HARBOUR CITY CHURCH

Sunday Worship

21 APRIL 2024



(Charles Spurgeon)

"The church suffers when it compromises with the world and dilutes the message of salvation for the sake of popularity."

(Andrew Murray)

"Humility is perfect quietness of heart. It is to expect nothing, to wonder at nothing that is done to me, to feel nothing done against me. It is to be at rest when nobody praises me, and when I am blamed or despised."

(J.C. Ryle)

"The reward of God surpasses all earthly treasures, for it is eternal and satisfies the deepest longing of the soul."

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Presider: E. David Choi Preacher: P. Jim Jung

Please stand where indicated by *

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 108:1-4

(Please aloud together the words in bold italics)

Hear now the Word of the Lord!

Our heart is steadfast, O God!

We will sing and make melody with all our being!

Awake, O harp and lyre!

We will awake the dawn!

We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;

We will sing praises to you among the nations.

For your steadfast love is great above the heavens;

Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

SILENT CONFESSION

Let us continue to draw nearer to God by confessing, repenting and bearing of our hearts before our loving Heavenly Father. Be transparent and earnest, bringing the offering of broken and contrite heart before the Lord who knows us better than we know ourselves. He is more willing to forgive than we are to repent!

(Silent Private Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In Christ, our sins are covered!

Hear the good news of the forgiveness of your sins!

Isaiah 58:4

"8'In overflowing anger for a moment I hid my face from you, but with everlasting love I will have compassion on you,' says the Lord, your Redeemer."

PRAYER OF ADORATION

(Presider)

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism

(Confess aloud altogether the answer in **bold italics** as a Believing Congregation)

Lord's Day 16

SECOND PART: OF GOD THE SON

41. Why was He "buried?"

To show thereby that He was really dead.

42. Since, then, Christ died for us, why must we also die?

Our death is not a satisfaction for our sin, but only a dying to sin and an entering into eternal life.

43. What further benefit do we receive from the sacrifice and death of Christ on the cross?

That by His power our old man is with Him crucified, slain, and buried; so

that the evil lusts of the flesh may no more reign in us, but that we may offer ourselves unto Him a sacrifice of thanksgiving.

44. Why is it added: "He descended into hell?"

That in my greatest temptations I may be assured that Christ my Lord, by His inexpressible anguish, pains, and terrors, which He suffered in His soul on the cross and before, has redeemed me from the anguish and torment of hell.

***SONGS OF PRAISE**

Your Grace is Enough Hope has a Name Once for All

< Preschool Children are excused for "Bible Story Time">

OFFERING PRAYER & INTERCESSION

(Rebecca)

To help you think about your level of giving, here is the financial snapshot of HCC for this month:

Giving: \$7,908.12

Total April Giving: \$17,578.86

Sydney Space Balance: \$189,549.56 Monthly Giving Target: \$28,000.00

General Tithes & Offering VS Sydney Space Offering

These are two separate HCC accounts (BSB: 082 057).

For General Tithes and Offerings (16 207 4037); and specifically for Sydney Space (32 844 5724).

At the end of each month, 10% of all general tithes and offerings will go towards SS account as "seed money". Please DO NOT reroute your general giving towards SS account. SS is specifically to give above and beyond your general commitment.

SERMON

Living in the Last Days series: "The Suffering Church of God"

1 Peter 5:1-11

- 1. Why does the church suffer?
- 2. How to reduce suffering
- 3. The reward of faithful suffering

MEMBERSHIP

*RESPONSIVE SONG

Amazing Grace

*BENEDICTION

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

"²³Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it."

WELCOME TO HCC!

We are a gospel centered church seeking the renewal of our city by the transforming power of the gospel of Jesus Christ to the glory of God! We are so glad to have you join us for our worship service today.

If you're with us for the first time, please let us know who you are by filling out our please fill out the 'Newcomers Form' here and we'll get in touch!

SUNDAY WORSHIP

We'd love for you to join us for our weekly Sunday services. You can join us in person. Our live stream is available by request only, by filling out this form here. Past sermons can be found here.

- 10:00AM Harbour Tea
- 10:30AM Worship Service

CHURCH LOCATION

41B College Street, Gladesville NSW 2111

OFFERING

Offering is part of our worship to God. The Bible gives us an enduring principle of tithing of our gross income as the baseline for the Christian's worship through giving (2 Cor 9:7; Malachi 3:8-10). If every church member gave 10%, we would have enough financial resources for all the gospel ministry God is calling our church to do. Let the Spirit guide you in all final matters.

