

IN THE

BEGINNING



HOUSTON
CHINESE CHURCH
鐵士頓中國教會

The Curse

Preacher: Jason Tarn

Sunday, March 6, 2022 | 9:15am-10:30am

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ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE

9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Welcome & Call to Worship

Recitation of the Apostle's Creed

Worship in Song

Offertory

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading, *Genesis 3:20-24*

Worship in the Word, Minister Henry

"Paradise Lost" - [Sermon Outline](#)

Worship in Song

Confession of Sin

Lord's Supper

Benediction & Doxology

Expository Preaching

Expository preaching communicates a biblical idea derived from a passage of Scripture and applies it to the listener.



ONLINE

Sermon notes and video recordings can be found here:

hcc.lv/SermonMeUp



UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

In the Beginning: Brother's Keeper

March 13 | *Genesis 4:1-16* | Jason Tarn

In the Beginning: Cleansing Flood

March 20 | *Genesis 6:5-13; 7:17-18* | Jason Tarn

In the Beginning: Sign of the Covenant

March 27 | *Genesis 8:20-9:17* | Jason Tarn

In the Beginning: Birth of Nations

April 3 | *Genesis 11:1-9* | Henry Ow

ENGLISH ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us for Sunday School classes at 11:00am -12:15pm. Jesus calls us to be disciples, workers, and leaders. Our teaching ministry aims to produce believers who are committed to the call of Jesus.

Old Testament Survey (Part 2 of 6) | Rm 113

Systematic Theology Survey (Part 2 of 3) | Rm 115

Verse by Verse Bible: Mark | Rm 411

NEW! Lies Women Believe | Rm 201

Temptations Men Face | Rm 412/414



LUNCH
SURVEY

LUNCH SURVEY

If you plan on buying lunch next Sunday, please fill out this form: hcc.lv/lunch | Meal tickets (\$4.50 for adults, \$2.50 for kids) are available at the Welcome Desk from 12-1pm on Sundays. Lunch is served on a first come, first serve basis. You have to **both** fill out the survey **and** buy lunch tickets.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

SERVE: Ministries for the Poor | *TODAY! & Sun, Mar 13* | 12:30pm - 1:00pm | Room 210

Come join us in Room 210 after Sunday School to hear about ways to serve the homeless near our church. At 1pm, we will go together to the 610 & Main/Buffalo Speedway underpasses to hand out care packages and pray with our neighbors. For questions, please email jamisonjchang@gmail.com

MOLO Gathering | *Wednesday, March 9* | 9:30 - 11:00am | Whitt Johnson Park

MOLO (Mothers of Little Ones) is a ministry for moms at HCC and friends in the community. We will be having a play group at Whitt Johnson Park (6540 Wakeforest Ave) at 9:30-11am. Please contact Stacy Huang at stacyhuang@alumni.rice.edu to get connected with MOLO.

Retirement 101: Long-term/Healthcare Planning | *Sat, Mar 12* | 1:30pm - 3pm | Room 115

Come learn about retirement planning process, planning for future care, social security, Medicare and much more in this free hybrid financial planning seminar series. Register at hcc.lv/RegisterRetire101 or watch recordings of the previous sessions at hcc.lv/family

PTL: The Moral Argument for God | *Sat, Mar 12* | 5pm | Sanctuary

The second talk in our Public Theology Lecture series will feature Dr. David Baggett, Professor of Philosophy at Houston Baptist University. Come hear about apologetics and how to apply theology and faith to our daily lives. For more details, visit hcc.lv/publictheologylectures

Women's Ministry Spring Event: "Mosaic of Grace" | *Apr 2* | 1:30 - 3:00pm | Chapel

When we reflect on our lives, we see that we have experienced personal dividing lines that result in a progression of changes in our thinking, feeling, and living. Join us for a time of teaching, sharing, and fellowship, as we see how God uses our brokenness for His glory! Register online at hcc.lv/MosaicOfGrace now through March 20, 2022, or come visit our booth in the lobby after English service. Questions? Please email womensministry@hcchome.org.

