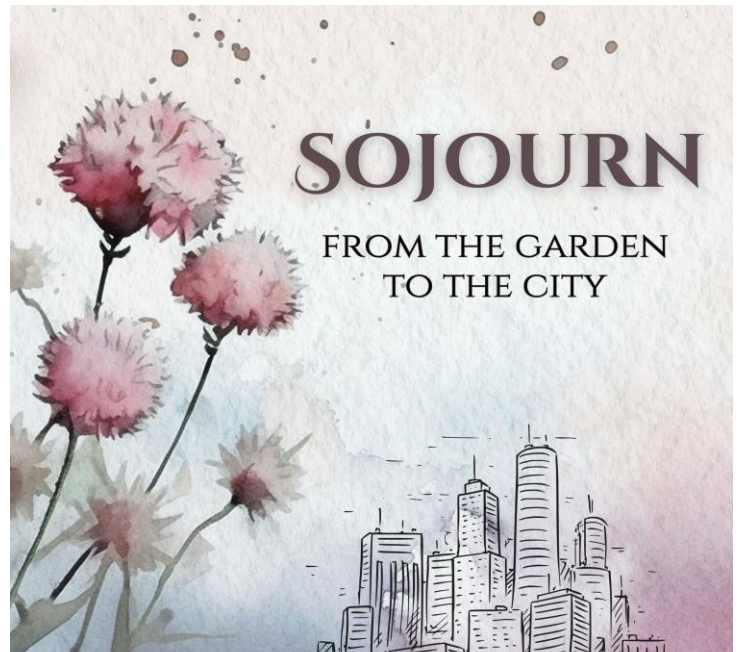


Sunday Worship

March 30, 2025 • 9:30 am

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Worship is an integral part of God's family of faith. May you sense His presence as you join us online or in-person today.



WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 40:28-29

Leader: Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

People: He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom.

All: He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.

SONGS OF PRAISE (download song lyrics [here](#))

*King Of Kings
Only King Forever*

CALL TO CONFESSION

Romans 12:1-2

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION & PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS

GLORIA PATRI

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS*

Online Giving: (fees are incurred by the church) www.hackberrycreekchurch.com; click "Give Online" at the bottom of the page OR to use PayPal: Go to PayPal.Me/hackberrycreekchurch.

OFFERING SONG (download song lyrics [here](#))

You Alone Can Rescue

* Prayer Deacons, [Dave Brown](#) and [Juanita Sullivan](#) are available during the service offering time and afterwards down front. They are also available for prayers by email during the week.

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Following the Message, children ages 4 thru 1st grade are invited to go with adult leaders to Children's Worship (across from Patterson Hall) for song, prayer & reading of the Word. The children will return to the sanctuary before worship ends.

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Chronicles 16

Please follow along in your Bible

SERMON

"Don't Take the Detour"

Walter Teter

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

LIFE & WORK OF THE CHURCH

Easter Prayer Vigil

Rachel Nelson

CLOSING SONG (download song lyrics [here](#))

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus/Amazing Grace

CREED OF THE REFORMED CHURCH OF FRANCE

I believe in God the Father Almighty, our Creator.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, our Comforter.

I believe in the triune God;
In His holiness which condemns me,
In His love which redeems me,
And in His presence which renews me. Amen.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SUNDAY WORSHIP

On **Communion Sunday, April 6**, Pastor Jonathan will be preaching from Luke 9:57-62, "The Sojourning Stranger". Congratulations to Pastor Jonathan for celebrating 6 years this month as Pastor of Hackberry Creek Church! We are so blessed by your service and appreciate all that you do. "Happy Pastoral Anniversary" and thank you for helping us to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ!

HCC Music Ministry would like to thank today's worship musicians: Craig Allen (guitar), Holly Guelich (vocals), Suhaan Kallu (guitar), Martin McCall (drums), Joe Mehling (trombone, horn section arrangements), Jack Teter (tuba), Michelle Wilkinson (violin, vocals), and Randy Wilkinson (bass, vocals).

HCC Library: *Spring* forward, then *hop* down to the HCC Library. There are books to accompany you through the Lenten season and on to a joyous Easter. Check it out!

Easter Sunday Lilies: To dedicate an Easter Lily in honor (or in memory) of someone special, the deadline is **April 13th**. Order forms are in the Narthex. Place your order form and check in the offering plate made out to: HCC ("Easter Lily" in the memo). Click [here](#) to order and pay online.

Nursery (Ages 3 and under): The nursery is open during Worship & Sunday School every Sunday from 9:15 am – 12:15 pm. For the safety of our children and nursery staff, the west doors will be locked after worship begins.

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

HCC Kids Sunday School (age 4 - 5th grade): Join us after worship in the education wing. Each class takes a Christ-centered, chronological look at the big story of the Bible; God's plan to rescue His people through His son, Jesus.

The Bridge Sunday School: All 6th-12th grade students are invited to this time of community, fellowship, and learning after worship. Students are walking through *The New City Catechism*, discussing questions and answers that help summarize our theology and put it into our own words; led by our Youth & Young Adult Ministry Director, Christian Brandon. Pastor Jonathan will also be holding Confirmation Class for the 9th graders.

Adult Sunday School (2 options):

Dan Sullivan continues his class in Patterson Hall, *Knowing God based on J.I. Packer's classic work. Knowing God* brings together two key facets of the Christian faith—knowing *about* God and *knowing* God through a close relationship with Jesus Christ. We'll join with the saints of the Bible and church history in coming to know God in even deeper and richer ways. This class will run up to Easter.

