Date: January 5, 2025
Service Attended: 11:00am

Name(s): _____

Children's Name(s): _____

E-mail: _____

Cell: _____

Mailing Address: _____

- 1st Time Guest
- 2nd or 3rd Time Guest
- Regular Guest
- Church Member
- Desire to join (member/baptism)

I/We would like more information about:

- Children's Ministry
- Youth Ministry
- Men's Ministry
- Music Ministry
- Stephen Ministry
- Legacy Giving
- Sunday School Classes
- Missions Opportunities
- On Campus Volunteer Opportunities
- Other: _____

I/We need a new name tag
_____ (name)