



## WEDNESDAY EVENINGS — THE LOOP

Gather at The Loop on Wednesday evenings for MidLink  
— an evening of food and activities for all ages!

### CHURCHWIDE

MidLink Cafe @ 4:45-6:15p — Fellowship Ctr  
The Link (Adult Bible Study) @ 6:30-8p — Fellowship Ctr  
Palabras de Vida: Words of Life (Adult Spanish Bible Study)  
@ 7-8:15p — Rm 145  
Milestones classes @ various times and locations

### WORSHIP/MUSIC

Singers @ 7-8:30p — Rm 337  
Worship Choir @ 7-8:30p — Rehearsal Hall  
Worship Orchestra @ 7-8:30p — Worship Center

### FITNESS

Boot Camp @ 5:45-6:45p — Rm 270  
Barre Basics @ 6-6:45p — Rm 274

### PRESCHOOL

Thru the Roof - Special Needs @ 5:45-8:30p — Rm 329  
Wee Worship (Babies-1s) @ 6-7p — Preschool Suite  
W.O.W. (Worship Our Way) (2s & 3s) @ 6-7p — Rm 201 (Heartland)  
High 5 Kids' Choir (4 yrs-K) @ 6-7p — Rm 303 (Clubhouse)  
Mission Friends (Birth-K) @ 7-8p — Preschool Suite

### CHILDREN

Thru the Roof - Special Needs @ 5:45-8:30p — Rm 329  
High 5 Kids' Choir (1st-5th Grade) @ 6-7p — Rm 301 (Loft)  
Breakout (1st-3rd Grade) @ 7-8:30p — Fitness & Rec Ctr  
Friction (4th-5th Grade) @ 7-8:30p — Rm 332

### MIDDLE SCHOOL

Wired @ 6:30-8p — Rm 364

### HIGH SCHOOL

AMP @ 6:30-8p — Rm 363



### PRAY FOR MISSION TEAM

Pray for our team as they share the Gospel in East Asia  
(Apr 23-May 3).

### MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITIES

Learn more about these upcoming trips by completing  
the interest form at [HoustonsFirst.org/Missions](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Missions).

- New York City (Jun 3-7) — 15 spots open
- Madrid, Spain (Jun 26-Jul 4) — 5 spots open
- Xátiva, Spain (Jul 3-11) — 5 spots open
- Boston (Jul 22-26) — 8 spots open
- Brazil (Aug 5-10) — 8 spots open



### NOW AT THE LOOP AND SIENNA!

With fun activities for kids completed K-8th grades,  
Daycation is one of the most robust summer day camp  
programs in the Houston area — and kids come  
back year after year! Register before it fills up at  
[HoustonsFirst.org/Daycation](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Daycation) for sessions at either The  
Loop (May 26-Aug 14) or Sienna (Jun 8-Aug 14).

### SHUTTLE PARKING

Do you attend The Loop on Sunday mornings? Use shuttle  
parking to make room for others! It's a simple way to  
expand the ministry of our church. Get details on the five  
garages at [HoustonsFirst.org/ShuttleParking](http://HoustonsFirst.org/ShuttleParking).



HOUSTON'S FIRST  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
PASTOR GREGG MATTE

Weekly Guide  
Apr 19, 2015



# MAKE IT YOUR CHURCH ORIENTATION

Discover what it means to be a member of Houston's First! You'll meet staff members and  
hear about our mission, vision, and ministries — and how you can make Houston's First your  
church. Visit [HoustonsFirst.org/Membership](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Membership) to RSVP for your campus and to learn more about  
becoming a church member.

