

*We exist to bless the Highland neighborhood with the love of Jesus
through community partnerships*

Get a Text—To get text messages from the church, text “4highlands” to 25827

Christmas Open House at the Henson’s—Sunday, December 5, 534 Gladstone Blvd. 4:00-6:00 PM

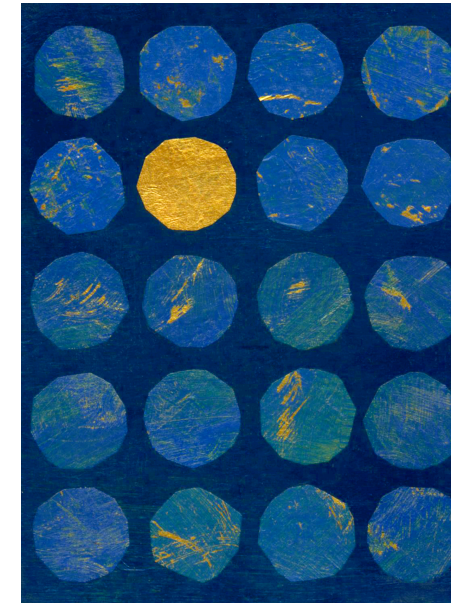
Hanging of the Green, 5:00 PM, --songs, Scripture, decorations and “adornements”

Children’s Choir Musical—“Shobi Shares a Miracle”, practice is on Wednesdays at 5:30 PM in the Highland Kid’s Room. This is for K-8th grade. For more information and to sign up, talk to Dan Gibbs.

Contemplative Prayer—Wednesday. 5:30 PM, downstairs this week.

Missional Ministry Teams—everyone has the opportunity to make a difference in our neighborhood by serving on a team. To see the full list and to learn how to get connected, pick up a Team Sheet in the Chapel foyer.

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Worship
The First Sunday of Advent
Sunday, November 28, 2010



Prelude

Call to Worship

This is Advent, the season of great hope.

I was glad when they said to me:
let us go to the house of the Lord.
For the Lord shall teach us loving ways
and we shall walk in paths of hope.
Nation shall not lift up sword against
nation, neither shall they learn war any
more.

The joy of the coming Christ be with you all!
And also with you!

Call to Prayer

Taizé' Response: "Wait for the Lord" (first time
piano only; then congregation)

Prayer of Silence

The Lord's Prayer (sung; see next page for
words)

The Welcoming of One Another

Advent Hymn No. 79 "Come Thou Long
Expected Jesus"

Lighting of the Candle of Hope

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come
to Thee O Israel!

Scripture Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Advent Chorus "Emmanuel"

Emmanuel, Emmanuel—His name is
called Emmanuel.

God with us, revealed in us; His
name is called Emmanuel.

Missional Moment

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Thanks and praise in the eternal hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power
and might, heaven and earth are full of
your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of
the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

We thank you

Offertory "Of the Father's Love Begotten"

Doxology Tune: *Gift of Love*

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Gospel Reading: Matthew 24:36-44

Message: "While Waiting in Line"

Hymn of Response, No. 309: "O Lord, Who Came
to Earth to Show"

Opportunities for Service

Benediction

Postlude

"Wait for the Lord"

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Wait for the Lord: keep watch, take heart

A Sung Version of the Lord's Prayer

This rendering of the Lord's prayer uses unfamiliar words and phrasing to help us actually hear its message rather than lapsing into an auto-pilot recitation. (Notes are given for the key of C. The final "amen" could be sung over a V-I chord progression – in this case, G-C. Underlined syllables are given emphasis.)

(C) Our Father, above us and all around us,

(D) May your unspeakable Name be reversed.

(E) Here to earth, may your kingdom come.

(F) On earth as in heaven, may your will be done.

(G) Give us today our bread for today.

(F) Forgive us our wrongs as we forgive others.

(E) Lead us away from the time of trial.

(D) And liberate us from the evil.

(C) The kingdom and power and glory are yours.

(D-C) Amen.