



Meals with
Jesus

HOSPITALITY IN THE GOSPEL OF LUKE



HOUSTON
CHINESE CHURCH
曉士頓中國教會

Breaking Bread, Opening Eyes

Preacher: Fred Tow

Sunday, November 14, 2021 | 9:15am-10:30am

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ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE

9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Call to Worship

Worship in Song

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Offertory

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading, *Luke 24:13-35*

Worship in the Word, Pastor Fred Tow

“Breaking Bread, Opening Eyes”- [Sermon Outline](#)

Worship in Song

Confession of Sin

Worship in Song

The worship songs we sing teach us the truths of God's Word, express our response, and exhort one another to faithfulness

UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

Meals with Jesus: One More Meal

November 21 | *Luke 24:36-53* | Jason Tarn

The Advent of a King: The Nativity of John the Baptist

November 28 | *Luke 1:5 -25 ; 57-66* | Henry Ow

The Advent of a King: The Annunciation

December 5 | *Luke 1:26-45* | Jason Tarn

The Advent of a King: The Magnificat

December 12 | *Luke 1:46-56* | Jason Tarn

ENGLISH ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School classes (11am-12:15pm) will be postponed until the winter quarter. In the meantime, book clubs will be offered during the fall quarter starting in September via Zoom. Sign up for book clubs here: <https://hcc.lv/Fall2021BC>

Sunday - Gentle and Lowly (Dane Ortland) -

Sundays at 8:00pm | Henry Ow, Jessica Chen, and Lon Kai Pang

Monday - Gentle and Lowly (Dane Ortland)

Mondays at 8:30pm | Steven Cheng, John Hsieh, and Dan Tung

Doing Life With Your Adult Children (Jim Burns)

Wednesdays at 8:30pm | Fred Tow and Peter Khoo

Born to Shine - Outreach Musical - Prayer Guide

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

Our prayers for the outreach musical have come to the fourth week, which also means that the performance is close at hand. We continue to lift this musical into the hands of God in prayer, because this powerful and caring God is a God who listens to prayer. It is said that, "If you want to do good work, you must first sharpen your tools. If you want to serve, you must first humble yourself." Indeed, prayer can remind us to be humble and rely on Him instead of on ourselves, so that we may gain the strength and help we need. Prayer can also help us experience joy in our ministry, and turn our focus solely on the God we serve.

Week Four (11/13-11/19): Pray to the God who Listens

- ❖ **Meditate on Scripture:** Blessed be the Lord! For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy. The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.
- Psalm 28:6-7

- ❖ **Prayer Items:**
 - We thank God because God hears our prayers not because we are worthy, but because the Son of God, our high priest, brings our needs to the throne of grace. Because of Christ, our prayers are heard by God.
 - Pray that God will continue to take charge of the rehearsal for the next two weeks and keep everything progressing smoothly.
 - Pray that God will continue to strengthen the musical team and protect their physical, mental, and spiritual health. Also protect their families so that they can concentrate on serving.
 - Pray that God will provide for the needs of the musical and grant enough funds (currently about 8,000 short of goal).
 - At this moment, I continue to pray for _____, and I would like to invite him/her/them to attend the outreach musical and ask God to open the way.
 - I pray for those I invited _____, and ask the Holy Spirit to work and guide him/her/them to attend the musical.

ACTS Homepage: <https://actsperform.org/>

Born to Shine - For more information on the outreach musical and ticketing, please visit <https://actsperform.org/event/> (free admission)

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

MOLO: Mothers of Little Ones | *Wednesday, Nov 17th* | 8:30pm - 9:30pm

MOLO is a ministry for moms at HCC and friends in the community. We will be meeting online on Wednesday, November 17th 8:30-9:30pm. Join our open forum to listen in or ask and answer questions about mom-life and our little ones. To connect with MOLO or get more information contact englishadmin@hcchome.org

ACTS Holiday Musical - Born to Shine | *Sunday, Nov 19th & Saturday, Nov 20th*

Invite friends and family to the ACTS Holiday Musical - Born to Shine! Learn more and reserve your FREE tickets here: <https://actsperform.org/event>

Membership Class | *Sunday, Nov 21st & Sunday, Nov 28th* | 11:00am | Rm 220

Interested in becoming a member of HCC? Come join classes on Nov 21 and Nov 28 to learn more about what it means to be a member. For membership you must attend both classes. Contact englishadmin@hcchome.org to sign up or to learn more

Live Stream of English Service | *Sunday, Nov 21st* | 9:15am | Zoom

Live stream of our service is available by registering each week. Please register early to get a timely response: <http://hcc.lv/HCCLive> the link and password will be emailed to you.

