

Welcome to Hamamatsu Sukuinushi Kyokai...**HSK!**

浜松救い主教会 2022-11-6

(Hamamatsu Church of the Savior)



Please believe us when we say....  
 "The first time you come here you are  
 a visitor...BUT...the second time  
 you are a friend!"

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**Hamamatsu Sukuinushi Kyokai (HSK) (Hamamatsu Church of the Savior)** is a Protestant group of Christians who are very dependent on God! We believe He is great, good, and holy! Anyone who has a desire to know Him and seeks fellowship with others is welcome to attend this church.

**Welcome Visitors!** We are so glad you came today. Please come again and again. And if there is any way we can assist you, please talk to our pastor or his wife, Ben or Ruth Fowler. We have been praying for you. A 'Baby Room' is available for anyone who has a small child.

'Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, in the city of our God, His holy mountain. Beautiful in elevation, the joy of the whole earth, is Mount Zion in the far north, the city of the great King. God, in her places, has made Himself known as a stronghold.

**Psalm 48:1-3**

**This Week's Events at HSK.....**

Date	Time & Details
11/6 Today!	<b>First Fasting and Prayer Day</b> 1:30 PM...Prayer Meeting for Israel 1:30 PM...Deacon's/Overseer's Meeting 6:55 PM...Gathering of Watchmen(Prayer) ('Live' Prayer Meeting on Internet)
11/7 (Mon.)	<b>Second Fasting and Prayer Day</b>
11/9 (Wed.)	1:30 PM...Prayer Meeting (Main Room)
11/11 (Fri.)	7:55 PM...Musicians & Worship Leader:Practice
11/13 (Sun.)	8:45 AM...Musicians & Worship Leader:Practice 9:55 AM...Singing, Sharing, Sunday School & Fellowship Time No Prayer Meeting Tonight

Dear Members and Friends of HSK:

What a BBQ we had last Sunday! Wow! I am still thinking about the good food, laughter, and making so many new friends. And the weather was perfect, wasn't it? I think you can imagine how much I would like to do this again before the end of this year but...it will probably be quite cold later this month. Let's do it again in the spring of 2023!

Last week I was thinking about what someone such as a church leader or college professor or community leader might say if he or she was asked to talk about something to a group of people. Usually such speeches begin with a story which may be appealing to most people. (It appears that Jesus spoke this way to various groups of people....He told parables.) But, I wondered what would change how that speech could begin. What if all the people attending that meeting had cancer? What if all the people attending that meeting had huge debts? What if all the people were in prison? 'Oh Pastor, could there be such groups?' I think it's possible...Especially a group of people who had huge debts or were in prison! And...certain stories would be totally inappropriate! But can you guess what my conclusion of those thoughts was? You will not get a good story from me each Sunday! I believe everyone

attending HSK is in desperate need of a relationship with God Almighty!

About 10 days ago, I had a great time with four Christian men. They said I could talk about anything...they would be listening. So, I chose this subject: What keeps a family connected to a church. Most of what I said to them came from experiences Ruth-san and I had while raising four children in Japan. I think I said too much but I ended our talk with these words: I think a great effect on the connection between a family and their church is the attitude of the parents...a positive attitude... expecting to sing...expecting to worship...expecting to hear God... expecting to fellowship. There are not any good excuses for being negative! Amen?

This week Ruth-san and I will visit our children and grandchildren in Kobe and Honolulu! As far away as we will be from you, I cannot forget you. Each Sunday's worship time and sharing time and fellowship time makes me want you to have another experience from heaven which you have not yet had! So...I will not be too far away! However, in my absence I ask you to expect the Lord to do something amazing in your family. We must be dreaming about things which we are convinced God can do!



Your pastor.....Ben

**You can hear your pastor's message...**in Portuguese (or English) by opening the app 'Team Viewer' and inserting the message ID. The ID will be displayed on the screen just before the speaker begins to share. Your ear phones will be necessary.



