

IN THE

BEGINNING



HOUSTON
CHINESE CHURCH
德士頓中國教會

Birth of Nations

Preacher: Henry Ow

Sunday, April 3, 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 Beatitudes

Worship in Song

Offertory

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading, *Genesis 11:1-9*

Worship in the Word, Minister Henry

"Birth of Nations" - [Sermon Outline](#)

Worship in Song

Confession of Sin

Lord's Supper

Benediction & Doxology

Lord's Supper

We partake in the Lord's Supper together to remember the price Christ paid to restore us onto a relationship with God and anticipate Christ's return.



UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

He Who Comes in the Name of the Lord

April 10 | *Psalm 118:19-29* | Jason Tarn

Easter Sunday: He Who Rose From the Dead

April 17 | *Acts 10:34-43* | Fred Tow

Male and Female He Created Them

April 24 | *Genesis 1:27* | Jason Tarn

Numbered Days

May 1 | *Job 14:5; Psalm 39:4-5* | Jason Tarn



ONLINE

Sermon notes and video recordings can be found here:

hcc.lv/SermonMeUp



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.

Verse by Verse Bible: Mark | *Rm 411*

Temptations Men Face | *Rm 412/414 *men only*

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

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

Lies Women Believe | *Rm 201 *women only*



LUNCH SURVEY

If you plan on buying lunch next Sunday, please fill out this form: hcc.lv/lunch | Meal tickets are sold in the lobby and in the chapel. Lunch is served on a first come, first serve basis. You have to **both** fill out the survey **and** buy lunch tickets.



LUNCH
SURVEY

Good Friday

TENEBRAE
SERVICE



FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2022 AT 6 PM

HCC SANCTUARY | ONE-HOUR SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO STAY FOR THE SERVICE

NURSERY CARE AVAILABLE FOR 3 & UNDER



HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH



SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2022, 7 AM
HERMANN PARK - MILLER OUTDOOR THEATER - ON THE HILL
RAIN OR SHINE - BRING BREAKFAST TO SHARE

*Resurrection
Sunday*

SUNRISE
SERVICE



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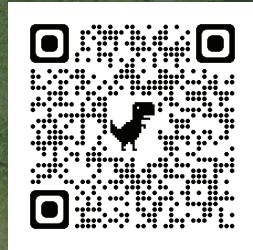
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in the 9-5

MAY 27-30

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CENTER**

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**EARLY REGISTRATION (\$175)
MARCH 15 - APRIL 15**

**REGULAR REGISTRATION (\$200)
APRIL 16 - MAY 15**



In the Beginning: Birth of Nations

Genesis 11:1-9

Pursuing and preserving unity is tough work. We see it in the world. Countries break away from unions. It's difficult to get a group of leaders to work together on a common cause. We see it in the workplace. Everyone has a different idea on how to complete a project. Analysts disagree on what caused the dip in profits this quarter. We see it in families. Spouses have different plans for vacation. Children ignore parental advice. Despite all its trouble, people desire unity. God put a desire for togetherness within us. How does God plan to bring people together?

1. God opposes unity based on pride because it conflicts with his plan.

2. God dissolves unions opposed to him because they lead to trouble.

3. God plans to unify a diverse people in him.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

TODAY! PTL: Thinking Theologically About War | *TODAY!* | 1:30 pm | *Sanctuary*

In light of the ongoing conflict in Ukraine, we've invited Dr. Jeffrey Green, professor of philosophy at HBU, to speak on the ethical questions surrounding the appropriate use of violent force. This special Public Theology Lecture will take place after service **today** at 1:30pm. Childcare is available for infants through 5th grade; no pre-registration required.

Churchwide Prayer Meeting | *Wed, Apr 6* | 7:30 - 8:30 pm | *Zoom: hcc.lv/jointprayer*

Join us Wednesday evening for our monthly churchwide prayer meeting conducted over Zoom at 7:30pm as we pray for each other, our church, and the nations.

MOLO (Mothers of Little Ones) | *Wed, Apr 6* | 8:30 - 9:30 pm | *Zoom*

Come join us for a time of fellowship and encouragement. Please contact *Stacy Huang* at stacyhuang@alumni.rice.edu if you have any questions.

