

HARBOUR
CITY CHURCH

Sunday Program

10 December 2023



(Saint James of Jerusalem)

“King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood; Lord of Lords in human vesture in the body and the blood. He will give to all the faithful his own self for heav’nly food.”

(RC Sproul)

“Theology must always end in doxology: the joyful praise of our Creator; otherwise we have not truly studied the things of God.”

(Thomas Brooks)

“Nothing humbles and breaks the heart of a sinner like mercy and love. Souls that converse much with sin and wrath, may be much terrified; but souls that converse much with grace and mercy, will be much humbled.”

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Presider: Jason Ju

Preacher: P. Sijin Yang

Please stand where indicated by *

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 125:1-5

¹ Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever.

² As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people, from this time forth and forevermore.

³ For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest on the land allotted to the righteous, lest the righteous stretch out their hands to do wrong.

⁴ Do good, O LORD, to those who are good, and to those who are upright in their hearts!

⁵ But those who turn aside to their crooked ways the LORD will lead away with evildoers! Peace be upon Israel!

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!

Micah 7:18-19

"¹⁸Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. ¹⁹He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea."

PRAYER OF ADORATION

(Presider)

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Week 50: "Lord's Prayer"

101. What do we pray for in the first petition?

A. In the first petition, which is, Hallowed be thy name, we pray that God would enable us, and others, to glorify him in all that whereby he makes himself known; and that he would dispose all things to his own glory.

102. What do we pray for in the second petition?

A. In the second petition, which is, Thy kingdom come, we pray that Satan's kingdom may be destroyed; and that the kingdom of grace may be advanced, ourselves and others brought into it, and kept in it; and that the kingdom of glory may be hastened.

OFFERING & DEDICATION

Word of Dedication: "Giving to a Sovereign King"

Psalm 50:8-11

"⁸Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you; your burnt offerings are continually before me. ⁹I will not accept a bull from your house or goats from your folds. ¹⁰For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills. ¹¹I know all the birds of the hills, and all that moves in the field is mine."

SONGS OF PRAISE*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION & INTERCESSION

(Cyril)

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

Giving: 29th November - 5th December = \$4,823.00

Total November Giving = \$20,493.90

Sydney Space Balance: \$165,316.58

Monthly Budget: \$25,833.00

GENERAL TITHES & OFFERINGS 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.

<Preschool children are excused for Bible Story Time>

SERMON

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Christmas Advent #2

"Mary's Song" - Luke 1:46-56

1. Praise God from whom all blessings flow

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RESPONSIVE SONG*

BENEDICTION*

Revelation 1:5b-6

"To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen."

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
Senior Pastor

0430 423 986

Jason Ju
Ruling Elder

0422 647 599

Sijin Yang
Associate Pastor

0415 058 976

David Choi
Ruling Elder

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_sydney](#)

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

Praise the Father for His attributes and actions

2. Confession

Confess and acknowledge your sinfulness

3. Thanksgiving

Thank Jesus for His salvation

4. Supplication

Ask the Spirit to transform you

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why does Mary praise God? What kind of an example of worship does she model for us?
2. How has God blessed Mary, the humble from generation to generation, and his servant Israel all at once?
3. What does it look like for you to live life in light of God's mercy in Christ today?
4. What is 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

31 DAYS OF PRAYER

HCC is going to have 31 Days of Prayer for the month of December. We want to commit to being a prayerful church and so each day in December we'll have a different prayer point that we can all pray for. We encourage you to join us as we pray.

Find the prayer points by joining our Facebook Group, signing up for the HCC email newsletter, following us on Instagram, or checking out our website - harbourcitychurch.com

HCC BOOKSTORE

Did you know that we have a bookstore? In the corner of the sanctuary, you'll see two bookshelves that aren't just for show. Over the years, we've collected Christian books on relationships, shame, grief, systematic theology, apologetics, and more that are available for purchase. Give the bookstore a look, if you find a book you like, scan the QR code on the sign to buy it.

CHRISTMAS EVE SUNDAY

Join us for worship on Sunday the 24th as we worship and celebrate Christmas. We'll also have lunch and a church Christmas party so please plan to stay after service.

GROWTH GROUPS

Growth Groups meet every week except for during school holidays. If you're not plugged into a group yet, be sure to get connected in these small group meetings for care, accountability, sermon reflection, prayer, and fellowship.

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If you'd like to get plugged into a group, contact P. Jim, Elder David, Delaney, Sarah G, or email info@harbourcitychurch.com

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

- Welcoming and Data- Contact Delaney
- Slides- Contact Dave
- City Sanctum Steering Committee- Contact Brent
- Design- Contact Liz
- Video: Contact Liz
- Sunday Program: Contact Michelle
- Praise: Contact Kev