

Welcome to Hamamatsu Sukuinushi Kyokai...HSK!

浜松救い主教会 2019-6-9

(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.

'Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth. Sing praises to the Lord. To Him who rides upon the highest heavens, which are from ancient times. Behold, He speaks forth with His voice, a mighty voice. Ascribe strength to God. His majesty is over Israel and His strength is in the skies. O God, You are awesome from Your sanctuary. The God of Israel Himself gives strength and power to the people. Blessed be God!'

Psalm 68:32-35

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

Date	Time & Details
6/9 Today!	1:30 PM...Deacons'/Overseer Meeting No Prayer Meeting Tonight
6/12 (Wed.)	1:25 PM...Prayer Meeting(Room 22)
6/13 (Thu.)	7:25 PM...Musicians & Worship Leader:Practice
6/15 (Sat.)	10:30 AM...Joy Club!(Kids' Event)
6/16 (Sun.)	8:45 AM...Musicians & Worship Leader:Practice 9:55 AM...Singing, Sharing, Sunday School & Fellowship Time! 6:55 PM...Gathering of Watchmen!(Prayer)

Dear Members and Friends of HSK,

For the past few days I have been reading from the book of Isaiah and Jeremiah. It seems to me that the authors shared a great love for their nation but the messages they received from God were so different. Jeremiah heard very strong warnings from heaven about what God was going to do because of the rebellion of the Jews. However, one truth was repeated often to Isaiah; "I am great!" God seemed to say often. "For great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel" (Isaiah 12:6). "For a brief moment I forsook you, but with great compassion I will gather you"(Isaiah 54:7). And I think I heard God speak to me as I read those words! He said, "You must believe I am great!" I thought that is what I have been doing for a very long time. But I think God also said this, "When you lost something, did you think I was great? When someone disappointed you, did you think I was great? When you sinned, did you think I was great?" "Great are Your mercies, O Lord..."(Psalm 119:156).

In a recent conversation with Yukio-san, he said something like this: "It is amazing how many families move to Shizuoka Ken and then break apart. In other prefectures, couples are content to work and live together. But when they move to Shizuoka Ken, big problems start." I was not shocked to hear that opinion but a lot of people living in our city have big problems. However, can you believe what I

was tempted to think? "People should stay out of Shizuoka!" For a second, that idea did shock me! But then I said to God, "Don't do that Lord! Bring all of them to Hamamatsu and to this church! We will believe for bigger miracles." Who agrees with this request to the Lord?

From time to time, someone will tell me about the good things happening in another church in another city. For example, another church has a large youth group...another church has a big band...another church has well trained leaders. That information always encourages me but the person telling me those things often ends with this suggestion, "Pastor, you should make HSK like those successful churches." For a long time my reply was, "I can't." And truthfully speaking, I think my inabilities are many. However, can you think of what I have chosen to believe about US? Answer: "Had it not been that Lord who was on our side..."(Psalm 124;1). The Lord is on our side too! Hallelujah! I feel like shouting!

I hope you have come to church expecting to worship the Lord...hoping to encourage someone...planning to give. Why? This is the place to do those things! "Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise"(Psalm 100:4).



Your pastor.....Ben

You can hear the pastor's message...in several languages with your cellular phone. First, download the app 'ABELON Client'. Next, connect to HSK via Wi-Fi: **hsk/1 (password:song1234) or hsk/2(password:song5678)**. Finally, open the app and click the language you want to hear. Set the 'latency' to 100. You should now be hearing the translation of our pastor's message in your language.



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.org> and click 'Livestream'. Or go to <www.hskchurch.com> and click 'Watch Live'. 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.

Welcome back to Hamamatsu! This past Friday, Angelo-san and family returned from a long vacation in Brazil. Maybe they went to the beach everyday! Maybe they ate beef every day! But they have returned to the land of delicious yakisoba! Welcome back! We are all glad to see you in your church again!



This Saturday (15th), the Joy Club...will meet in the park next to the



church parking area! We will meet under a big tent and have games, songs, a Bible story, and of course snacks. All children and their friends are invited. If it rains, the Joy Club will meet inside the church. Let's do it!

