



Asian Churches Members Gathering

Mercer Island Presbyterian Church, 3605 84th Ave SE, Mercer Island, WA 98040

Saturday, May 18, 2019 from 12:00 pm to 5:30 pm

Youth / 2nd Generation

Theme: Identity in Christ as An Asian-American

This convocation will focus on the psychological journey of Asian Americans with immigrant parents, exploring the challenges and blessings of growing up in multiple worlds. The presenter will discuss the importance of forming a personal identity, examine traditional Asian values that interfere with one's growth as a Christian, and propose considerations of reclaiming one's family stories. Participants will be invited to engage in small group conversations to share personal experiences and further explore topics discussed.

Adult / 1st Generation

Theme: The Psychological and Spiritual Journey of Immigrant

Journeying across the ocean to the United States can be tumultuous, filled with hopes and worries. Even after arriving in the Land of Freedom, challenges can continue to arise. Dr. Huang will discuss the psychological and spiritual journey of Asian/Pacific Islander immigration. She will explore forms of cultural adaptation and changes in racial identity encountered by refugees/immigrants during enculturation. Impacts of racial prejudice and internalized racism will be examined. Dr. Huang will also address how these factors present challenges to immigrant families, their churches, and ministries.

Guest speaker for both programs: Dr. Hsin Hsin Huang PhD

<http://www.ai.edu/Academics/Faculty-and-Administration/Faculty-Bios/Hsin-hsin-Huang-PhD>

Hsin-hsin Huang, Ph.D. is an Associate Professor of Pastoral Theology at Aquinas Institute of Theology. She holds a doctoral degree in Counseling & Counselor Education from University of Missouri – St. Louis. She has been a pastoral psychotherapist since 1999, with extensive theological education and pastoral counseling training. She is a certified trauma therapist and consultant, and a recipient of a national award for excellence in pastoral counseling. Dr. Huang speaks both nationally and internationally on topics related to integration of theology, spirituality, and psychology.



For Youth / 2nd Generation

12:00 pm Lunch & Introduction
1:00 pm Identity in Christ As An Asian-American
2:15 pm Small group discussion
3:00 pm Worship
3:30 pm Game time
5:30 pm Closing Prayer

For Adult / 1st Generation

12:00 pm Lunch & Introduction
1:00 pm Become a Matthew 25 Church
2:00 pm Small group discussion
3:00 pm Worship
3:30 pm Psychological & Spiritual Journey of Immigrant
4:45 pm Small group discussion
5:30 pm Closing Prayer

Lunch and Snacks will be provided. Please REGISTER by May 13, 2019 to Rev. Binh Nguyen - msbinhnguyen@yahoo.com - (206) 965-0192, Rev. Mei-hui Lai - mei-hui.lai@pcusa.org - 424-303-9825.