You may give electronically to the account details below:

Account Name: Harbour City

Church

BSB: 082 057

Account No.: 16 207 4037

Account Name: HCC Sydney Space

BSB: 082 057

Account No.: 32 844 5724

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Harbour City Church welcomes families with children of all ages to the Sunday worship services. An "open creche" area is provided at the back of the venue for parents to use with their babies and toddlers. Bible Story Time for children who are preschool aged takes place during Sunday services, except on the 5th Sunday of the month, and begins just before the sermon. If you have any questions about Children's Ministry, please contact Gloria.

GROWTH GROUPS

GGs are small group support and accountability units, available to all members and regulars. It is the core discipleship ministry of HCC.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

CGs meet for dinner every weekend when there is a 5th Sunday in the month. CGs gather in homes for wider church bonding and fellowship in various locations around Sydney.

ELDERS

Jim Jung	Sijin Yang
Senior Pastor	Associate Pastor
0430 423 986	0415 058 976
Jason Ju	David Choi
Ruling Elder	Ruling Elder
0422 647 599	0433 666 991

KEEP IN TOUCH

Find us online for regular posts, reflections and to get to know us a little better via our Facebook, Instagram and website.

Facebook: @harbourcitychurch

Instagram: @hcc_syd

www.harbourcitychurch.com

COMMUNITY BIBLE READING

Please join us in daily reading of God's word as a church body. There is an app available for the reading plan 'Community Bible Reading' and a link available here.

PRAYING THROUGH YOUR PEN

1. Adoration

3. Thanksgiving

Praise the Father for His attributes and actions

Thank Jesus for His salvation

2. Confession

4. Supplication

Confess and acknowledge your

Ask the Spirit to transform you

sinfulness

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What are the reasons listed in the sermon for the suffering of the church (or Christians)?
- 2. What can the believers do in faith to reduce as much suffering as possible?
- 3. What is the reward from God at the end of our faithful suffering?
- 4. What was the most helpful/challenging/encouraging part of the sermon for you?

WHAT'S ON AT HCC

WELCOME TO HCC

Thank you for joining our HCC worship. If you are new to our church, we want to welcome you and would love to get to know you. Please fill out the 'Newcomers Form' here and we'll get in touch! For any more information about anything or to respond to any announcements, you can always email info@harbourcitychurch.com

TBS: ENGAGING WITH CULTS

What qualifies a group as a cult? Can you recognize a cult, or engage a them in a gospel conversation? We'll look at a number of cults in our area — what they believe, and how to defend the gospel — at TBS on **Wednesday 24th April at 7:30PM**. Please join us!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY FLOWER WORKSHOP

Calling all sisters to join us for a flower workshop led by our very own in-house florist, Naim. Learn how to arrange your favourite flowers just in time for Mother's Day! Join us on Saturday 4 May, 11AM, at church for brunch too.

\$40 covers the whole session!

Please register here: Flower Workshop Rego

PASTOR JIM'S SABBATICAL

Pastor Jim Jung is on a sabbatical for 5 months from May to September 2024. Pastor Jim's goal for his sabbatical is to rest, pray, and work on personal & professional development. Your prayers are appreciated!

SAVE THE DATE- HCC CAMP

Singles: Fri 5th July – Sun 7th July Married: Fri 11th Oct – Sun 13th Oct

For any additional details or questions, please contact Jess L.

2024 HCC CAMP MERCH

Help us plan HCC merch for the year. Even if you're unsure, please fill out the form HERE. Any questions, please reach out to Jess Lee.

GROWTH GROUPS

Be sure to get connected in these small group meetings for care, accountability, sermon reflection, prayer, and fellowship. If you'd like to get plugged into a group, contact P. Jim, Elder David, Delaney, or email info@harbourcitychurch.com.

BIBLICAL THEOLOGY WORKSHOP BY NANCY GUTHRIE

Date: Saturday 1 June, 9AM-4PM

Calling all women to attend a Biblical theology workshop held by Nancy Guthrie. \$75 dollars for the whole day with morning and afternoon tea provided. See you all there!

Please register here: https://signupforms.com/registrations/35147

NEWTOWN MISSION: VOLUNTEERING AT JORDAN CAFE

Join us for Jordan Cafe volunteering on Thursday evenings. Service starts at 6PM, followed by dinner service at 7PM. Contact Keara for further information.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

· Women's Ministry: Contact Sarah G or Louise

Welcoming and Data: Contact Delaney

Slides: Contact Dave

City Sanctum Steering Committee: Contact Brent

Sunday Program: Contact Michelle

Praise: Contact Kev