Dr. Jed Dowell and Walter Teter are teaching a new Sunday school class called, *Valleys: How the Lord Shows Up In Life's Low Points*. We will look at events in different valley locations throughout the Old Testament; how God showed up, and how people stepped out in faith during these low points of life. Join us in room 241 upstairs.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND MINISTRY UPDATES:

Hayes School of Wonder: Join us **tomorrow, March 31** on the playground at HCC for a **FREE Stay & Play** event! Come experience the wonder and joy that outdoor play-based learning brings. Check your *This Week @ HCC* Friday email to register and secure your spot for this free event.

Women's Evening Bible Study: Join us this **Tuesday, April 1** as we continue to learn how God used *Mountains and Valleys* to speak to His people; Biblical wisdom for life's highs and lows. We meet every 1st & 3rd Tuesday from 6:00 – 8:00 pm in Patterson Hall. Dinner is provided. Please email the church admin. [here](#) to reserve childcare.

MomComm: Moms of all ages, join us this **Wednesday, April 2** for fellowship, encouragement, & prayer. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month in Patterson Hall. Nursery childcare is provided. Email [Emily Tony](#) for questions.

Midday/Midweek Prayer: Every **Wednesday in Lent**, we are asking our entire HCC family to pray. We will host a brief prayer service in the Sanctuary at 12:00 noon every week, which anyone can attend, or you can use a prayer guide/journal wherever you find yourself at midday/midweek. Join us on **April 2** this week. Download the [Prayer Guide here](#).

The **16th Annual Men’s NCAA Basketball Championship watch party** will be held at the home of **Bobby & Rainie Finken** this year on **Monday April 7** at 7:00 pm (1032 Basilwood Dr, Coppell, TX). Kindly RSVP to Bobby at [Bobby Finken](#) or (214) 692-6969. Pizza, snacks, and drinks will be provided... just bring yourself! Please note this year’s location change.

Easter Prayer Vigil: Starting on Good Friday evening, March 18, HCC will again host an **Easter Prayer Vigil**. Please see the sign-up sheets in the narthex after worship. There are 28 one-hour time slots available from **8:00 pm Good Friday evening through 12:00 am Easter Sunday morning**. Your hour of prayer may be in your home or the church sanctuary.

HCC Kids Announcements:

Sign up for **April Kids Night Out!** We will have an Easter Egg Hunt, watch a movie, make crafts, and eat a kid-friendly dinner. Parents and guardians can get an evening away while the kids have a fun time in a safe environment. Register using this QR code. KNO is available for kids ages 6 months through 5th grade and is held from 6 - 9 pm on **Friday, April 11**.



Vacation Bible School: Sign up for **VBS** this summer, **June 2 – 5**, 9 am-noon. Scan the QR Code here to register for **Wonder Junction!** For children 4 years old (as of 6/2/2025) through going into 6th grade (Fall 2025). No fee to participate! Email [Walter Teter](#) for questions.



MPACT Missions Camp: This **summer, June 7 -13**, students who have completed 7th - 12th grades are invited to MPACT Missions Camp in Ponder, Texas. MPACT Missions hosts opportunities across Texas for youth service projects while creating space for worship, study, and fellowship with hundreds of other youth. **Register and pay the \$50 deposit by May 1**. Scan the QR Code or contact [Christian Brandon](#) for registration and more info!



MISSIONS AND GIVING UPDATES

Irving Cares would like to thank the congregation of HCC for your generous hearts and continued support. Your toilet paper, grocery sacks, peanut butter, and canned goods donations are so appreciated and are a continuous need to help our Irving neighbors facing financial crisis.

March Mission of the Month

Alongside Ministries: For over thirty years, Alongside Ministries has partnered with churches and ministry leaders to advance the Gospel in Europe and North America. Our purpose is to encourage and empower Christian leaders and churches through an international network of prayer, partnership, and practical help. We pray and labor toward the renewal of the Church in the post-Christian and secularized cultures of Europe and North America, coming alongside existing Churches, ministries and leaders to enhance what God is already doing. For more information visit <https://www.alongside.org> or contact the ministry liaison, [Kip Landwehr](#).

Financial Update

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
General Giving (<i>excludes mission giving</i>)	\$ 174,949	\$ 170,000	\$ 4,949
Expenditures	166,468	165,916	552
Net total through February 28, 2025	\$ 8,481	\$ 4,084	\$ 4,397

Note: 19 cents of every dollar given to HCC General Giving is directed toward missions outside of our church.

HCC CHURCH OFFICERS

HCC Elders

Class of 2025:

Craig Allen
Jane Gilbert
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Betty Mehling

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Greg Lindstrom
Gina Mitchell
Greg Vlahos

Class of 2027:

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Ken Killian
Robert Morrison
Debbie Watson

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Rachel Nelson

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- Jesus-shaped Identity
- Biblical Integrity
- Thoughtful Theology
- Accountable Community
- Egalitarian Ministry
- Missional Centrality
- Center-focused Spirituality
- Leadership Velocity
- Kingdom Vitality



www.fellowship.community/about/who-we-are

The Mission of Our Church:

Sharing Jesus Christ with Others and Growing as His Disciples

HCC Staff and Contact information:

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Monday - Thursday

Pastor, Jonathan J. Tony:

Director of Discipleship, Walter Teter:

Director of Music, Jaycie Skidmore:

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