

Peace Evangelical Church

Dec 13, 2020

Today's Communion Service

Chairperson Jimmy Chow

Pianist Valerie Leung

Today's Service

Speaker Kevin Sawatsky

Chairperson David Jones

Pianist Worship Team

Dec 20, 2020

Next Sunday's Communion Service

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Memorizing God's Word

I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you. — Psalms 119:11

Noted Bible teacher E. Schuyler English told about a Bible distributor, Michael Billester, who visited a small town in Poland shortly before World War II. Billester gave a Bible to a villager, who was converted after reading it. The new believer then passed the book on to others. This cycle of conversions and sharing of faith continued until 200 people had become believers through that one Bible!

When Billester returned to Poland in 1940, this group of Christians met together for a worship service where he was to preach the Word of God. It was usually his custom to ask for testimonies, but this time Billester suggested that several in the congregation stand and recite verses of Scripture.

One man stood and said, "Perhaps we have misunderstood your request. Do you mean verses or chapters?"

These Polish villagers had not memorized a few select verses of the Bible, but instead whole chapters and books. Thirteen people knew Matthew, Luke, and half of Genesis. And another person had committed the entire book of Psalms to memory. That single copy of the Bible given by Billester to the one new believer had certainly done its work.

In this story, transformed lives bore witness to the power of the Word of God. Are you passionate about learning and memorizing God's Word? Are you sharing what you know with those who do not know Jesus? 1 John 2:5 says, "But if anyone obeys his word, God's love is truly made complete in him." Determine today to hide the Word of God in your heart and pass along its truth to those you come in contact with each day.

PRAYER CHALLENGE: Ask the Lord to open your heart to His Word so that you can hold tightly to its truth. Pray that He would give you opportunities to share the Bible with others.

Church News

1. 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.
2. The Dec Elders and Deacons Meeting will be conducted via Zoom on the Dec 13 (Today) at 2:30 pm. Will all concerned please take note and attend punctually.
3. Our church year end thanks giving meeting will conduct online via Zoom at Dec 31 (Thursday) at 8:00 pm. Brothers and sisters are reminded to mark your calendar for this meeting and join us for thanks giving and share for the work that God's grace that has been laid upon us.
4. During a previous meeting, the church's Elders and Deacons approved this year's total missionary offerings at an amount of \$29,800. Thanks to the Lord's providence, our Missionary Fund as of the end of November stands at \$31,385. Brothers and sisters can nonetheless continue to support our evangelical work with your offerings.
5. Treasury department of our church would like to remind brothers and sisters that December 27th will be the last Sunday worship for recording offering for the year 2020, any offering received after that date will be considered as offering for 2021 instead. Brothers and sisters please pay special attention for your offering issue.
6. Brother Marco Kam couple will be on leave at Dec 15, 2020 to Jan 15, 2021 to Hong Kong, may God grant them safety and bear good witness for Him in the family.
7. 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. Through our greetings, intercede, visiting each other we can know each other better, have fellowship, love and we build up one another. We hope that our church will like a big family.
8. Elisha Fellowship Barry CHAO's father rest in peace with God on December 11th. May God comfort him and his family.
9. 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
112596	100.00	CACa8Ekp	1,000.00	CAtG9YbG	200.00	General	10,465.01
113012	3,000.00	CA4EeZc	100.00	CAUPZ7FU	160.00	Mission Fund	1,100.00
CA***ets	600.00	CAdPbBcy	500.00	CAuSvF28	800.01	Caring Fund	1,000.00
CA4CM4mu	1,000.00	CAGb6xkr	150.00	CAv7Thm9	75.00		
CA4n6TkS	200.00	CAhq8sH6	400.00	CAVuJkjG	300.00		
CAb4SpwT	300.00	CAMvxgz8	2,000.00	CAzdprm7	170.00		
CABnVQU7	200.00	CASmufxz	310.00	CAzpUaZB	1,000.00		
Total Amount					12,565.01		12,565.01

Prayer Items

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. Please pray for the English Gospel Meeting today, pray for all attendees can understand and receive the precious salvation that is given by God.
4. May the Lord motivate us to take root in His Word at all times, learn to look up to God alone, rely on Him to overcome any storms in life, and stand firm in the Lord to learn deeper spiritual lessons; to accept the admonitions of the cross, and to live a heavenly life commensurate with the Son of God.
5. Please pray for the Chinese Ministry of our church, may all brothers and sisters have an eager wish to follow our Lord, bear the witness for God, willing to receive the command from God and we would be strengthen by Him through His word and teaching, God's path will be prosperous. May more brothers and sisters would have strong desire to know about Him, bear good witness for Him, and serve Him truly with faith and love.
6. Please pray for the current political situations in Hong Kong and National Wide. May God continue to govern so that people will have Peace. May He bestow wisdom, strength, unity and faith to the various churches in HK and the US, in order that they can hold fast to the truth of the Bible and bear outstanding witness for the Lord.
7. 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.
8. 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.
9. 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.