Retirement 101: Social Security | *Sat, Apr 9* | 1:30 - 3:00pm | *Room 115*

Come learn about Social Security and the retirement planning process in this free hybrid financial planning seminar series. Register online at hcc.lv/registerretire101 or watch Zoom recordings of the previous sessions at hcc.lv/family

Shearn Elementary Easter Egg Hunt | *Thurs, Apr 14* | 8:00 am - 2:00 pm | *Sign up by today*

Shearn Elementary is hosting an Easter egg hunt to encourage the students after a challenging school year. There are 1-hour time slots for volunteers. Sign up by **TODAY** here: tinyurl.com/ShearnEggHunt. Please email *Irene Fong* at icfong@hotmail.com for questions.

English Buddy Easter Picnic | *Sat, Apr 16* | 11:30 am - 1:30 pm | *Willow Park*

Are you interested in sharing the story of Easter with your international friend? If so, please bring them to join us for a time of fellowship and an interactive sharing of the significance of Easter. RSVP at tinyurl.com/ebeaster2022. Questions? Email hcc.englishbuddy@gmail.com.

Cantonese Spring Picnic | *Sat, Apr 23* | 10:30 am - 3:00 pm | *Mary Jo Peckham Park (Katy, TX)*

Families & friends are welcome. Adult: \$7, children over six: \$4, 6 & under: free. Please register by 4/17 by emailing *Kitty: sidney2_wong@yahoo.com* or *Joey: choyjoey@gmail.com*. Registration is strongly recommended to make sure there is enough food.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Good Friday - Tenebrae Service | *Fri, April 15* | 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm | *HCC Sanctuary*

The Service of Tenebrae (Latin for "darkness" or "shadows") marks the events of Good Friday. Join us for our one-hour scripture reflection on the trail and denial of Jesus Christ. This is a quiet and reflective service, so please arrive promptly to minimize distractions. Parents, please bring your children to service with you. Nursery care is available for ages 3 & under.

Resurrection Sunday Sunrise Service | *Sun, Apr 17* | 7:00 am | *Hermann Park*

EASTER SUNDAY: Join us on the hill at Miller Outdoor Theater (Hermann Park) for our Resurrection Sunday Sunrise Service. Come worship with us at 7AM, rain or shine, and bring breakfast + picnic blankets to share! Afterwards, come to HCC with us for our English Worship Service at 9:15 AM.

CHURCH NOTICES

Parent Dedication | *Register Now!*

Families interested in participating in Parent Dedication can register using the following link: hcc.lv/dedication. Parent dedication opportunities will take place during worship services in May and June. Once you have signed up, please submit photos of your child and family to *Tina Zhao* at tinaz@hcchome.org. A home visitation is required as part of the Parent Dedication process. Mr. Frank will contact parents with further details.

Free Books, DVDs, Audiobooks, & Other Resources

Come pick up some free Christian books, curriculum materials, CD/DVDs, etc. under the staircase next to the Sanctuary.

HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

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

HCC WORSHIP

PEARLAND WORSHIP

304

ENGLISH

63

CANTONESE

152

MANDARIN

67

YOUTH

71

CHILDREN

20+76

ENG + MAND

26

CHILDREN

780

TOTAL



HCC SUNDAY SCHOOL

94

ENGLISH

39

CANTONESE

86

MANDARIN

PEARLAND SS

39

ADULT



MAR 27, 2022

OFFERING

YTD RECEIVED

THIS YEAR'S YTD
(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS

LAST YEAR'S
YTD (DEFICIT)/
SURPLUS

GENERAL FUND

\$122,223.71

\$551,092.28

\$22,931.53

(\$58,874.23)

HCC BUILDING

\$5,050.00

\$16,745.00

PEARLAND
BUILDING

\$9,464.38

\$21,688.71



Job Opportunities: Staff Needed

We are looking for a **full-time Youth Minister (Pearland Campus)**, as well as these part-time positions: **IT Coordinator**, **Nursery Coordinator**, and **Nursery Caregiver**. Contact us at pastorsearch@hcchome.org to apply or find out more at hcc.lv/HCCJobs



Congratulations

Jonathan and Jenny Lin on their baby, **Audrey Lin**, born on *March 2, 2022*.

Rebecca and Jack Wang on their son, **Thaddeus Wang**, born on *March 25, 2022*.



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/GoPrayApril



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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