Thrive Retreat: Living Out Your Faith in the 9-5 | *May 27 - May 30* | Trinity Pines

The Thrive Retreat is a retreat for young professionals of all walks of life to learn Biblical knowledge and apply it to their respective careers. Learn about various topics including the Modern Day Sabbath, Faithful Finance, Work-Family Balance, Workplace Depression & more and hear from speaker Pastor Joey Chen. Registration will open soon!

"Mask-querade" - HCC Daddy-Daughter Dance 2022 | *Jun 18* | 5:00 - 8:00pm | Chapel

Dads and daughters, come join us for a beautiful evening together with food, dancing, and fun! Bring your daughter, goddaughter, or anyone whom you love and care for like a daughter! Attire: Formal; Fee: \$15 for daddy & daughter + \$2 for additional daughter. There is no age restriction; sign up here: bit.ly/3pu5ndi

CHURCH NOTICES

Family Life Resource Center

Home Life provides biblical resources on common family seasons like Singleness, Hope to Marry, Intentional Parenting and challenging circumstances like Difficult Teen and Difficult Marriage. We are introducing a new topic today titled "Caring for an Aging Loved Ones." These pamphlets provide guidance for each season of life with recommended resources for further study. Come by the Family Life Resource Center to check it out.

Room Reservations | hcc.lv/rooms

If you would like to reserve a room, please check the room availability first at hcc.lv/availability. You can also email englishadmin@hcchome.org to request a room.

GIVE: Helping Ukrainian Refugees

Since the invasion of their country, Ukrainians are now fleeing to neighboring countries. If you want to support these refugees, you can help by giving to the **Ukraine Crisis Fund** by World Vision, a Christian relief organization: donate.worldvision.org/give/ukraine-crisis-fund

SERVE: WARM (Welcoming and Receiving Ministry)

Looking for a way to get involved at HCC? WARM is seeking volunteers to serve as greeters and ushers. Contact Alex Wu at alexwu272@gmail.com to learn more.



In the Beginning: Paradise Lost

Genesis 3:20-24

Sin causes people to treat us differently. If the IRS audits our tax returns and discovers that we fudged the numbers, then they'll demand payment of lost taxes and scrutinize our future tax returns. If we "conveniently" forget to send payment to our friend to pay for our portion of dinner, then we may not receive a future dinner invite. If a friend discovers that you disclosed their secret, then they may not share another secret with you. If we know that people treat us differently when we sin against them, then how does God treat sinners?

I. God graciously provides salvation to those who believe in him.

II. God graciously provides a costly covering for sin's shame

III. God graciously provides an end to our sojourn in sin

English Adult Sunday School – Spring 2022

11:00 am – 12:15 pm

This Sunday marks the beginning of the spring quarter featuring five new Sunday School classes, two of which are continuations of previous tracks (Systematic Theology and Old Testament Survey). Feel free to try a new class as we study God's Word together and learn more about how to apply truths from the Bible to our lives!

Systematic Theology Survey (Part 2 of 3)

Room 115

Led by Jason Tarn, Akhil Shenoy, Wilson Chuang, & Chris Chee

This survey course will provide you with a strong theological foundation for Christian life and ministry. We will explore key doctrines across the spectrum of systematic theology. In Part Two, we will cover the doctrines of Sin, of the Person and Work of Christ, of the Person and Work of the Holy Spirit, and of Salvation.

Old Testament Survey (Part 2 of 6)

Room 113

Led by Henry Ow, Joseph Goh, & John Hsieh

In the 2-year Old Testament Survey track, we will go through the 39 books of the OT by providing a high level overview of each book and its main ideas/themes. The OT helps us understand God's character and is the foundation for the New Testament. Through the OT, we also learn of God's promises and how they point to Jesus. This 12-week spring quarter, we'll journey through the historical books (Joshua through 2 Samuel), which tell the story of God's relationship with Israel. The format of the class will be a blend of lecture, videos, discussion, and sharing. We hope that you can join us!

