

Peace Evangelical Church

July 19, 2020

Today's Service
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Next Sunday's Service
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Note: English Sunday's sermon services at 10:00 am will be broadcast live online beginning at the corresponding times.

Being Ready

He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter." He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. - Revelation 19:13-15

In the early 1990s, coalition troops of Operation Desert Storm wowed the world with their 100-hour ground assault against Saddam Hussein's troops who had invaded Kuwait. You might think that was one for the record books, but history actually says otherwise.

The shortest war ever fought on record was between Britain and the then tiny island nation of Zanzibar off the East Coast of Africa in August of 1896. The huge British fleet issued an ultimatum to the Sultan of Zanzibar, followed by 38 minutes of intense bombardment before the badly mismatched Sultan surrendered!

Yes, those are some impressive military victories. Yet, both of them pale in comparison to the victory Jesus will exact upon His enemies when He returns. In fact, the entire war will be over with the utterance of a simple word – a sword from His mouth. That's the power of our Savior!

The same Jesus who died on the cross for your sins is coming again as a conquering King. Thank God for the power He's given His Son to be a conqueror who's on your side and look forward to the day when He returns in glory and power!

Prayer Challenge

Pray and thank God that His Son, Jesus, is returning again as a conquering King who's on your side!

Questions for Thought

In what way does living with the expectation of Christ's return as King give you a better perspective on your life today?

How does knowing Christ will return motivate you to help get as many people as possible on His side by sharing the gospel?

Church News

- Due to the rampant coronavirus pandemic, the church has halted all in-person gatherings. Sunday sermons have been changed to live webcasts through a link on www.pec.bc.ca until further notice. Please join in on schedule. Our various prayer meetings, fellowships, and Bible study classes are also being conducted online via Zoom video conferencing. With these arrangements, may God cause us to be connected and built up spiritually. In the interim, please pay close attention to the church news in our weekly digital bulletin.
- Since the church has to suspend all physical gatherings and can only provide live-streaming of sermons on Sundays because of the current situation, for the communion service that we have always highly-valued, the elders and co-workers are making the following proposals and recommendations after discussion:
 - We encourage baptized members to hold communion services at their homes each week, led by a brother in the household.
 - Prior to the meeting, prepare the bread and the cup. The bread is unleavened bread, baked with flour and a sprinkling of salt and oil. It signifies the body of Christ. The cup is grape juice, which symbolizes Christ shedding His blood in atonement for our sins.
 - In the event a family does not have a brother who can lead, please contact your fellowship leader or mentor. We can arrange to organize a small group communion service for you on Zoom, and members who are moved to do so will be able to participate in sharing at that time.
 - The communion service was established by the Lord and is a very somber gathering. It is necessary to prepare your heart and self-examine first before partaking in the Lord's bread and the Lord's cup. Whoever does not discern the body of Christ, eats and drinks judgment on himself.
 - Therefore, by remembering the Lord, we have a deeper understanding of His love, revitalize our own love for Him, meditate on our relationship with the Lord, and are cognizant of our own transgressions. May the love of Christ always inspire us and rekindle the fire in our hearts.
 - Please try to schedule these communion services for Sundays during the pandemic, whether at home or in online groups. As soon as the outbreak subsides and the church resumes physical gatherings, these online gatherings will immediately cease.
- Due to the pandemic, this year's Chinese Summer Conference has been restructured to be conducted in video format from July 29 to August 3. Brother Chak Yeung LAM has been invited to be the speaker. The theme is "The Spiritual Battle". There will be no children's program during this summer conference.
- Our Church encourage brothers and sisters to pray daily for one family listed on our church directory. We hope that brothers and sisters will intercede for one another, demonstrate the love like a family and put it into action in our care, and love.
- Our church continues to encourage brothers and sisters to utilize their time meaningfully during the pandemic by studying the Bible and maintaining devotion, reading spiritual books, and establishing a closer relationship with God. Also greet each other via telephone or social media daily, and interact with encouragement and petitions through prayer, traversing the pandemic together in love.
- Below is last week's offering records, a tax receipt will be issued on or before the end of February of next year.