**The Loop** Sun, Apr 26 @ 12:30p — Fellowship Center

**Downtown** Sun, Apr 26 @ 12:45p — Hyatt Regency

**Cypress** Sun, Apr 26 @ 5p  
Bridgeland's Lakeland Activity Center

**Sienna** Sun, Apr 26 @ 12:30p — The Loft

**Spanish** Sun, May 3 @ 6:30p — Oasis Room

## SUNDAYS AT HOUSTON'S FIRST

### The Loop Campus

7401 Katy Fwy  
Houston, TX 77024  
Worship 9:15a-11a-5p  
Life Bible Studies  
8a-9:15a-10:45a-6:30p

### Cypress Campus

Smith Middle School  
10300 Warner Smith Blvd  
Cypress, TX 77433  
Worship 11a  
Life Bible Studies 9:30a

### Downtown Campus

Hyatt Regency Houston  
1200 Louisiana Street  
Houston, TX 77002  
Worship 11a  
Life Bible Studies 9:30a

### Sienna Campus

4309 Sienna Pkwy  
Missouri City, TX 77459  
Worship 9:30a & 11a  
Life Bible Studies 9:30a & 11a

### Spanish Campus

7401 Katy Freeway  
Houston, TX 77024  
Worship 5p  
Life Bible Studies 6:30p





## ALL CAMPUSES

### HighPoint Bible Study

**Wednesdays @ 11:30a**

This weekly downtown Bible study meets in the Wells Fargo Plaza auditorium (1000 Louisiana) with Dr. David Self speaking. Bring your lunch and be ready for the lesson at 12:10p. Visit [HoustonsFirst.org/HighPoint](http://HoustonsFirst.org/HighPoint) to learn more.

**CONTACT** [Diane.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Diane.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org)

### Three Strands Marriage Retreat

**May 29–31 — Jordan Ranch, Schulenburg, TX**

Facilitated by Sienna Campus Pastor Jeff Rees and his wife Martha, this weekend will equip you with insights and tools and you'll leave with a better understanding of yourself and your spouse. It's open to members and non-members of Houston's First, so get details and register at [HoustonsFirst.org/Events](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Events).

**CONTACT** [Jeff.Rees@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Jeff.Rees@HoustonsFirst.org)

### NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

#### Spring Weekend of Choir (SWOC)

**Apr 23–25 — The Loop**

At this power-packed weekend, 1st-5th graders will prepare and present an entire musical! Along the way, they'll learn about the Bible, play crazy games, and more. SWOC happens Thu & Fri @ 6-8:30p and Sat @ 9a-2p, and the musical is presented Sat @ 6p. Register at [HoustonsFirst.org/Events](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Events).

**CONTACT** [Joy.Harris@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Joy.Harris@HoustonsFirst.org)

### Camp Intersect

**Jun 15–19 — Trinity Pines Conf Center**

Two camps, one location! This amazing camp full of worship and teaching, outdoor activities, and crazy fun is for kids and their friends entering 4th–7th grades this fall. Sign up at [HoustonsFirst.org/Events](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Events). (Early Bird rate ends Apr 30!)

**CONTACT** [Derek.Nease@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Derek.Nease@HoustonsFirst.org)

### Rush Week

**Jul 19–25 — Panama City Beach, FL**

This unique missions experience has elements of a mission trip but with a "camp" feel. Students currently in 6th–12th grades can choose different types of service to help a local church/community. Visit [HoustonsFirst.org/Events](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Events) for details and to register.

**CONTACT** [Susan.Newman@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Susan.Newman@HoustonsFirst.org)

### YOUNG SINGLE ADULTS

#### Summit Spring Retreat: Simplify

**May 1–3 — Trinity Pines Conference Center**

Young single adults will see that addition can occur through subtraction as they learn how to simplify their lives and get back to the basics of faith, friendship, and fun! Details and registration at [HoustonsFirst.org/Events](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Events).

**CONTACT** [Joshua.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Joshua.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org)

### ADULTS 60+

#### Bus Trip To Bellville Castle

**Fri, Apr 24 @ 9a–4p — The Loop (South Parking)**

Enjoy bluebonnet viewing on our way to Bellville where we'll have lunch at the Newman Castle — moat and all! After lunch, we'll have a guided tour of the special heritage spots in this beautiful town. The cost is \$20 (including lunch). RSVP to [Enrichment@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Enrichment@HoustonsFirst.org)

**CONTACT** [Tracie.Bowman@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Tracie.Bowman@HoustonsFirst.org)

## THE LOOP

### NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

#### HUB Senior Celebration '15

**Sun, May 3 @ 12:15-2:30p — Fellowship Center**

Let's tell our graduating high school seniors how proud we are of their accomplishment. This formal banquet includes gifts for seniors and a short word from Pastor Gregg Matte. The cost of the luncheon is free for the senior and \$10 per family member. To register and see details for the graduating seniors, go to [HoustonsFirst.org/Events](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Events).

