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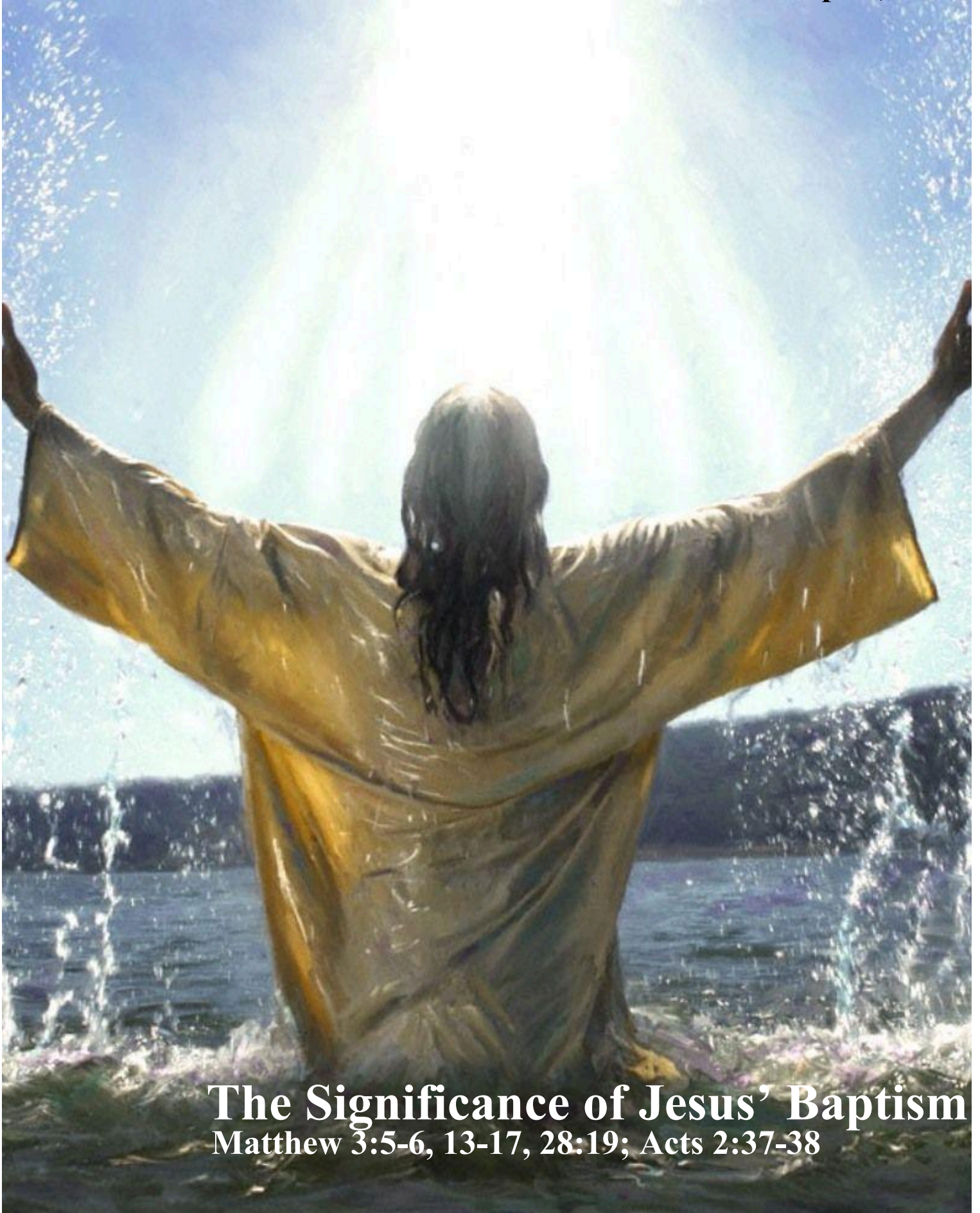
CHINESE BAPTIST CHURCH

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The Significance of Jesus' Baptism
Matthew 3:5-6, 13-17, 28:19; Acts 2:37-38

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Welcome to CBC

We are excited for you to join us in worship today. Our prayer is that through the singing of gospel truths, hearing the scriptures proclaimed, and being around the saints, you will leave edified and equipped to live on mission with God for His glory.