Envelope#	Amount	Envelope#	Amount	Envelope#	Amount	Offering Items	Amount
112305	200.00	CA7uh6CD	400.00	CANRWWNk	500.00	General	6,576.00
112652	300.00	CA9MM47f	500.00	CAPQBaJB	500.00	Mission Fund	2,050.00
112975	800.00	CAa7p9PY	500.00	CAUhXXmt	801.00		
113087	300.00	CAMCEje2	20.00	CAWZQ9sm	100.00		
113088	105.00	CANNR4sF	1,000.00	CAXPyd5c	100.00		
CA689V5R	2,500.00						
Total Amount					8,626.00		8,626.00

July 2020 Elders and Deacons meeting resolutions

We unanimously approved the following resolutions:

- Starting August 2020, sister Jamie Poon will resign from the serving position of the leader of Titus Fellowship, brother Boaz Hung will take this position.
- Replace the church main hall's pitched roof, including gutter. All costs will be approved as incurred.
- The AGM will be held on August 30, 2020.

Prayer Items

- Please pray for our church's direction in 2020 and the theme of English Ministry for this year is "Next level with God". (Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take. Proverb 3:5-6 (NLT). May God use it and His name be glorified.
- Please continue to intercede in prayer for those members who are weak in flesh or spirit, by the mentioning of their names. May God heal and give strength to them so that they can find peace in the Lord, and may their loved ones have the fortitude to care for and sustain them so that all will gain the comfort of the Lord.
- Please pray for the Chinese Summer Conference held between July 29 to August 3, pray for the messages prepare by speaker and the coordinating work for the conference. May our church revive spiritually and will live a victorious life.
- Please pray for the needs of the Children's Ministry, especially since individual contact with the kids during the pandemic is not comprehensive. Still, we hope to continue teaching them in accordance with the Lord's instructions and admonitions so that they will tread the proper path and not deviate through the years. May the Lord help each child amongst us to be reborn and saved and grow in body and spirit.
- Please pray for those members who are currently seeking to be theologically equipped. May the Lord give them wisdom, the resolve to offer oneself, and the strength to continue serving God.
- May God help us learn to have wonderful spiritual sharing in the Lord, encouraging, fortifying and looking out for one another; to love God and each other even more, and to influence other lives with our lives so that the household of the Lord will be built up.
- Please pray for our church family adapt to the new life style during the epidemic prevention period, make adjustments so that couples can appreciate each other, the parents get the wisdom from God, communicate with their children with words of love and encouragement, and establish Christ is the Lord of my family.
- Please pray that the current novel coronavirus pandemic can be controlled quickly. Consider the difficult work of frontline medical staff and the leadership of various countries during this time, and pray to God for help in finding effective treatments and vaccines through the researchers as soon as possible. Let people recognize their own limitations with humility and turn back to the Lord Jesus Christ.
- Pray for the church to be a witness for God during the pandemic and attract more people to the Lord. Pray that Christians locked-down in their homes can overcome the stress and demonstrate in their lives the faith, hope, love and peace of true disciples. And also pray that through the experience of online worships and prayer and fellowship meetings, the church can mature and evolve, focus more on the study and practice of Biblical truths, effectively preach the gospel, and love God and people in a different way.

New Offering Option: Interac e-Transfer

To provide another option for Brothers & Sisters with sending offerings to church, we have setup Interac e-Transfer to receive them electronically. Following are some guidelines:

1. Email to send offerings: offering@pec.bc.ca
2. We have setup Auto Deposit, so please ensure the amount on your instruction is correct before confirming the payment.
3. When adding the new Contact, you might be asked to create a security question and answer. Just do so arbitrarily as that will not be used eventually. Also please choose to notify Contact by email address (not mobile phone).
4. On the Message section, please indicate:
 - a) your legal name (for tax receipt)
 - b) your commonly known name
 - c) purpose of your offering:
 - i. General Offering
 - ii. Mission Fund
 - iii. Caring Fund
 - iv. Special Offering, please specify
 - d) If you'd like to offer different amounts for more than one purpose, please indicate in the message as well.

Example: TSO PO KI, Phyllis, \$50 General, \$60 Mission, \$70 Caring

5. The bank's transaction reference number (instead of the offering envelope number) will be used to track and record your offering, which you can check on the bulletin to confirm church has received it.
6. Church's bulletin will be posted on our website every Sunday, listing out offerings received during the previous week:
March 29 bulletin will post offerings received on Mar 16-22
April 5 bulletin will post offerings received on Mar 23-29, and so on.
7. In case further clarifications are required, we will contact the sender by email.

Reminders:

- i) This is an additional option but not the only option to make offerings. We are still accepting drop-offs at church (cash or cheque) and mail-ins (cheque only). For drop-offs, please call the church office (604) 231-9990 ahead of time before coming.
- ii) Some banks and/or account types might charge service fee to send e-Transfer.