

# Peace Evangelical Church

Dec 27, 2020

## *Today's Communion Service*

*Chairperson* Jimmy Chow  
*Pianist* Valerie Leung

## *Today's Service*

*Speaker* David Jones  
*Chairperson* Boaz Hung  
*Pianist* Valerie Leung

Jan 3, 2020

## *Next Sunday's Communion Service*

*Chairperson* Jimmy Chow  
*Pianist* Samuel Law

## *Next Sunday's Service*

*Speaker* David Jones  
*Chairperson* Kelvin Leung  
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## **A New Perspective**

"Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:13-14

As 2020 comes to an end, I think we all anxiously await the words "Happy New Year!" It might be an idea to go to some quiet place with a friend, significant other or your spouse and there ponder and discuss all the interesting occurrences that happened this past year; the good times, the bad times, the frustrating times and the fun times. We can share what valuable lessons we learned from our experiences, what God showed us and how He was faithful through all of it.

With that said, here are eight ways we can view the New Year.

**New Beginnings:** Start out the New Year with a fresh point of view to new experiences, memories and blessings. Having an opened mind and heart to where ever the Lord may take you with full assurance and confidence that He is with you. (Matthew 28:19-20)

**New Possibilities:** There's no limit to what God can do in your life and nothing is impossible with God. God opens doors that no man can shut and also closes doors that no man can open. The possibilities are endless with God that is according to His will. (Philippians 4:13)

**New Plans:** Every year is a new season, be prayerful of what God has planned for you and be willing to walk by faith in obedience as you follow His leading. Remember that His plans are always for good and not for evil to give you a future and a Hope. (Jeremiah 29:11-13)

**New Purpose:** As you forge ahead, God always has a plan and a purpose for what you will go through and experience. Remember that God always has a reason for what He allows in your life and through it you can trust Him completely. (Proverbs 1:3-5)

**New Provisions:** The bible says to not worry about tomorrow for tomorrow has enough worries of it's own. Trust in your Heavenly Father who knows everything you need, who is your God and your Provider. He is faithful and He will do it. (Matthew 6:1-33)

**New Growth:** When we are willing to let go and let God work in us and through us, He will always stretch us and grow us. It is an important part of the growth process. Continue to grow in your relationship with Him and in His Word. Pray for God to mold you and make you pliable in the potters hand and then watch the master craftsman work on His masterpiece; which is you!

**New Wisdom:** With new experiences and new lessons come new wisdom and insight. Always make it a priority to seek out wisdom as hidden treasure or fine gold. In Proverbs it says that it will be like a garland of grace around your neck and honor you and present you with a crown of splendour. (Proverbs 4:7-9)

**Renewed Peace:** As you go through new experiences and new adventures whether they are good or bad, my encouragement is to keep your eyes fixed on Christ and He will give you rest and peace, because He is our peace and loves you and cares for you deeply. (John 16:33)

Keep in mind that if even the wicked give good gifts to their children how much more will your Heavenly Father give to those that ask Him? (Matthew 7:7-11)

Let us give thanks to the Lord for getting us through another year as we look forward to what He has for us up ahead and praise Him that He is faithful and worthy to be praised!

## 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](http://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 church will hold our year-end thanksgiving meeting on December 31st (this Thursday) at 8 pm via Zoom. Please reserve your time to join together in praising the Lord for His blessings. The video link will be communicated through your fellowship group this week. For those who are not in a fellowship, please contact Sister Esther Hung or Brother Henry Yin for information.
3. Treasury department of our church would like to remind brothers and sisters that December 27th (today) 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.
4. English Pastor David Jones will be on leave at Dec 29 to 31.
5. Caleb Fellowship Sister Nhut-phong Do HUYNH rest in peace with God on December 23. May God comfort Brother HUYNH and his family.
6. The official ceremony for next year's Assignment of Duties will be held on January 3 (next Sunday). On that day, each separate ministry of the church will have their own ceremony for their serving members after their time of worship. Please pay special attention to this arrangement. All Sunday school classes will be held as usual.
7. The "Peace Monthly" periodical published by the joint assembly of Peace Evangelical churches can be found on our church's website [pec.bc.ca](http://pec.bc.ca). Click on the "Peace Monthly" link under "Offerings/Weekly Bulletin", or the second link at the bottom left corner, "Joint Assembly Website", and then select the third link "Peace Monthly". The church encourages members to read the articles in the "Peace Monthly" online.
8. 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
111923	500.00	CA3kdwzA	500.00	CAhDzzna	2,500.00	General	24,974.00
112667	500.00	CAaCpQJt	700.00	CAhRkPyb	300.00	Mission Fund	1,650.00
112675	1,000.00	CAC3acSW	300.00	CAJgZPV6	500.00	Caring Fund	450.00
113113	1,000.00	CADcXh7	200.00	CAJwxdDd	1,000.00	Isaac Fellowship	50.00
113246	1,000.00	CAdFxtTu	2,000.00	CAkq8XSC	100.00		
113247	5,000.00	CAdgVbC	1,000.00	CAmVwuPW	550.00		
113248	200.00	CAeNwyFP	500.00	CAnrmN5T	500.00		
113264	300.00	CAeY3E52	600.00	CAwgm3Kf	2,000.00		
113276	300.00	CAFwCxKu	1,000.00	CAXeRXwA	1,500.00		
CA2vJmjT	74.00	CAG37yhd	1,500.00				
			Total Amount				27,124.00

## Prayer Items

1. Please give thanks for God's guidance, blessing for 2020. The 2021 Theme of English Ministry is **"Put God First"**. (So that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God. Colossians 1:10 (NIV) 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 offer thanks for God's guidance, blessing, and allowance for the various ministries of the church in the past year, including the English, Mandarin and Cantonese ministries, Sunday school ministries, children's ministries, fellowships and Bible studies, summer conferences and financial provision for the church, etc. The Lord's blessing has continued even through the epidemic. May praise, honor, glory, and authority be returned to the everlasting God and our Lord Jesus Christ.
4. Please offer thanks for the pastoral team, elders, deacons and co-workers, serving members, and their families. God's provision, protection, and guidance are awesome. May we fear God more and serve His household with gratitude and love for the Lord and all mankind.
5. Please offer thanks for the various works of the Missions Department in the past year, including gospel Sundays, different types of evangelical meetings, seekers classes and other functions. Although in-person outreach in malls or parks has not been possible, the gospel truth can still be preached through the internet, May the name of the Lord Jesus Christ be exalted and glorified, and may the fruits of our members be remembered by the Lord.
6. Please remember in your prayer for our church 2021 new direction and the arrangement of serving personnel in various areas. May every one of them work through the Holy Spirit, always bear a faithful and thankful heart to work God's plan.
7. 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.
8. 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.
9. 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.
10. 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 worship 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](mailto: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.