



AWAKEN HOUSTON

THE DEAD SHALL RISE



HOUSTON
CHINESE CHURCH
曉士頓中國教會

Unlocked By His Death

The Preacher: Jason Tarn

Sunday, April 13, 2025 | 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
Testimony Sharing
Pastoral Prayer
Scripture Reading, *Matthew 27:32-54*
Worship in the Word, Pastor Jason Tarn
“Unlocked by His Death” - [Sermon Outline](#)
Worship in Song
Benediction & Doxology

Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday commemorates Jesus's final entrance into Jerusalem before his death and resurrection.

UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

Every Sunday at 9:15 AM

No Tomb Can Hold Him

April 20 | *Matthew 27:55-28:15* | Henry Ow

The Idol of Family

April 27 | *Genesis 30:1-24* | Andrew Bywaters

Finding Favor

May 4 | *Genesis 30:25-31:16* | Jason Tarn

Coming Home

May 11 | *Genesis 31:17-55* | Henry Ow

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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.

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

Shepherding a Child's Heart | Rm 115

Systematic Theology Survey (Part 3 of 3) | Rm 210



The Dead Shall Rise: A City-Wide Praying & Fasting Initiative (HCPN)
Unlocked by His Death
Matthew 27:32-54

Our series has been centered on biblical passages where God raises the dead. In Matthew's gospel, there's a unique and peculiar reference to dead saints being raised to life and emerging from their tombs, after Jesus's resurrection, appearing to many in Jerusalem. That moment hints at the earthshaking, life-changing consequences of Jesus's death on the cross.

1. The shameful agony he willingly endured (vv32-44)
2. The divine desertion he acutely felt (vv45-50)
3. The cosmic upheaval his death affected (vv51-54)

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Care Package Distribution | Today, April 13th | After Service | Lobby

Pick up a care package after service in the lobby 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.

All Church Prayer Service | Today, April 13th (Second Sundays) | 5:00pm | Chapel

To mobilize more regular, corporate prayer, among all three congregations, we are piloting a new All Church Prayer Service that aims to take place monthly at 5pm every second Sunday of the month. A potluck will immediately follow. April's potluck theme is *Soups & Salads* (including chili and congee). Nursery care is available for ages 3 & under.

Evangelism Training | Wednesday, April 16th | 8:00pm-9:00pm | Zoom

Join us as we go through Christianity Explained, an evangelistic tool going through the gospel of Mark, together as we see how God may open the door for us to share the good news with loved ones seeking God revealed in the Living Word.

Training Link: hcc.lv/training. Questions? Email us at englishlocaloutreach@hcchome.org

Good Friday Service | Friday, April 18th | 6:00pm | Sanctuary

Join us on Good Friday for a bilingual service. Nursery care available for ages 3 & under.

F3 Family & Friends Workout | Saturday, April 19th | 8:30am-9:30am | Parking Lot

Join us for an Easter F3 Family and Friends Workout followed by Coffeeteria located at the rear parking lot behind the church. Hydration and equipment provided.

Contact david.cheong921@gmail.com

Resurrection Sunday Sunrise Service | Sunday, April 20th | 7:00am | Hermann Park

Our annual sunrise service will be held again on top of the hill by Miller Outdoor Theater. Come worship with us at 7am and bring breakfast + picnic blankets to share!

YWAM Toy Collection

YWAM Chico Missions Collecting new and gently used small toys to give as prizes in Mexico. We will take these toys in our luggage, so please donate toys smaller than your fist. Examples: Hot Wheels vehicles and Happy Meal toys. Please leave toys in the collection box in the lobby between the welcome tables. Collection ends on June 15th.

FAMILY LIFE EVENTS

Easter Egg Hunt | Wednesday, April 16th | 9:30am-11:30am | Fire Truck Park

MOLO (Mothers of Little Ones) will be having an Easter Egg Hunt and play date this Wednesday at Fire Truck Park! Play dates are 1st and 3rd Wed of the month. For questions, or inclement weather, please contact Yi Wang at eeex101@gmail.com

DISASTER RELIEF

Kindergarten Project in Cambodia

Last year, our Cambodia missions team visited the plot of land to build a kindergarten school that would serve as a local outreach and gospel ministry center. The goal is to raise \$10,000 for the school building. For every dollar donated, the church will match, dollar-for-dollar, up to \$5,000. To donate to this ministry, please pay by cash or check to HCC. Please write "Cambodia Kindergarten Project" on check memo line and on offering envelope if donating by cash. Deadline is Friday, May 30th. For questions, contact Minister Linh at linhp@hcchome.org

Support for Myanmar Earthquake Relief

If you'd like to help those affected by the earthquake in Myanmar, donate at: hcc.lv/relief

HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR APRIL 6, 2025

HCC WORSHIP

PEARLAND WORSHIP

288

82

206

65

106

54

16

817

ENGLISH

CANTONESE

MANDARIN

YOUTH

CHILDREN

COMBINED

CHILDREN

TOTAL



HCC SUNDAY SCHOOL

PEARLAND SUNDAY SCHOOL

73

59

85

11

24

-

10

ENGLISH

CANTONESE

MANDARIN

ENGLISH

MANDARIN

YOUTH

CHILDREN



APRIL 6, 2025

OFFERINGS

YTD RECEIVED

YTD (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS

THIS YEAR

LAST YEAR

HCC GENERAL

\$19,264.73

\$552,400.82

(\$85,594.98)

(\$236,224.19)

PCC GENERAL

\$6,897.00

\$61,183.00

HCC BUILDING

\$12,086.00

\$159,140.23

ORIGINAL PLEDGE
PAYMENTS

\$85,738.30

\$463,140.73

RENOVATION PLEDGE
PAYMENTS

\$2,000.00

\$105,874.46



LUNCH PREPARATION

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

Jamison & Tiffany/Joe & Rachel (this week)

Aihua (next week)



STAFF ITINERARY

James Chang: Vacation, 4/13-17.

Jason Tarn: Vacation, 4/17.

Linh Phan: Vacation, 4/15-17.



PRAYER

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

hcc.lv/pray25

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PAYPAL GIVING FUND



PPGF GIVING CODES

Your donation will default to the General Fund, unless you use a code to designate a fund (e.g. \$250.25 for a pledge fulfillment).

"27" - Fulfilling your Renovation Pledge

"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!

Sign Up for Our Newsletter | hcc.lv/news

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



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Good Friday Service

Behold the man upon a cross

**FRIDAY, APRIL 18TH
6PM AT SANCTUARY**



0-3 years old childcare provided

Resurrection Sunday

Sunrise Service

SUNDAY | APRIL 20 | 7 AM

HERMANN PARK - MILLER OUTDOOR THEATER
RAIN OR SHINE - BRING BREAKFAST TO SHARE
JOIN US FOR WORSHIP AFTERWARDS AT HCC!