

FALL FESTIVITIES AT HOUSTON'S FIRST

Visit HoustonsFirst.org to learn more about these opportunities to connect people with Jesus and our church — and invite others to come, too!

Fall Festival

Sat, Oct 29 @ 10a-1p

Clubcreek New Life Community Baptist Church

Impact Singles (late 30s/40s/50s) will run carnival games, pray with people, share the Gospel, provide meals, and show appreciation to police officers at this community event.

Trunk or Treat

Sun, Oct 30 @ 4-6p — Sienna Campus

With plenty of candy, fun carnival games, and bounce houses for the kids, enjoy a safe way to spend Halloween. Costumes are encouraged!

The Great Pumpkin Theme Party

Sun, Oct 30 @ 6-8p — Cypress Ministry Center

In the midst of all the fall decorations, Students (6th-12th grades) are invited to come for the most pumpkinin' pumpkin party ever! Bring a friend and wear a costume for this free fall fun!

FirstFest

Mon, Oct 31 @ 5-9p — The Loop Campus

This action-packed evening of rides, games, candy and more is open to the entire community—and it's free! Wear costumes, bring friends, and come for the fun!

Light the Night

Mon, Oct 31

Make a difference in your neighborhood with a block party, reverse trick-or-treating, or your own great ideas! Light the Night is hosted by you at your home or at a gathering in your neighborhood.



Operation Christmas Child

Stop by the Missions Office at The Loop Campus to pick up a shoe box (and instructions) to pack for a girl or a boy. Bring it to the Missions Office by Sun, Nov 13, and Samaritan's Purse will send it around the world as a means of sharing Christ this Christmas.

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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

Español Campus

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

Sienna Campus

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



WEDNESDAY EVENINGS — THE LOOP

Session 2 of the Milestones semester just got underway with several new classes that run from now through Wed, Nov 16. So, gather at The Loop on Wednesday evenings for MidLink with food and activities for all ages — Milestones classes, music rehearsals, fitness classes and NextGen activities for preschoolers, children and students. Pick up a *Milestones Guide* or visit HoustonsFirst.org for more information, 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) @ 7-8p — Rm 145
Milestones classes @ 6:30-8p — various locations



HOUSTON'S FIRST
BAPTIST CHURCH
PASTOR GREGG MATTE

Weekly Guide
Oct 16, 2016

Celebration



EIGHT PRESENTATIONS
DEC 7-11, 2016
THE LOOP CAMPUS



TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE!

Who will you invite to enjoy the music and hear the Gospel at *Celebration*? Tickets to this spectacular Christmas musical experience are available now at TheFirstChristmas.org, by phone at 1.866.200.9569, and at kiosks in the Main Foyer at The Loop. Come make a memory this Christmas at *Celebration*!

#MYCELEBRATIONMEMORY

ALL CAMPUSES

HighPoint Bible Study

Wednesdays @ 11:30a — 1010 Lamar (Tunnel Level)

This weekly downtown Bible study is open to everybody! Dr. David Self is teaching this Wednesday at 12:10p. Bring your lunch, or purchase one there for \$8. Visit HoustonsFirst.org to learn more.

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The Greater Houston Solemn Assembly

Sat, Oct 22 @ 9a-1p — Husky Stadium @ HBU

Our Pastor Emeritus, Dr. John Bisagno, and others invite you to come together with other Houstonians — across denominational, racial, generational and political lines — to meet at the cross of Christ on behalf of our city and nation. Pre-worship begins at 8:30a, with the solemn assembly beginning at 9a. Visit TheGHSA.org for more about this citywide gathering.

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COLLEGE/SINGLES/MARRIED

The Porch Live

Tuesdays @ 7:13-9p — The Loop (Worship Center)

Houston's First is partnering with The Porch Dallas to bring The Porch Live worship experience to Houston. People in their 20s and 30s gather on Tuesday nights for live worship, great teaching and fellowship. Invite a friend and join us in our series, Relationship Goals. See what The Porch Live is all about at HoustonsFirst.org.

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YOUNG SINGLE ADULTS

Under the Texas Sky Hoedown

Sat, Oct 29 @ 6-10p

The George Ranch Historical Park

Experience a boot stompin' good time at the Summit Hoedown! Young single adults (20s-30s) will gather at George Ranch Historical Park and enjoy a night of Texas dining, dancing and an all-around good ol' time under the Texas sky! Tickets are available now, so saddle up soon at HoustonsFirst.org!

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MEN

Warrior's Heart

Thursdays @ 6:30-7:30a — The Loop (Garden Rm)

In our new series, The Kingdom, we examine the Kingdom of God in the Old and New Testaments and all its implications on all of life, covering success, marriage, decision-making, conflict, friendship, career and more. Different men teach each week, with Dallas Theological Professor Dr. Bruce Fong, teaching this Thursday. Breakfast is available for purchase in the Café. Registration at HoustonsFirst.org is encouraged, but not required.