Preparation	Revelation 15:3-4 (CSB)
Welcome	Irene Chen
Adoration	Jesus Messiah Praise To The Lord The Almighty Holy Spirit
Prayer	Ray Yu
Scripture Reading	Matthew 3:5-6, 13-17, 28:19; Acts 2:37-38 (ESV) Larry Joe
Proclamation	The Significance of Jesus’ Baptism Rev. Andrew Chao
Response Music	Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me
Lord’s Supper	Pastor Oleg Xu
Offertory Prayer	Larry Joe
Announcements	Rochelle Dy
Benediction	Rev. Andrew Chao

Church Wide Prayer Meeting at 12:30 pm in the Sanctuary. No lunch fellowship.



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Matthew 3:5-6, 13-17 (ESV)

5 Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, 6 and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. 14 John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” 15 But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. 16 And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; 17 and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

Matthew 28:19 (ESV)

19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

Acts 2:37-38 (ESV)

37 Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” 38 And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Notes:

Reference Bible verses:

- Luke 3:16
- Acts 19:1-7
- Romans 6:3-4
- 1 Corinthians 12:13
- Ephesians 4:5

Introduction: Jesus was Baptized

- Why did He go through that?
- Water baptism and baptism of the Holy Spirit.
- Why should we be baptized?

Conclusion: One Lord, one Faith and one Baptism.

Monthly Preaching Schedule

Date	English (9:45 am)	Mandarin (9:45 am)	Cantonese (11:15 am)
4/6/2025	Rev. Andrew Chao	Pastor Jian Yang	Rev. Andrew Chao
4/13/2025	Pastor Oleg Xu	Lester Deng	Lester Deng
4/20/2025	Pastor Don Gardner (COMBINED Resurrection Worship Service) at 10 am	_____	_____

Donald Gardner Senior Pastor pastordon@cbchouston.org	Jian Yang (John) Mandarin Pastor pastorjohn@cbchouston.org
Oleg Xu Interim Eng Associate Pastor pastoroleg@cbchouston.org	Geraldine Lee KidMin Director geraldinel@cbchouston.org

Pastor's Word by Pastor Donald Gardner

"Does Prayer Guide Your Life?"

Before you read God's Words of Guidance on Prayer as found below, let us all consider whether we are willing to read with respect and expectation that the Creator of the Universe IS listening. Let us slow down and focus on the wishes of our Lord for our lives. If we expect God to bless CBC for our faithfulness, we must be broken of our pride. We must not be focused on our successes or failures but we must reflect the "expectation" that Jesus wishes to use us and guide us as we lean on Him. We must be disciples of action and faithful service. For CBC to be the church (Spiritual Family) that God desires, we must hunger after righteousness. We must exude love and burden for the lost. Yes, we must pray for ourselves. As God's tools, we are here to be actively used in reaching out in Christ's name. Let us dare to look deeply within ourselves before we read about Prayer. The values, ethics, and courage to be a true disciple demand much of us, but the reward is knowing that Jesus is truly our Lord.

Matthew 6:5-15 (ESV) ---"On Prayer for CBC"

And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses."

Announcements

- **A Senior Rainbow Field Trip is scheduled to Schulenburg, TX to see the "Painted Churches" on Wednesday, April 9, 2025.**
- **B&B (Bereans and Boomers) Fellowship will be held on Saturday, April 12, 2025 from 10:30 am to 1 pm in the FLC.**
- **Palm Sunday English Worship Service will be on Sunday, April 13, 2025 at 9:45 am in the Sanctuary.**
- **Senior Rainbow Easter Fellowship will be held on Thursday, April 17, 2025 at 10 am to noon in the FLC.**
- **Good Friday Services will be on Friday, April 18, 2025 from 7 pm to 8 pm. The English Service will be held in the Sanctuary while the Mandarin and Cantonese will be a combined Service in the Chapel.**
- **"SONrise" Worship Service will be held on Sunday, April 20, 2025 from 8:30 am to 9 am in the CBC Prayer Garden.**
- **The Combined Resurrection Worship Service will be on Sunday, April 20, 2025 at 10 am in the Sanctuary. The Children's Egg Hunt with a Bible story outreach and combined Easter luncheon will follow afterward.**
- **Senior Banquet Class of 2025 will be held on Saturday, May 24, 2025 from 5 pm to 8 pm in the FLC.**
- **Myanmar Earthquake Relief Fund:** <https://www.sendrelief.org/projects/myanmar-earthquake/>.
- **Spiritual Gift Form and Ministry Form are now available.** These forms are an important part of helping us understand how God has uniquely gifted each of you and where you can serve in our CBC church community.



Spiritual Gift Form



Ministry Fair Response Form



Senior Banquet Code