Welcome back, Grace-san! Grace-san has graduated from an American high school and will be in Hamamatsu a few weeks and then returning to start college in the US! Please ask her for more information about her plans. She will be glad to have your prayers for her!



For your information: Many of the songs we sing at HSK can be found on You Tube in English and Portuguese. If you wish to search for the Portuguese songs, please ask any singer for the Portuguese title of that song! Also, because



we are singing many songs in 3 languages, sometimes less than 5 songs will be sung at some meetings.

The business that our pastor has talked about(Power Wash Hamamatsu)...will start this week. He would greatly appreciate your prayers for success. And if you are interested in helping him, please talk to him soon. He likes this verse, "Beloved, I pray that in all respects you may prosper and be in good health, just as your soul prospers"(3 John 2:2).



If you did not know this...Ruth-san has purchased a plane ticket to Cambodia in August. No, she is not going to retire there but...rather she will join a team of Christians from Osaka who will do whatever they can for the church, New Life Church Phnom Penh. (Maybe she will be changing messy diapers on two grandkids who are also going to Cambodia!)



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'The Lord of hosts will prepare a lavish banquet for all peoples on this mountain. A banquet of aged wine, choice pieces with marrow, and refined, aged wine. And on this mountain He will swallow up the covering which is over all peoples, even the veil which is stretched over all nations. He will swallow up death for all time. And the Lord God will wipe tears away from all faces and He will remove the reproach of His people from all the earth. For the Lord has spoken.' Isaiah 25:6-8

Please pray for Ruth-san's sister-in-law, Anne-san, to believe Jesus as her Savior. We can hold on to God's promise that our relatives can become believers in Jesus Christ.

Morita Susan-san is asking prayer for her two sons as they are studying in college. Please ask for God's protection over their lives.

Kousuke-san is really reaching out to his friends and wants to be used by the Lord to see them all be saved. Who will pray for him and his friends?

Daisy-san is requesting everyone's prayers for her daughter, Demsy-san. Please ask the Lord to give this daughter the desire to please Him.

Ozasa-san is asking prayer for the children and families in his work place. May the Lord bring His peace and salvation into their lives.

Please pray for our brother, Yukio-san, as he studies Japanese at school each week day. He wants to improve his Japanese.

Meriko-san has requested prayer for her family. She wants her daughter to attend HSK regularly. Who will pray for them this week?

Gabriel-kun is desiring God's direction for his future. Let's pray for him.

A former member of this church, Satsuki-san, has a father who is sick and not a Christian yet. Please pray for that man.

Sabrina-san has been attending HSK for several weeks. She has a son who needs help from heaven. Will someone pray for Lucas-san this week?

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Note: If you do not want your prayer request in the church bulletin, please mark that clearly on your prayer request card.

Thoughts to ponder...from the book: Expecting To See Jesus

By: Anne Graham Lotz... "Just Say Yes"

His words are directed....to you.

Isaiah overheard the Lord's cry—"Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"

Like you and me, Isaiah could have looked around to see who the Lord was speaking to. He could have searched for someone to go. He could have wept pitifully for the lost and broken world. He could have desperately prayed that God would send workers into the fields.

After God's cry rang out, I wonder if there were several moments of quiet. Dead silence while nothing moved. No one appeared to come forward... Others might have worried, Oh no, God! You don't mean me!

Some like Moses might have begged, "O Lord, please send someone else to do it." (Or, as some have put Moses's attempted handoff to his brother, "Here I am—send Aaron!") Most of us might have

thought, Not me! You surely don't mean me!

That's the way I have responded in the past: "Lord, I'm too young. I'm too old. I'm too busy. I'm not educated enough. I'm not healthy enough. Surely You don't mean me! Not me!"

But that was before personal revival. That was before I saw the Lord. Now my greatest fear is that He won't call me into service or that if He does, somehow I won't hear Him.

Isaiah not only listened to God's voice, he also applied to himself what God said. This is all the more amazing when you realize that, at this turning point is Isaiah's life, God wasn't speaking directly to him. There was no handwriting on the wall, no lightening bolt from the sky. Isaiah simply overheard God speaking. He was talking to anyone who would choose to listen.