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Men: Serve

Sat, Nov 5 @ 8a-1p — The Loop (Oasis Rm)

Men will gather at The Loop Campus then head out in teams around the city to serve the widows in our church family. Yard work, home repairs, car maintenance and other tasks — there is a place for you to serve! Register by Fri, Oct 28, at HoustonsFirst.org. If you are a widow in need of assistance contact Sherry Oradat at 713.957.6764.

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THE LOOP

Surviving the Holidays

Thu, Oct 27 @ 6:45p — The Loop (Reception Rm)

Facing the holidays after crisis, job loss, divorce, or the loss of a loved one is difficult. Pastoral Care and the GriefShare ministries invite you to this evening designed to help, encourage and equip you for the months ahead. The event is open to the community and dinner is provided. Learn more at HoustonsFirst.org and RSVP at 713.957.6762.

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NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

MS Bonfire

Fri, Oct 21 @ 6-10:30p — Redweik Ranch

Middle School students are invited to chill and hangout with The HUB around a huge bonfire! We'll play outdoor games & activities, cook our dinner and dessert over the fire, plus hear the Word and worship. All who attend get a limited edition retreat sabbatical "MS Bonfire T-Shirt"! Bring a friend and don't miss out! Register for just \$20 (includes meal & shirt) at HoustonsFirst.org.

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MARRIED YOUNG ADULTS

Re|Create Date Night

Fri, Oct 21 @ 6-10p — The Loop

Life is busy and schedules can quickly get away from us. Before we know it, it's been weeks since we've spent quality one-on-one time with our spouse. We can help make date nights with your spouse a reality! You decide where you're going to eat. We'll provide a kit with discussion questions to help you be intentional about the time you spend together. Safe, fun and inexpensive childcare is provided at The Loop Campus for children birth through fifth grade. Registration is required at HoustonsFirst.org.

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CYPRESS

NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

HUB Service: Boys & Girls Country

Sat, Oct 22 @ 8:30a-1p

Cypress student ministry will head out to Boys & Girls Country, a Cypress Campus ministry partner, to support their mission by working the grounds and cleaning the residence facilities. Cost is \$20 per student to cover transportation and lunch. Meet at the Cypress Ministry Center. Registration is required at HoustonsFirst.org.

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DOWNTOWN

Book Study: The Doctrine of God

Wednesdays, Nov 2-Dec 7 @ 7-8:30p

Vine Street Studios (1113 Vine Street, Ste 117)

A doctrine is something the whole Bible teaches us about a particular topic. In this six-week study facilitated by Ramsey Rabie, you will discover all the Bible teaches us about God, including the Trinity, God's providence, and the existence, knowability and character of God. Register at HoustonsFirst.org by Mon, Oct 31.

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Finding your PLACE in Life & Ministry

Mondays, Nov 7-Dec 5 @ 7-8:30p

Vine Street Studios (1113 Vine Street, Ste 117)

This five-week course with Peter Lee will help you discover how God has uniquely designed you to be a difference maker among your family, friends, colleagues, and community. We will cover topics such as personality, spiritual gifts, abilities, passions and life experiences. Following the course, you will be given an opportunity to meet with a PLACE Coach to help you implement what you learn. Register for just \$10 at HoustonsFirst.org by Thu, Nov 3.

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ESPAÑOL

New Life Bible Studies

Sundays @ 6:30p — The Loop

Get connected and grow deeper with the Español Campus! Try out one of our newly restructured Life Bible Studies on Sunday evenings following our 5p worship service:

- **Dunamis:** Empty nesters
For adults with children no longer at home (Rm 262)
- **Transformando Mi Vida:** Couples & Single parents
For adults with children at home (Rm 258)
- **Palabra Viva:** Singles, 21 and up (Rm 124)

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Men's Tailgate

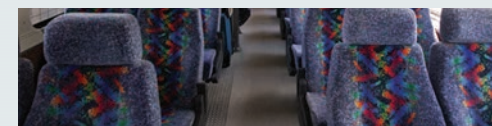
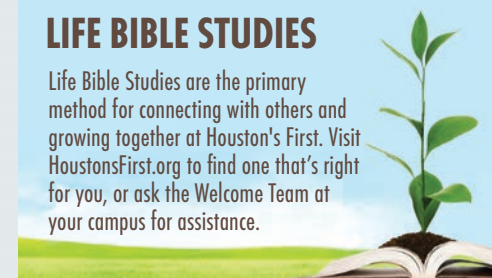
Mon, Oct 24 @ 6p — Sienna Campus

Watch the Houston Texans take on the Denver Broncos! Our chili cook-off begins at 6p and kick-off of the game is at 7:30p. The tailgate is free to attend, but register at HoustonsFirst.org to participate in the chili cook-off and to sign up for some "athletic" events (longest punt, bean bag toss, field goal, etc.) — with awards for the winners!

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LIFE BIBLE STUDIES

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



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.

As a courtesy to others

- Silence cell phones
- Use restroom before worship service
- Remain seated once message begins
- 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