



### FIRST PANTRY

The Food Pantry & Clothes Closet serve more than 1,000 people each month. At The Loop Campus next Sun, Mar 6, please bring non-perishable food items, gently used clothing, and other household goods to help serve those in need in the Spring Branch community. Donation bins will be located at main entrances to the church and in the Missions Office.

### FAITH CENTER-HARWIN VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Faith Center-Harwin has openings for volunteers to help teach English as a Second Language (ESL) and assist with after-school tutoring. If you have teaching experience or a passion for education, pray about how you can be a Differencemaker at this new Faith Center location!  
**CONTACT Megan.Johnson@HoustonsFirst.org**

For more information on Giving Life Away, contact [Charlotte.Nease@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Charlotte.Nease@HoustonsFirst.org)

## ENTER HIS GATES PRESENTS A NIGHT OF WORSHIP WITH PASSION

**Fri, Apr 22 @ 7p — The Loop**

Houston's First hosts *A Night of Worship with Passion* led by Kristian Stanfill, Brett Younker, and Melodie Malone and presented by Enter His Gates. Tickets available now at [TicketServant.com](http://TicketServant.com)

### 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).

### 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 9:30a & 11a  
Life Bible Studies 9:30a & 11a

#### Downtown Campus

1010 Lamar (Tunnel Level)  
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



### WEDNESDAY EVENINGS — THE LOOP

Gather at The Loop on Wednesday evenings for MidLink — an evening of food and activities for all ages! Visit [HoustonsFirst.org/MidLink](http://HoustonsFirst.org/MidLink) for more, and to learn about Wednesday night options at our other campuses, too.

### CHURCHWIDE

MidLink Cafe @ 4:45-6:15p — Fellowship Ctr  
The Link (Adult Bible Study) @ 6:30-8p — Fellowship Ctr  
Profundizando el Discipulado — Deepening Discipleship (Adult Spanish Bible Study) @ 7-8:15p — Rm 145  
Milestones classes @ 6:30-8p — Various locations

### WORSHIP/MUSIC

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

### FITNESS

Boot Camp @ 6-6:45p — Rm. 270  
Core & Stretch @ 6:45-7p — Rm. 270

### 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 (4yrs-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

### 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.



HOUSTON'S FIRST  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
PASTOR GREGG MATTE

Weekly Guide  
Feb 28, 2016



# CAMP INTERSECT

2 CAMPS. 1 LOCATION.

JUNE 12-15 | 3RD-6TH GRADE | CAROLINA CREEK CHRISTIAN CAMPS



JULY 22-28  
PANAMA CITY BEACH

MISSION IMPACT.  
CAMP FUN.

6<sup>TH</sup>-12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE



Sign up your child at [HoustonsFirst.org/Events](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Events) and invite children and students in your life to these fun-filled, life-impacting summer opportunities!

## ALL CAMPUSES

### HighPoint Bible Study

**Wednesdays @ 11:30a — 1010 Lamar (Tunnel Level)**  
This weekly downtown Bible study is open to everybody! This week, Malcolm Marshall will be teaching. Bring your lunch, or purchase one there for \$8. The lesson begins at 12:10p. Visit [HoustonsFirst.org/HighPoint](http://HoustonsFirst.org/HighPoint) to learn more.  
**CONTACT** [Diane.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Diane.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org)

### SoFA Faculty Concert

**Thu, Mar 31 @ 7p — The Loop (Rehearsal Hall)**  
Each semester, the School of Fine Arts faculty come together for a special evening of music. They are among the finest musicians in the city, and each concert they play is breathtaking. Come to be inspired and uplifted.  
**CONTACT** [Eric.Belvin@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Eric.Belvin@HoustonsFirst.org)

### First H.O.P.E. Job Ministry

First H.O.P.E. helps others procure employment. In other words, helps people find a job — whether they don't have one or want to improve the one they have now. First H.O.P.E. offers a professional consultant, resume/interview tips, a job database, career assessments, and more. Visit [HoustonsFirst.org](http://HoustonsFirst.org) or contact Fay Suito to learn how First H.O.P.E. can help you.  
**CONTACT** [Fay.Suito@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Fay.Suito@HoustonsFirst.org)

## NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

### Camp Intersect

**June 12-15 — Caroline Creek**  
Camp Intersect is where your child can come and experience God in fun ways with this "two camps, one location" event! FirstKids and The HUB students each have their own summer camp experience with games, worship, small groups, water activities, and so much more! There's no better way to start the summer than with Camp Intersect! Registration opens TODAY at [HoustonsFirst.org/CampIntersect](http://HoustonsFirst.org/CampIntersect).  
**CONTACT** [Tony.Bianco@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Tony.Bianco@HoustonsFirst.org)

### Rush Week

**July 22-28 — Panama City Beach, FL**  
The Student Ministry from all campuses is returning to serve the churches and residents of Panama City Beach! Join other 6th-12th grade students for this unique mission and camp experience. You don't want to miss it! Learn more and register at [HoustonsFirst.org/RushWeek](http://HoustonsFirst.org/RushWeek).  
**CONTACT** [Susan.Newman@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Susan.Newman@HoustonsFirst.org)

## YOUNG SINGLES

### Summit Snow Jam

**Apr 6-10 — Winter Park, CO**  
Cool temps, fresh air, mountain scenery, and snow-covered peaks: these are just a few of the things Winter Park has to offer during Snow Jam 2016! Unlike any other ski trip, Snow Jam includes airfare, charter buses to and from the resort, ski-in/ski-out lodging, lift tickets, rentals, and most of your meals — and a bunch of young singles to meet and hit the slopes with! Learn about registration and pricing at [HoustonsFirst.org/Events](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Events).  
**CONTACT** [Joshua.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Joshua.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org)

## WOMEN

### The Table

**Tuesdays through Mar 8 @ 6:30-8p**  
**The Loop (Worship Ctr)**

Come, experience the presence of Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit as women from across Houston join together to embrace the hope and provision found in the Word. Teachers Kay Altic, Kelly Matte, and Star Smith will lead us as we see how Jesus is MORE than enough! Invite others at [HoustonsFirst.org/Events](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Events).  
**CONTACT** [Meredyth.Cann@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Meredyth.Cann@HoustonsFirst.org)

## MEN

### Warrior's Heart

**Thursdays @ 6:30-7:30a — The Loop (Garden Rm)**  
This spring we will continue our *Great Men of Faith* series as we look at men who show faith in all types of situations. Different men teach each week, with Grant Adkisson teaching this Thursday. Breakfast is available for \$5. Registration at [HoustonsFirst.org/Men](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Men) is encouraged, but not required.  
**CONTACT** [Emily.Brown@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Emily.Brown@HoustonsFirst.org)

## THE LOOP

### Being A Game Changer

**Wed, Mar 9 @ 6:30-8p — The Loop (Fellowship Ctr)**  
Dwight Edwards, best-selling author and Pastor Gregg's college pastor, will speak about what it means to be a game changer at this special gathering during MidLink the week before spring break. Come early for "Cajun Night" at MidLink Cafe (4:45-6:15p) featuring a crawfish boil (\$15) and fried catfish (\$6). Visit [HoustonsFirst.org/Events](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Events) for more about MidLink at The Loop!  
**CONTACT** [Courtney.Schisler@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Courtney.Schisler@HoustonsFirst.org)

## IMAGO Art Show

### Mar 15-Apr 3 — The Loop

In this year's Holy Week Art Show sponsored by IMAGO, amateur and professional artists present original pieces focusing on the theme In His Name: Art Inspired by the Names of Jesus. The Meet the Artists reception takes place on Sat, Mar 19 @ 5-7p. For more information, go to [HoustonsFirst.org/Events](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Events).  
**CONTACT** [Emily.Brown@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Emily.Brown@HoustonsFirst.org)

