

HARBOUR
CITY CHURCH

Sunday Program

27 August 2023



(J. I. Packer)

“The Holy Spirit's main ministry is not to give thrills but to create in us Christ-like character.”

(Saint Augustine)

“O Holy Spirit, descend plentifully into my heart. Enlighten the dark corners of this neglected dwelling and scatter there Thy cheerful beams.”

(Charles Spurgeon)

“Every growth of spiritual life, from the first tender shoot until now, has been the work of the Holy Spirit.... The only way to more life is the Holy Spirit. You will not even know that you want more unless He works in you to desire it.... The Spirit of God must come and make the letter alive, transfer it to your heart, set it on fire, and make it burn within you, or else its divine force and majesty will be hid from your eyes.... Prayer is the creation of the Holy Spirit. We cannot do without prayer, and we cannot pray without the Holy Spirit.”

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Presider: Brent Kooi

Preacher: Sijin Yang

Please stand where indicated by *

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 119:65-68

⁶⁵*You have dealt well with your servant, O LORD, according to your word.*

⁶⁶*Teach me good judgment and knowledge, for I believe in your commandments.*

⁶⁷*Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I keep your word.*

⁶⁸*You are good and do good; teach me your statutes.*

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!

Psalm 103:17-18

“¹⁷ But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children’s children, ¹⁸ to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments.”

PRAYER OF ADORATION

(Presider)

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Week 35: “Fifth Commandment”

65. What is forbidden in the fifth commandment?

A. The fifth commandment forbids the neglect of, or doing anything against, the honor and duty that belongs to everyone in their various places and relations to us.

66. What is the reason added to the fifth commandment?

A. The reason added to the fifth commandment is a promise of long life and prosperity (as far as it serves for God’s glory and their own good) to all who keep this commandment.

OFFERING & DEDICATION

Word of Dedication: "Our Self-Giving God"

2 Corinthians 8:1-5

¹We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, ²for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. ³For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, ⁴begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— ⁵and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us.

SONGS OF PRAISE*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION & INTERCESSION

(Noolee Lee)

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

Giving: 16th August - 22nd August = \$7640.65

Total August Giving = \$16628.65

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.

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MEMBERSHIP AND BAPTISM

THE LORD'S SUPPER

<Preschool children are excused for Bible Story Time>

SERMON

"The Counsel and Comfort of the Holy Spirit" – John 16:4b-15

1. The Comfort of the Holy Spirit
2. The Counsel of the Holy Spirit

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RESPONSIVE SONG*

BENEDICTION*

Philippians 4:7

"⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

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

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David Choi
Ruling Elder

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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. How is it to our advantage that Jesus physically went away? How does the Holy Spirit coming as a Helper comfort you?
2. How has the Holy Spirit convicted you of sin, righteousness, and judgment? How does this help to shape an eternal perspective on life?
3. How does the Holy Spirit guide you into all the truth? How does the truth guide you in making life decisions?
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 - SAVE THE DATE

SAVE THE DATE: Open Church, our last flagship event of the year, happening 28th and 29th October. Location to be at HCC. This is an open event, so invite your friends! Stay tuned for more details to come in a few weeks!

TOPICAL BIBLE STUDY

God calls us to make peace with one another, but what does that look like and how do we do it well? Pastor Jim led us through Part 1 of our look at Peace Pursuit focusing especially on the importance of going to God first as we seek peace with others.

Join us on Wednesday 30th August at 7:30PM for Part 2 as we explore further and look especially at possible next steps for resolving conflicts with one another.

MEN'S SPORT DAY 2.0

Calling all brothers!

Join us for another time of fellowship through basketball and volleyball on Saturday 16 September.

Location: Ryde Community Sports Centre ELS Hall Park

10 - 12pm: Basketball, 4 v 4 (1 Half Court Booked)

12 - 1pm: Volleyball, 6 v 6 (1 Full Court Booked)

Hang out for lunch afterwards. Facebook event will be created this week, so please RSVP. For any questions, please reach out to Jason Pak.

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WHAT'S ON AT HCC

WORKING BEE- CHURCH CLEAN UP

Saturday 9th September 10AM

We need your help and supplies to clean up the church after the renovations are finished. See Brent for more info or to sign up to help!

CITY SANCTUM

City Sanctum will relaunch on Thursday 14th September with dinner at West Ryde Hotel! Mark your calendars if you'd like to attend, and watch for more information coming soon including a brief preview event during lunch on Sunday 10 September! For any questions, reach out to Brent.

IJM FREEDOM SUNDAY AT HCC

Mercy & Justice is bringing in Hiroko Sawai, Senior Associate in Advocacy Research at International Justice Mission, to speak on Sunday September 24th to share stories of liberation, the work of advocacy and our role (the Church) in the fight against modern slavery.

Stick around after church for lunch and to learn more from Hiroko.

HCC JAPAN MISSION TRIP

While the dates are not yet confirmed, the likely dates are 4-15 December 2023. More information is forthcoming soon! Contact Brent for more info.

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

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WHAT'S ON AT HCC

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- Contact Brent
- Design- Contact Liz
- Design Contact Liz