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HOUSTON
CHINESE CHURCH
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Gospel-Shaped Work

Preacher: Jason Tarn

Sunday, September 8, 2024 | 9:15am - 10:30am

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ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE

9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Welcome & Call to Worship

Worship in Song

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Offertory

Recitation of the Apostles' Creed

Baptism and Membership Introductions

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading, *Ephesians 6:5-9*

Worship in the Word, Pastor Jason Tarn

"Gospel-Shaped Work" - [Sermon Outline](#)

Worship in Song

Benediction & Doxology

Baptism

Baptism is the public declaration that a person has placed his or her faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and identifies with Jesus' death and resurrection as depicted by immersion in water.

UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

Every Sunday at 9:15 AM

We Exist to Make Disciples

September 15 | *Matthew 28:16-20* | Jason Tarn

Difficult Bosses at Work

September 22 | *1 Peter 2:18-25* | Henry Ow

Rest From Your Work

September 29 | *Exodus 20:8-11; 31:12-17* | Jason Tarn

I AM the Bread of Life

October 6 | *John 6:25-59* | Jason Tarn

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ONLINE

Sermon notes and video recordings can be found here:

hcc.lv/sermons



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.

Family Life: Single, Dating, Engaged, Married: Navigating Life and Love in the Modern Age | Rm 115

Systematic Theology Survey | Rm 113

Old Testament Survey | Trailer 411



Faith at Work: Integrating Christ and Your Career

Gospel-Shaped Work

Ephesians 6:5-9

If the gospel can give dignity and purpose to the work of a first-century slave, then there is definitely hope for yours. Whether you're the one giving orders or the one taking them, the gospel has the power to reorient your attitude and motivation to do good work at work.

1. How the gospel undermines slavery
 - a. Addresses slaves as persons not property

 - b. Unites slaves and masters under one Lord and Father

2. How the gospel shapes the way you work
 - a. Sets you free from the fear of man

 - b. Sets you free from the fear of boredom

 - c. Sets you free from the fear of exploitation

3. How the gospel shapes the way you manage
 - a. Changes the way you motivate others to do good work

 - b. Changes your own motivation to do good work

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Churchwide Prayer at New Building | Today, Sept 8th | 1:00pm-1:30pm

Join us together as a church to pray for our building renovation project and the upcoming pledge campaign. Please do not bring any food/beverages inside. Prayers will be held the second Sunday of each month at the new building cafeteria.

Care Package Distribution | Today, Sept 8th | After Service | Lobby

Pick up a care package to give to a neighbor in need as you commute this week. Care packages include socks, water, snacks, and other items that may help people asking for assistance at street corners.

New Building Fundraising Campaign: Kickoff Sunday | Sunday, Sept 15th

Our next Lord's Day worship service will be dedicated to the start of a new fundraising campaign for the renovation of our newly purchased building. In addition to a special message, lobby booths will be available to review God's past provision, to explore the scope of our present project, and to envision future gospel ministries.

Philadelphia Missions Sharing | Sunday, Sept 15th | 1:00pm-2:15pm | Trailer 411

Come hear what God is doing in our partner churches in Philadelphia!

SERVE: Parent's Night Out | Saturday, Sept 21st | 4:00pm-8:00pm | HCC

Volunteers are still needed to babysit the little ones at HCC to give their parents a date/rest night. Dinner for volunteers will be provided! Register to volunteer at tinyurl.com/pno-volunteer. If you have any questions, contact PNO@hcchome.org.

Newcomer's Lunch | Sunday, Sept 22nd | 12:30pm | Youth Room

Are you new to Houston Chinese Church? Interested in learning more about our church and how to get connected? Newcomers in the past 4 months are welcome to attend.

MOLO | Tuesday, Sept 24th | 8:30pm-10:00pm | Zoom

"The s word - what does submission practically look like in a Christian marriage?" Come join us over Zoom. Irene Fong and Jen Chii will share their experience, encouragement and words of wisdom with us. Link to be sent out closer to event. All ladies welcome.

