

# Peace Evangelical Church

Jan 10, 2021

## *Today's Communion Service*

*Chairperson* David Jones

*Pianist* Samuel Law

## *Today's Service*

*Speaker* Austin Milne

*Chairperson* Gordon Chow

*Pianist* Samuel Law

Jan 17, 2021

## *Next Sunday's Communion Service*

*Chairperson* David Jones

*Pianist* Boaz Hung

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*Speaker* David Jones

*Chairperson* Jeason Chan

*Pianist* Boaz Hung

## **Imperfections can Turn into Blessings**

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. — Isaiah 41:10

Snowflakes are fascinating. They come in all different shapes and sizes. Some appear as delicate lace doilies others as shining stars. Yet they all have their similarities. Each snowflake has six points, is made up of molecules of hydrogen and oxygen, and is symmetrical in shape.

But did you know that the ice that makes a snowflake collects around a particle of dust floating in the atmosphere? The tiny imperfection may be as small as 1/100,000 of a millimetre in size, but it has to exist for a snowflake to form!

In the same way, imperfections in life can often be the catalysts that cause something wonderful and beautiful to happen. A "foreign invader" that crashes into our lives—such as a terminal illness, an accident, or a heartbreak—can actually turn into a source of blessing.

As it says in Ecclesiastes 3:11, "He has made everything beautiful in its time."

When you encounter obstacles in life, remember that they give you, as a believer, the chance to let God make something wonderful happen. If you are struggling with a difficult situation in your life, seek the Lord and wait for Him to create from it a beautiful blessing. Because I promise...if you're looking for it...He will!

**PRAYER CHALLENGE:** Thank God that when hardships come, He makes something beautiful as a result! Pray that He would continue to transform your trials into blessings by surrounding you with His grace, love, and mercy.

*Connect with us!*

*David Jones, pastor*

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## 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 Jan Elders and Deacons Meeting will be conducted via Zoom on the 10th (today) at 2:30 pm. Will all concerned please take note and attend punctually.
3. English Ministry will be hosting a Bible Quiz on Jan 24th ( Sunday school section), Please prepare your hearts to attend.
4. The church will conduct Chinese spiritual nurturing meetings online from Jan 29-31. There is also have a serving team Retreat meeting at 10:00am on (Jan 30) Saturday morning, we encourage brothers and sisters to participate.
5. At 8 pm on Friday, Feb 12, the church will be hosting a Spring Festival Mandarin Gospel Meeting. The theme of the meeting is "The Best Message" and the speaker is Brother WU. Please earnestly invite your non-believing friends and family members to attend this online event. If you require the Zoom Meeting ID and password, please contact the evangelism coordinator of your fellowship. If you do not belong to a fellowship, you can inquire with brother Arthur Wang or Sister Connie Pan.
6. The digital version of the 2021 Activity Schedule and Manual for serving members has been published, and will be distributed through their fellowship leaders. Please pray for all serving members, the direction of the church and the various programs. May glory be to our Father, and peace to those who please Him.
7. The church encourages brothers and sisters to intercede daily for one of their non-converted friend or relative, may God save them and let them to receiving this precious salvation grace from God. May brothers and sisters would bear good witness for Him in the family and His name would be glorified; all their family members would be saved finally. We also encourage brothers and sisters to share their salvation testimonial to people not knowing Christ yet.
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
113081	220.00	CAJ4u3Xc	1,000.00	CAXqyzPj	1,500.00	General	3,820.00
113161	300.00	CAkrJeAH	20.00	CAyZ4FVp	300.00	Mission Fund	100.00
113263	100.00	CAmUzeqw	200.00	Cazqwamw	400.00	Isaac Fellowship	100.00
						Elisha Fellowship	20.00
			Total Amount	4,040.00			4,040.00

## 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 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.
4. Please remember in your prayer for Mandarin Gospel Meeting at Feb 12th, pray for the speaker and the coordination work for the meetings.
5. Please pray for the multitude of churches. May the Lord give them the power of discernment so that they can be vigilant and keep watch over this generation. May He bestow grace and strength to His loyal servants, so that they can hold tight for themselves as well as for the flock until the return of the Lord.
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](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.