NEW! Lies Women Believe

Room 201

Led by Constance Le, Eunji Kim, Amy Tsui, & Ellie Tow

Women Only

The endless lies from Satan that Christian women believe are at the root of many of their struggles. How do we counter these lies that keep us from joyful, abundant living? We invite women to join us as we look into areas of deception commonly believed by Christian women, including lies about God, sin, priorities, marriage and family, and emotions. Together, we will seek how we can be delivered from bondage and set free to walk in God's grace, forgiveness, and abundant life. We have the most effective weapon to counter and overcome Satan's deceptions: God's truth!

More Sunday School classes are on the back →

Verse by Verse Bible: Mark

Trailer 411

Led by Tim Brown, Steven Cheng, Bill Huang, & Dan Tung

Come join us for a verse by verse study of the book of Mark! We will be referencing Tim Keller's book *Jesus the King* as one of our resources for our study. It has been a long time since we have studied one of the gospels in Sunday class, and we're very excited to explore the book of Mark with you!

Temptations Men Face

Trailer 412/414

Led by Fred Tow, James Hsia, & Chris Lu

Men Only

Satan is roaming around seeking to devour people, particularly men. He knows their Achilles heels and he schemes to bring them down. Men are invited to attend this class to understand the key temptations that Satan uses to destroy them. These difficult struggles of men include being obsessed with pornography, love of money, being macho, abusing power, being perfectionistic, and having an affair. How can we be delivered from these powerful temptations? Come and have some honest discussion as we search Scripture to understand how to combat it.

HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR FEBRUARY 27, 2022

HCC WORSHIP

PEARLAND WORSHIP

278

ENGLISH

50

CANTONESE

129

MANDARIN

49

YOUTH

64

CHILDREN

13+72

ENG + MAND

17

CHILDREN

672

TOTAL



HCC SUNDAY SCHOOL

78

ENGLISH

47

CANTONESE

71

MANDARIN

PEARLAND SS

32

ADULT



FEB 27, 2022

OFFERING

YTD RECEIVED

THIS YEAR'S YTD
(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS

LAST YEAR'S
YTD (DEFICIT)/
SURPLUS

GENERAL FUND

\$97,698.35

\$351,489.16

(32,719.22)

(48,943.77)

HCC BUILDING

\$50.00

\$5,850.00

PEARLAND
BUILDING

\$7,132.76

\$10,681.33



Job Opportunities: Staff Needed

We are looking for several people to fill the following part-time positions:

- IT Coordinator
- Nursery Coordinator
- Nursery Caregiver
- Pearland Youth Ministry Director/Intern

Contact us at hccoffice@hcchome.org or find out more information at hcc.lv/HCCJobs



HCC Positive COVID-19 Test Self-Reporting

If you have tested positive for COVID, please fill out the "HCC Positive COVID-19 Test Self-Reporting" form at hcc.lv/covidreport to help with contact-tracing efforts.



PRAYER

Join us as we pray for our long term workers in this month's Global Outreach Spotlight:
hcc.lv/GoPrayMarch



COVID PROTOCOL

****Yellow Zone****

Masks are now optional for all individuals, but still highly recommended for those who are unvaccinated or immunocompromised.

ABOUT US

COVID Church Facilities Update

HCC welcomes everyone to our indoor worship and activities. Check: hcc.lv/COVIDnews for the most updated protocols. For more info contact us at: hccoffice@hcchome.org

New or Visiting HCC?

If you are a newcomer or visitor we would love to connect you with our church community! Take a moment to fill out our Visitor's Welcome form: hcc.lv/welcome OR stop by our welcome desk in the lobby for a gift. We will contact you with on ways to connect with our community!

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