## SINGLE ADULTS

### Impact Spring Retreat

**Fri, Mar 4 @ 6:30p-Sun, Mar 6 @ 12p — Trinity Pines**  
Meet new friends and gather with other single adults for a fun, relaxing weekend! Take in the scenic Trinity Pines on beautiful Lake Livingston as we learn about making the most of life from internationally acclaimed speakers Dan Miller and Kris Swiatocho. Go to [HoustonsFirst.org/Events](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Events) to register and learn more!  
**CONTACT** [Chris.Heitman@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Chris.Heitman@HoustonsFirst.org)

## CYPRESS

### Blended Family Study

**Begins Wed, Mar 23 @ 6:30-8p**  
**Cypress Ministry Center**

Discover the seven fundamental steps to blended family success and learn practical, realistic solutions to the issues stepfamilies face in this eight-week class led by Ed and Toby Thomas. Whether married or soon-to-be, you'll discover how to communicate effectively and solve the everyday puzzles of forming positive relationships with stepchildren. Registration is required at [HoustonsFirst.org/Cypress](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Cypress).  
**CONTACT** [Toby.Thomas@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Toby.Thomas@HoustonsFirst.org)

## DOWNTOWN

### Financial Peace University

**Every Mon, Feb 29-Apr 11 @ 7-8:30p**  
**Vine Street Studios (1113 Vine St., Suite 117)**

This life-changing program teaches you how to achieve your financial goals by eliminating debt and saving for the future. Attend the first class free with no obligation! Facilitated by Downtown Campus College Ministry Coordinator George Tagli. Registration is required after the first preview class on Mon, Feb 29, at [HoustonsFirst.org/Downtown](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Downtown).  
**CONTACT** [George.Tagli@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:George.Tagli@HoustonsFirst.org)

## SIENNA

### Closet/Cupboard Clean

**Sat, Mar 5 @ 8a-1p — Sienna Campus Parking Lot**  
The Sienna Campus is making a difference by collecting clothes and non-perishable foods to be given to the Second Mile Mission Center. Donated items can be dropped off at the church's campus (4309 Sienna Parkway) between 8a-1p. Invite your neighbors to contribute as well!  
**CONTENT** [Kelli.Boylan@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Kelli.Boylan@HoustonsFirst.org)

## WOMEN

### Women's Bible Study — Jonah

**Tuesdays @ 10a-12p — Sienna Campus (Worship Ctr)**  
Ladies, gather with other women as we study Jonah — Navigating a Life Interrupted by Priscilla Shirer. We will redefine interruption as God's invitation to do something beyond our wildest dreams. Register online at [HoustonsFirst.org/Sienna](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Sienna) for \$20. Child care is \$5 per child.  
**CONTACT** [Cherry.Sears@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Cherry.Sears@HoustonsFirst.org)

## SPANISH





### Baptism Class

**Today @ 6:30p — The Loop (Rm 262)**  
Are you interested in getting baptized or do you have questions or doubts about what it means? Join us today after the 5p worship service in a special class given by Pastor Juan to learn what the Word of God says about this matter. Our regular Life Bible Studies will not meet this evening.  
**CONTACT** [Douglas.Hernandez@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Douglas.Hernandez@HoustonsFirst.org)



## ESTATE PLANNING IS FOR EVERYONE

Houston's First partners with PhilanthroCorp to provide formal estate planning year-round for church members at no cost to them. Following a phone interview, PhilanthroCorp provides tools to guide your decision making within the privacy of your home. For more about PhilanthroCorp, visit [HoustonsFirst.org/Generosity](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Generosity), email [Sara.Johnson@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Sara.Johnson@HoustonsFirst.org), or call 713.957.5806.

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

CREATING A  
WORSHIPFUL  
ENVIRONMENT.

### As a courtesy to others:

- Silence cell phones
- Remain seated once message begins
- Use restroom before worship service
- If you leave, re-entry may not be allowed

### At the end of the worship service as people are invited to accept Christ or join the church:

- Remain in the Worship Center
- Exit after we are dismissed
- Pray as people respond