CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Worship the Lord in holy splendor; tremble before Him, all the earth.
Psalm 96:9, NRSV

PRELUDE

The Sound of Christmas ................................................................. arr. David T. Clydesdale
HBBC Orchestra

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

David Hailey

INTROIT

Nothing Left to Say ........................................................................... Joseph Martin
Adult Ensemble
Lora Grimes, Soloist

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

CHORAL INTROIT

More Precious than Silver ......................................................... Lynn DeShazo
Chancel Choir

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

Rev. Tom and Betty Bodkin

RESPONSIVE LITANY

Leader: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; the one who
follows me will not walk in darkness but have the light of
life."

People: In Him is life, and the life is the light of all people.
Leader: We light these candles as a sign of the coming of Christ into
our world.
People: He is the promised Messiah, the fulfillment of the law
and prophets.
Leader: He is our eternal sacrifice who died for our sins.
People: He is the King of kings and Lord of lords.
Leader: His kingdom is everlasting.
People: And His love is forever.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: MORE PRECIOUS THAN SILVER

Lord, You are more precious than silver.
Lord, You are more costly than gold.
Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds,
And nothing I desire compares with You.
(Repeat)

*ADVENT PRAYER

King of glory, we long for Your coming. Open our eyes to Your presence.
Enlarge our hearts with Your love. Guide our steps by Your grace. And fill our
lips with Your praise. Come quickly, Lord Jesus. We wait for You expectantly
with faith, hope, and love. Amen.
**CHORAL RESPONSE**

I Stand in Awe.................................................................Altrogge/Larson

*CONGREGATIONAL CAROL NO. 124*

The First Nowell.........................................................arr. Mack Wilberg
Stanza 1: Men, Stanza 2: Women, Stanza 4: All

**CHORAL PRAISE**

O Thou That Tellest.........................................................G. F. Handel
Chancel Choir and Orchestra

**PRESENTATION OF JOHN’S GOSPEL AND EAGLE BANNER**

**REFLECTIONS ON JOHN**

David Hailey

**CHORAL CELEBRATION**

Every Valley .................................................................Joseph Martin
Chancel Choir and Orchestra

**PRESENTATION OF MATTHEW’S GOSPEL AND WINGED MAN BANNER**

**CHORAL MEDITATION**

Splendor of His Holiness...................................................Tom Fettke
Chancel Choir
Marianne Breneman, Clarinet

**REFLECTIONS ON MATTHEW**

David Hailey

*CONGREGATIONAL CAROL NO. 139*

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly...........................................POLISH CAROL

*OFFERTORY PRAYER*

Oksana Abee - College Class

OFFERTORY

Christmas Overture............................................................Camp Kirkland
HBBC Orchestra

**PRESENTATION OF LUKE’S GOSPEL AND WINGED OX BANNER**

**REFLECTIONS ON LUKE**

David Hailey

**CHORAL REFLECTION**

Make My Life a Bethlehem..............................................Craig Courtney
Chancel Choir
Ashley Trantham Saunders, soloist

Make my life a Bethlehem, a manger of my heart.
Let me hear the angels sing and let the music start,
May I fall in simple faith and wonder to my knees,
In the manger of my heart let Christ be born in me...

*(middle section of lyrics omitted)*
Come and sweep this stable clean and swaddle it with light.
And let the Child be born in me upon a starlit night.
For though He’s born a thousand times in far off Bethlehem,
Until the Savior’s born in me I cannot worship Him.

PRESENTATION OF MARK’S GOSPEL AND WINGED LION BANNER

REFLECTIONS ON MARK
David Hailey

CHORAL PRAISE

What Kind of King? ........................................................................................................ Robert Sterling
Chancel Choir and Orchestra
Calvin Carter, soloist

What kind of King with a destiny so grand
would be born to such a simple girl,
To offer hope that carries us past our wildest dreams!
I long to know, what kind of King?
What kind of King has a star up in the sky,
shining down to all who seek the way,
For weary souls searching to find what light can bring?
I long to know, what kind of King...

Is He a King of might? Is He a King of grace?
Is He a King who with His life changes the world?
How could it be, He would love me?

What kind of King has creation’s choir above
Singing joy and peace on earth to all,
Whose heav’nly host covers the sky with angel wings?
I long to know-

What kind of King trades a royal robe for rags
and wears a crown of thorns upon His brow;
who leaves His throne to carry a cross so willingly?
I long to know this kind of King.

*CONGREGATIONAL CAROL NO. 127

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing ................................................................................. MENDELSSOHN

PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS

*BENEDICTION

*CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE - PIANO & ORGAN DUET

Gloria in Excelsis Deo..................................................................................................arr. Lloyd Larson
Jackson Glover, Organ
Lisa Moxley, Piano

*Those who are able may stand with ministers and choir.
WELCOME VISITORS
We are honored by your presence this morning. We would love for you to record your attendance on the Friendship Pad when it is passed to you and provide information so that we can contact you further.