FOLO Gathering | Saturday, Sept 28th | 9:00am-10:30am | Whitt Johnson Park

Fathers of Little Ones (FOLO) is having its monthly gathering. Bring the kids for a time of fellowship, encouragement and fun. The location is Whitt Johnson Park (6540 Wakeforest Ave). For questions, contact Alan Bennett at ab@alumni.rice.edu

Church Cleaning Day | Saturday, Oct 5th | 7:45am-12:15pm

In preparation for our Fall Festival Trunk-or-Treat event, we are looking for about 60 volunteers to facilitate clean up of the parking lot and mattress firm building. Please sign up for a time slot here: hcc.lv/cleaning

English Retreat | Friday-Sunday, Oct 18th-20th | Pineywoods Camp

Join us for English Retreat this year at Pineywoods Baptist Encampment! Pastor Ayo Omopariola from The West Church will speak about intentionally slowing down our lives in order for us to move at the pace of the Lord's grace. The three areas of focus are pain, spiritual growth, and prayer. Register at: hcc.lv/24er. Registration will close on Oct 6th. For questions, contact zifangz@gmail.com.

CHURCH NOTICES

2024 English Prayer Guides Available

Come pick up a 2024 prayer guide in the church office (one per family). Use this prayer guide to get to know the English members and pray for each other daily.

Volunteer with Youth Ministry This Year

The Youth Ministry is looking for volunteers to help with our Sunday Morning (11:00am-12:15pm) programs. If you are interested, please contact Minister Stan at stanleyc@hcchome.org to learn about the different needs in the Youth Ministry.

HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

HCC WORSHIP

*MAND RETREAT

PEARLAND (RETREAT WEEKEND)

283

ENGLISH

85

CANTONESE

148+61

MANDARIN

40

YOUTH

77

CHILDREN

149

COMBINED

843

TOTAL



HCC SUNDAY SCHOOL

62

ENGLISH

59

CANTONESE

-

MANDARIN

PEARLAND (RETREAT WEEKEND)

-

ENGLISH

-

MANDARIN

-

YOUTH

-

CHILDREN



SEPTEMBER 1, 2024	OFFERINGS	YTD RECEIVED	YTD (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	
			THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR
HCC GENERAL	\$25,235.91	\$1,296,084.72	(\$554,008.78)*	(\$200,566.60)
PCC GENERAL	\$651.00	\$128,670.95		
HCC BUILDING	\$413.22	\$68,242.85		
HCC PLEDGE PAYMENTS	\$10,900.00	\$612,699.24		
RESTRICTED COMM SERVICE GRANTS	-	\$8,700.00		

*Includes new-for-2024 expenses of \$66,144 for HCC support of Ethnos' 1st Operating Year, \$91,250 for new MF building insurance, and \$60,533.71 in MF utility expenses through July 31st; also includes \$165,546 in HCC and PCC insurance premiums paid earlier this year.



BAPTISM & NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

TODAY, we will witness the baptism of *Jenet Narzary*. Current members are also invited to affirm membership candidates: *Tim Wudiyono, Brendan Anzures, & Jasmin Auzenne Anzures*. Please welcome them to our HCC family!



LUNCH PREPARATION

Newcomers can pick up a free lunch coupon & voucher to book stall at the Welcome Desk!

Cambridge (this week)

Phil & Jenn/Jason & Shirley (next week)



PRAYER

Join us as we pray for our long term workers in this month's Global Outreach Spotlight:

hcc.lv/pray24

SCAN HERE FOR HCC PAYPAL GIVING FUNDS



← PPGF GIVING CODES

Without a giving code, your donation will default to the General Fund. Use these numbers in the cents amount to designate a fund (e.g. \$250.25 for a pledge fulfillment).

- "25" - Fulfilling your Building Project pledge
- "22" - Designate to the HCC Building Fund

ABOUT US

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. We will contact you with ways to connect with our community!

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