HARBOUR CITY CHURCH

Sunday Program

22 October 2023



(Martyn Lloyd-Jones)

"The ultimate test of our spirituality is the measurement of our amazement at the grace of God."

(B.B. Warfield)

"God does not love us because we are valuable; we are valuable because God loves us."

(Jonathan Edwards)

"Fear arises from a sense of our own weakness. Perfect love implies a full confidence in the power and goodness of God."

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Presider: P. Sijin Yang Preacher: P. Jim Jung

Please stand where indicated by *

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 119:137-144

- ¹³⁷ Righteous are you, O Lord, and right are your rules.
- ¹³⁸ You have appointed your testimonies in righteousness and in all faithfulness.
- ¹³⁹ My zeal consumes me, because my foes forget your words.
- ¹⁴⁰ Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it.
- ¹⁴¹ I am small and despised, yet I do not forget your precepts.
- ¹⁴² Your righteousness is righteous forever, and your law is true.
- ¹⁴³ Trouble and anguish have found me out, but your commandments are my delight.
- ¹⁴⁴ Your testimonies are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live.

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 49:15, 66:13

"Can a woman forget her nursing child, that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you. ...As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem."

PRAYER OF ADORATION

(Presider)

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Week 43: "Repentance unto life"

87. What is repentance that leads to life?

A. Repentance that leads to life is a saving grace by which a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin and awareness of the mercy of God in Christ, turns from it to God with grief and hatred of his sin, purposing and working constantly for a new obedience.

OFFERING & DEDICATION

Word of Dedication: "Being God's Worshipful People"

Deuteronomy 10:12-13

"12 "And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require of you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, ¹³ and to keep the commandments and statutes of the Lord, …?"

SONGS OF PRAISE*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION & INTERCESSION

(Jason P)

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

Giving: 11th October - 17th October = \$4,536.95

Total October Giving = \$12,343.95 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.

<Pre><Preschool children are excused for Bible Story Time>

SERMON

"Living in the Last Days" Series

> back to quotes

"God is Love" - 1 John 4:7-21

- 1. God is love!
- 2. Let us love!
- 3. How do we love?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RESPONSIVE SONG*

BENEDICTION*

1 Timothy 6:15b-16

"he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, ¹⁶ who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. 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

Account Name: HCC Sydney

Space

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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

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. How can the essence of God be described as love itself? How has God expressed His love?
- 2. In what way is "fear" contrary to love? What fears do you find yourself struggling with?
- 3. How can we emulate God's love as Christians?
- 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

OPEN CHURCH

Saturday 28th October 4 - 8:30pm

Sunday 29th October 10am - 2pm

Open Church, our last flagship event of the year, is happening here at HCC on 28-29th October. This is an open event, so invite your friends! Come along for some great food, live music, and get to know our church community as we explore how the grace of our perfectly Good Saviour reflects how we should conduct the life of the church.

RSVP on the Facebook event and invite others.

TBS: EVANGELISM

Wednesday 25th October 7:30pm

Join us as we explore the important call to evangelism and learn some practical tools to help us share the good news of the gospel.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday 5th November

Please stay after service on Sunday 5th November for a brief but important congregational meeting. We will vote to receive our amended Constitution and also hear an update on the Session's vision for Harbour City Church going forward. All members will receive the updated Constitution by email later today to review. Please send any questions or comments to Pastor Jim.

WHAT'S ON AT HCC

WOMEN'S BOOKS & BRUNCH

Saturday 18th November 10am

Join us for a fun time of book sharing/swapping and morning tea. See you all at church, 10am on the 18th of November. Please let Sarah Gho or Louise know if you have any questions.

HCC JAPAN MISSION TRIP

We regret to announce that the December missions trip to Japan has been cancelled, as our partner missionaries in Japan do not currently have adequate tasks requiring our help. Other opportunities for 2024 are being considered. Please talk with Brent Kooi if you have interest in participating in an overseas mission trip.

HCC CAMP

Save the Date!

Singles Camp: Friday 5 July to Sunday 7 July

Married Camp: Friday 11 October to Sunday 13 October

More info soon!

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.

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.

WHAT'S ON AT HCC

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