**CONTACT** [Linda.Sproule@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Linda.Sproule@HoustonsFirst.org)

### SINGLE PARENT FAMILIES

#### Mother's Day Luncheon

**Sun, May 10 @ 12:15p — Fellowship Center**

Join us on Mother's Day to celebrate all single moms! This will be a special day that you will want to share with your children. All moms will receive a Mother's Day gift and free lunch. Registration is not required, but requested.

**CONTACT** [Holly.Crain@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Holly.Crain@HoustonsFirst.org)

## CYPRESS

#### Baptism Sunday

**Sun, Apr 26**

Baptism is an outward expression of an inward change—a symbol to others of your new life in Christ. If you are interested in being baptized and sharing your story with the Cypress Campus family, contact Ian Brou about taking the next step.

**CONTACT** [Ian.Brou@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Ian.Brou@HoustonsFirst.org)

## DOWNTOWN

#### Night at Minuti

**Fri, Apr 24 @ 7–9p — Minuti Coffee (909 Texas Ave.)**

Gather with the Downtown Campus for a special night of coffee and conversation at Minuti! Get to know downtown residents as we offer free coffee during this two-hour window. Contact Tiffany if you're interested in attending or have questions.

**CONTACT** [Tiffany.Butterfras@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Tiffany.Butterfras@HoustonsFirst.org)

## SIENNA

#### It Starts at Home

**Wednesdays @ 6:30-8p — 4309 Sienna Parkway**

In this six-session Bible study on Wednesday evenings, parents learn how to build a legacy of faith for their children. Register for childcare at [HoustonsFirst.org/Sienna](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Sienna).

**CONTACT** [Jordan.Floro@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Jordan.Floro@HoustonsFirst.org)

## SPANISH

### Life Bible Studies

**Today @ 6:30p**

The Spanish Campus launched last Sunday, and today our Life Bible Studies get underway after the 5p worship service. Choose from three options: Seguridad En Cristo (Rm 258), Creciendo En La Vida Cristiana (Rm 262), or Las Verdades De La Salvación (Rm 261).

**CONTACT** [Juan.Alaniz@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Juan.Alaniz@HoustonsFirst.org)

## LIFE BIBLE STUDIES

Life Bible Studies are the primary method for connecting with others and growing together at Houston's First. Visit [HoustonsFirst.org](http://HoustonsFirst.org) to find one that's right for you, or ask the Welcome Team at your campus for assistance.



## MILESTONES CLASSES

Milestones classes equip people in a particular stage of life, crisis, or in general spiritual growth. These upcoming free classes are offered at The Loop Campus on Wednesdays from 6:30–8p. Visit [HoustonsFirst.org/Events](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Events) to learn more.

- Dealing with Entitlement and a Lack of Respect (Apr 29)
- Student Perspectives: Setting Boundaries (Apr 29)
- Questioning Evangelism (May 6 & 13)
- Matthew Bible Study: The Great Commission (May 6 & 13)
- Understanding Gender Confusion In Males (May 6)
- Understanding Gender Confusion In Females (May 13)



Need more information? Call 713.681.8000, visit [HoustonsFirst.org](http://HoustonsFirst.org), and follow us on [f](#) [t](#) [i](#) [i](#) [i](#) [i](#)

**CREATING A WORSHIPFUL ENVIRONMENT.** Worship requires our full attention. We ask that you: >> silence cell phones >> use the restroom before the service (take your children, too!) >> remain seated once our time of Bible study begins.

At the end of the worship service, people will be invited to accept Christ or join the church. Please remain in the service during this time. Pastor Gregg and other worshipers will appreciate your thoughtfulness.