Faith Path: Rite of Passage | *Sunday, Nov 21st* | 8:30pm - 9:30pm | Zoom

Join us as we discuss the evolving relationship with your child as they learn to juggle the freedom and responsibilities of adulthood. Learn how to plan a rite of passage event to celebrate and bless your son or daughter at this pivotal phase of their lives. <https://hcc.lv/FP>

Parent Dedication | *Register Now* | *Sundays: Nov 21st, Nov 28th, Dec 5th, or Dec 12th*

Families interested in participating in Parent Dedication can register using the following link: <https://hcc.lv/Dedication>. Parent dedication opportunities will take place during worship services on 11/21, 11/28, 12/5 or 12/12. 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.

Angel Tree Christmas

HCC is partnering with Angel Tree ministry to bring Christmas gifts to children whose parents are in prison. To learn more go to the welcome area or contact Maria Chen mchen0210@gmail.com

CMC Global 2021 - Online Conference | *Tuesday, Dec 28th & Wednesday, Dec 29th*

Global Outreach(GO) invites our HCC congregations to participate in CMC Global 2021 hosted by Ambassadors for Christ. Come experience the power of the gospel and hear what God is doing worldwide. GO has purchased group tickets for the virtual conference. For group ticket code and information on how to register connect with Chen Wen at the welcome desk or contact wenwenc@yahoo.com. Learn more information about CMC here: <https://www.thecmc.org/>

CHURCH NOTICES

COVID UPDATE: Facilities Indoor Eating & Drinking

HCC's Facilities Reopening Committee(FRC) and Medical Advisory Committee(MAC) have determined that the HCC is currently in the Yellow Zone. As of Friday, Nov 5th eating and drinking will be permitted inside the church building when the city of Houston is in Yellow and Green Zone. This policy is subject to change, as we monitor the rate of Covid-19 cases.

VOLUNTEER: Kitchen Ministry

As the eating and drinking policy for the church is reopening, we are looking for volunteers to help with kitchen ministries at the start of the new year. If you are interested in helping and volunteering with the kitchen ministry contact hccoffice@hcchome.org

UPDATE: Kitchen Usage

All kitchen usage will be limited to preparation areas including sinks, fridge, microwaves. Please do not use the stove at this time. If you would like to use the kitchen please notify administrative staff beforehand. We appreciate your cooperation.

COVID UPDATE: Temperature Checks

HCC's Facilities Reopening Committee(FRC) and Medical Advisory Committee(MAC) have determined in the Yellow and Green Zone, we will no longer be taking temperatures at the door. The nursery staff will continue to take temperatures for children entering the nursery.

Register for Nursery | *Register here:* <https://hcc.lv/RegisterNursery>

Registration for your child to be in the Nursery next Sunday will go live on Wednesday.

HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR NOVEMBER 7, 2021

HCC WORSHIP INCLUDING IN-PERSON & ZOOM

PEARLAND WORSHIP

287+71

ENGLISH

88

CANTONESE

128+90

MANDARIN

60

YOUTH

37

CHILDREN

75

ENG + MAND

18

CHILDREN & YOUTH

854

TOTAL



HCC SUNDAY SCHOOL INCLUDING IN-PERSON & ZOOM

PEARLAND SS

-

ENGLISH

50

CANTONESE

95

MANDARIN

-

CHILDREN

-

ADULT



NOV 7, 2021

OFFERING

YTD RECEIVED

THIS YEAR'S YTD (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS

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GENERAL FUND

\$28,067.00

\$1,618,736.32

(\$113,807.48)

(\$123,990.61)

HCC BUILDING

\$350.00

\$10,442.00

PEARLAND BUILDING

\$850.00

\$142,785.39

COVID 19 RELIEF FUND

-

\$8,601.70



Meet and Eat

We invite you to apply what God is teaching us through the Meals with Jesus sermon series, by having a meal with a newcomer or HCC member that you may not know well. Stop by the Welcome Desk to get connected to a group going to lunch!



Job Opportunities: Staff Needed

We are looking for several people to join our staff. Would you prayerfully consider one of the open positions available? Contact us at hccoffice@hcchome.org or find out more information about open positions at <https://hcc.lv/HCCJobs>

Staff Itinerary: *Thomas Wang*, vacation: 11/20 - 11/28



Congratulations

William Chan & Emily Lai on their son, **Joshua Chan**, born on November 8, 2021.



PRAYER

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



COVID PROTOCOL

Yellow Zone

We ask that unvaccinated individuals, 2 years old and above, please wear a mask.

ABOUT US

COVID Church Facilities Update

HCC welcomes everyone to our indoor worship and activities. Check: <https://hcc.lv/COVIDnews> for the most updated news. 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: <https://hcc.lv/welcome> OR stop by the welcome desk in the lobby. We will contact you with on ways to connect with our community!

Sign Up for Our Newsletter | <http://hcc.lv/HCCNews>

Subscribe to our weekly newsletters with announcements, opportunities, and updates.



Please submit English bulletin announcements and inserts to the **English Administrator** at amberg@hcchome.org by Wednesday noon for approval. Any announcements received after Wednesday at noon will be put in next week's bulletin.