

If God is For Us

The Life and Trials of Joseph



Shaming the Strong Preacher: Jason Tarn

Sunday, September 28, 2025 | 9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

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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

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading, Genesis 38:1-30

Worship in the Word, Jason Tarn

"Shaming the Strong" - Sermon Outline

Worship in Song

Benediction & Doxology

Offertory

Offertory is an expression of our allegience to God's rule by willingly submiting what God has given us for his works and purposes as a conscious act of worship.



UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

Every Sunday at 9:15 AM

The Lord Was With Him

October 5 | Genesis 39 | Jason Tarn

The Lord Does Not Forget

October 12 | Genesis 40 | Jason Tarn

English Service Conducted at Trinity Pines

October 19 | No service at HCC Location

He Exalts the Humbled

October 26 | Genesis 41 | Melvin Huang



ONLINE

Sermon notes and video recordings can be found here: hcc.lw/sermons





ENGLISH ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

New Testament Survey (Part 1 of 3): Matthew-Acts | Rm 210
Passing Faith to Gen X, Gen Y (Millenials), and Gen Z | No Class
Christian Ethics (Part 1 of 3) | Rm 115



SERMON NOTES

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Genesis 38:1–30

Genesis 38 is a microcosm of the book at large. Every story presents raw and honest portrayals of these biblical characters, highlighting God's grace when they fall. In Judah's case, his story arc swiftly descends into a sordid mess of sin and shame. But, by the end, he confesses and undergoes a transformation that explains the profound change in him when he reappears later in the narrative.



2. A breakthrough for Judah

3. A salvation for God's covenant people

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

50th Anniversary Retreat "One Church, One Future" | *October 17th–19th* | *Trinity Pines* Join us as we celebrate five decades of God's faithfulness with a weekend full of fellowship, spiritual growth, and joyful reflection as a whole church - while looking ahead to all that's to come. Congratulations to *Liu Li Xia* for being lucky winner of a free Church lunch booklet! Registration will close on 9/30. We hope to see you there! Register or learn more here: *hcc.lv/retreat*.

Weekly Churchwide Legacy Ministry | *Every Wednesday* | *10:00 AM-2:00 PM* | *HCC* Older adults are welcome to join. For more info, contact Eugene Leong at *eyleong@yahoo.com*. To view past Legacy Ministry exercises, search "Trainer June at HCC" on YouTube or Facebook.

Henry and Laura - Long Term Update | *October 5th* | *1:00 PM-2:00 PM* | *Youth Room* Henry and Laura are back in town—from Malaysia! Come learn about our new location, the diverse unreached peoples there, and potential opportunities for HCC to partner with us. There will be snacks and gifts, and we will almost certainly talk about food. All are welcome - see you there!

MOLO Playdate | Monday, Oct. 6th | 9:30am-11:00am | Fire Truck Park MOLO (Mothers of Little Ones) will have a playdate next Monday at Fire Truck Park! Playdates are now 1st and 3rd MONDAY of the month. For questions or inclement weather, contact Yi Wang eeex101@gmail.com.

F3 Men's Workout Group | *Saturdays* | *6:30 AM-7:30 AM* | *HCC Rear Parking* Join us for a FREE F3 workout located at the rear parking lot. Please enter through the kitchen side driveway or back alley. Contact David Cheong for questions at *David.Cheong921@gmail.com*.

Thailand Sharing | October 12th | 1:00 PM-2:00 PM | Youth Room

Angela, Danielle, and Nathan will share about their experience on mid-term missions in Thailand and their plans moving forward. Come hear about what God is doing in Chiang Rai, specifically in church-planting ministry amongst unreached people groups. Refreshments will be provided.

2026 Elder/Deacon Meet & Greet | *Sunday, Oct 12th* | *12:45PM* | *Room 210* Join us for the Meet & Greet! We'll enjoy some snacks, light refreshments, and introduce new elders and deacons the Lord has raised. All church members are welcome to participate and pray together for the church.

Father-Daughter Retreat | November 7th-9th | Camp Cho-Yeh

Father–Daughter Retreat is designed to give fathers and their middle school daughter(s) a time of bonding, sharing, and connecting with God and each other. For more information and to register, go to hcc.lv/fdretreat25

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Community Bible Study | Thursdays, Sept. 5th, 2025–May 7th, 2026 | 9:15 AM–11:15 AM | HCC Come learn how to really study the Bible as we spend 30 weeks in the book of Psalms. CBS Houston is a nondenominational, nonpolitical, in-depth Bible study with excellent study materials, small core groups—in person and online—for women, men and children, practical teaching time and fellowship—all wrapped in prayer. Info and registration: houston.cbsclass.org/.

Bike Clinic/Trunk n' Treat | *Saturday, Oct 25th* | *3:00 PM-6:00PM* | *HCC Parking Lot* Join us for a two-part community outreach!

- Bike clinic: Learn to ride, free bike helmet, enjoy bike safety lessons, and get your bike inspected. No bike required.
- 2. Trunk n' Treat: fellowship and small groups hosting decorated trunk stations with games, activities, food court, and bag of candy for kids. Visit *hcc.lv/info* for details. We are collecting unopened bags of candy until October 19th please drop them in the designated box in the lobby.

HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

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PCC GENERAL	\$1,710.00	\$152,642.00			
HCC BUILDING	\$30,360.00	\$300,349.71			
ORIGINAL PLEDGE PAYMENTS	\$700.00	\$879,223.49			
RENOVATION PLEDGE PAYMENTS	\$1,250.00	\$742,594.81			



STAFF ITINERARY

Dinah Koh: Vacation, 10/5–10/15

Linh Phan: Missions Organization's Meeting, 10/1–10/5



LUNCH PREPARATION

Newcomers can pick up a free lunch coupon & voucher to book stall at the Welcome Desk! *Patrick & Debbie/Ken & Rebecca* (this week) *Enoch/Jachin/Crossroads* (next week)



PRAYER

Join us as we pray for our long term workers in this month's Global Outreach Spotlight: hcc.lv/pray25



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 Vistor'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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