ENTER TO WORSHIP
This is a holy hour. We invite you to enter this sanctuary with joy and reverence. We invite members and visitors to be seated near the front of the sanctuary to enhance our sense of community in worship. When you have taken your seat, spend a few moments in quiet reflection as you prepare your heart for worship. If the service has already begun, please enter quietly by one of the side aisles. Please remember to silence your cell phone.

RESOURCES FOR HEARING IMPAIRMENT
Hearing assistance devices are available for those who have such need. Please see an usher for more information.

BECOME A MEMBER OF HBBC
Those who desire to join our church may come forward to where the pastor is standing during the Hymn of Commitment. If you would like to meet with a minister before making this decision, any of our ministers would be happy to answer your questions.

FOR CHILDREN DURING WORSHIP
Extended Session: Childcare is provided for birth-5 year olds during worship. Children ages 4-5 visit the Sanctuary briefly for the Children's Sermon.
Children's Worship: For 1st-5th graders, 1st & 3rd Sundays during the school year. (Children leave at the designated time during worship and are picked up in Room 1 following worship).
Worship Bags: Worship bags are available at all of the entrances to the Sanctuary to encourage children to participate in worship. Please return them as you leave worship.

ABOUT SUNDAY SCHOOL
On Sunday mornings at 9:45 AM, we provide classes for all ages to enjoy Bible study and fellowship. Call the church office for more information.

TODAY’S EXTENDED SESSION HELPERS
Assistant: Jennifer Haigwood; Infants: Kathy Teague, Kristie Whitlow, Todd Whitlow, Chris Perri, Stephanie Perri; Ones: Hannah Gordon, Justin Smith; Twos: Matt Spain, Aislinn Spain; Threes: Elaine Shakleford, Cindy Henson; Fours: Bailey Sock, Betty Boyce; Kindergarten: Jon Lanier, Ginny Lanier

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ABOUT TODAY’S WORSHIP
Today in worship we will reflect on the “Portraits of the King” offered by the four Evangelists. As we gather for worship our Adult Ensemble will sing about the breathtaking beauty of God’s creation that often leaves us speechless. As a congregation we will respond with words and phrases that describe the beauty of incarnation ... more precious than silver, more costly than gold, more beautiful than diamonds. The choir and orchestra will celebrate the soaring glory of Christ (Winged Eagle—John) as they sing “every valley shall be lifted and every mountain be made low.” The Winged Man/Angel (Matthew) will be musically interpreted with lyrics that call us to reflect on the splendor and holiness of the Christ child. Luke’s portrait of the sacrificial Christ (Winged Ox) calls us to fall in simple faith and wonder to our knees, “making our lives a Bethlehem.” Mark’s gospel depicts the power of Christ (Winged Lion). The choir’s final anthem poses the question, “what kind of King trades a royal robe for rags and wears a crown of thorns upon His brow?” We close this congregational worship experience singing “hark the herald angels sing! Glory to the newborn King.”
**CHRISTMAS MISSIONS OFFERING**

Please be part of showing the world Jesus through our Christmas Missions offering this year. The Christmas Missions offering is an opportunity to bless the world through giving. You can designate your gifts to HBBC Missions, the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, CBF Global Missions, or a combination of the three. Give using one of the Christmas Missions Offering envelopes or online at www.hbbc.org/give and choosing the fund you would like to apply your gift to. Help us reach our goal of $25,000. So far, HBBC has given $4,880 to the Christmas Missions Offering this year.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE LIVING NATIVITY**

Help us tell the Christmas Story December 22-24 from 7:00-9:00 PM. Sign up to participate in Living Nativity or to serve refreshments at www.hbbc.org/nativity. Contact Ameshia Turlington (aturlington@att.net) with any questions.

**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES AND PRIVATE COMMUNION**

Our Family Christmas Eve worship begins at 4:00 PM and our Communion Christmas Eve Service begins at 6:00 PM. Join us in worship. Private communion will be offered in the Sanctuary from 7:00-9:00 PM.

**ADVENT DEVOTIONALS ARE AVAILABLE**

This year Hayes Barton is offering an Advent devotional book to help guide you through the Advent season. They will focus on our new Advent banners and theme, Portraits of the King. Make sure to pick yours up today. They are written to help you prepare for the upcoming worship service each week. It’s not too late to get started on our Advent journey.

**NO FAMILY NIGHT ON DECEMBER 19, 26 OR JANUARY 2**

**MEMBERSHIP MATTERS BEGINS JANUARY 6**

Membership Matters is a 5-session class that meets during Sunday School to provide newcomers perspectives on living in faith at HBBC. This class is open to all visitors and new members alike. To sign up, please contact our church office at (919) 833-4617 or celler@hbbc.org.

**SCHOOL OF MUSIC REGISTRATION**

Registration has opened for Spring 2019 School of Music lessons. Lessons are available for piano, guitar, voice, flute, oboe, brass and more. To find out more about School of Music, or to register, go to www.hbbc.org/schoolofmusic.

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**TO GIVE ONLINE**

If you are interested in giving online, you may scan the QR code to the left or go to www.hbbc.org/give.