**Please continue to tell...**your family and friends about viewing 'live' and recorded meetings at HSK on the Internet. To see meetings, go to <www.hskchurch.com> and click 'Schedule of Meetings'. Next click 'Click here to visit Live Stream channel.' You will find a list of previous meetings which can be seen at any time during the week. Thank you for sharing this information with others.

**If you wish to connect to the Internet at HSK...**go to your Wi-Fi settings: hsk/1... PW: song1234. Information about hearing today's message in your language will be displayed on the projector screen.



**For several months...**a list of church responsibilities has been matched with deacons and overseers. For example; Lyn-san has volunteered to be responsible for refreshments served at the end of each Sunday morning meeting. Our pastor is often responsible for opening

the building. This list can be found on the church bulletin board which you may want to read. And...if you wish to serve your church in some way, please talk to the person who is leading that task. (Did you know there is a 'Meeting Director'?)



**If at any time...**you wish to see or see again any of the recent Sunday morning meetings, please search this Internet address: hskchurch.com. On the page, 'Schedule of Meetings', please click 'Click here to visit Live Stream channel.' Several meetings will be available for anyone to see.



**Important Information for...**anyone viewing Sunday morning meetings via 'Team Viewer': First, you must register with Team Viewer. There is no fee for that. Next, you 'Join' the HSK meeting by using the ID number which is always the same. (ID number is displayed in each meeting.) Since this is



an internet service, anyone can watch the 'live' meetings anywhere in the world!

**A reminder!** Every room in HSK has containers of hand cleanser. And because the virus is still making some people sick, please apply this cleanser to your hands often. Every Sunday there are snacks which should be eaten with clean hands!



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24 "The God who made the world and all things in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands;

25 nor is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since He Himself gives to all people life and breath and all things;

26 and He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined their appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation,

27 that they would seek God, if perhaps they might grope for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us;

28 for in Him we live and move and exist, as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we also are His children

Acts 17:24-28

The Lord asks us to pray for the "Peace of Jerusalem". Let's do that this week.

Let's keep asking for an end to the war between Ukraine and Russia. Too many dying daily!

It was so good to see Tsuyako-san last Sunday. Please continue to pray for good health for our dear sister.

Many thanks to those of you who are taking the time to speak to our visitors. Let's keep showing God's love to each one who comes.

Please pray for pastor and Ruth-san as they visit family in Hawaii this week. They will be praying for you!

Will you continue to pray for all the single mothers in HSK? We want to see all their needs met. Some have children who are not Christians yet!

Praise God for our worship team. Let's pray for them this week.

We all have family members who are not saved yet. Let's pray for them by name this week.

Please pray for the leaders of North Korea. They still continue to launch missiles over Japan.

Please pray for our church neighbors Kamiya-san and Ohba-san, to be saved.

Let's pray for pastors we know of and missionaries serving Jesus here in Japan. May they stay encouraged.

Every week, someone comes to HSK with a big 'burden'. They are suffering. We must ask heaven for more help!

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Note: If you do not want your prayer request in the bulletin, please mark that down.

**Thoughts to ponder...**

From the book..."Faith Works" by: John MacArthur

Repentance isn't solely an intellectual issue. Surely even Judas changed his mind; what he didn't do was turn from his sin and throw himself on the Lord for mercy. Repentance is just not a change of mind; it is a change of heart. It is a spiritual turning, a total about face. Repentance in the context of the new birth means turning from sin to the Savior. It is an inward response, not external activity, but its fruit will be evident in the true believer's behavior. (Luke 3:8)

It has often been said that repentance and faith are two sides of the same coin. That coin is called conversion. Repentance turns from sin to Christ, and faith embraces Him as the only hope of salvation and

righteousness. That is what conversion means in simple terms.

Faith and repentance are distinct concepts, but they cannot occur independently of each other. Genuine repentance is always the flip side of faith; and true faith accompanies repentance. "The two cannot be separated."

The issue in repentance is moral, not merely intellectual. What repentance calls for is not only a "change of mind" but a turning away from the love of sin. A leading New Testament dictionary emphasizes that repentance is a decision by the whole man to turn around. To be concerned with not just an outward turning nor with a merely intellectual change of ideas.