

Peace Evangelical Church

Mar 21, 2021

Today's Communion Service

Chairperson Stephen Li

Pianist Boaz Hung

Today's Service

Speaker David Jones

Chairperson Kelvin Leung

Mar 28, 2021

Next Sunday's Communion Service

Chairperson Jeason Chan

Pianist James Fong

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Trust the truth

It is written: "'As surely as I live,' says the Lord, 'every knee will bow before me; every tongue will acknowledge God.'" - Romans 14:11

Many years ago when some of the very first British explorers went to Australia for the first time, they discovered a mammal which laid eggs and spent some time in water. It had a broad, flat tail, webbed feet, and a bill similar to a duck.

This animal, later named the duck-billed platypus, confounded people as it was described. In fact, most people who heard about it felt it was a hoax. Even later when explorers returned with a pelt of the animal, the English populace accused them of sewing together parts of different animals.

In spite of the evidence, the people believed what they wanted to believe. Yet most people would agree that one's beliefs about a certain thing have no bearing on whether it is truthful or not. You can believe with all your heart there is a pink elephant right behind you, but that doesn't make it true. Likewise, there are many people dedicated to the belief the earth is flat. And no matter how much they believe it, it's just not true.

The truth is the truth. And though the claims of Christ may seem farfetched for some, the reality is that we have an empty tomb to validate it all. So don't be discouraged by the scoffers. Hold fast to the truth of your faith and trust the promise that one day, all will see Christ in His glory.

Prayer Challenge

Pray and ask God to empower your faith and help you look forward to the day when all will see Jesus.

Questions for Thought

Why do you think the claims of Christianity are outlandish for some people?

How might having a deeper assurance in the truth of Christ help you to be more intentional about sharing the gospel 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. March has been designated as the fellowship month. You are encourage to have fellowship with brothers and sisters you are not acquainting with and pray for each other.
3. March has been assigned as the month of prayers. Brothers and sisters please pray according to the daily information provided by the church and we together pray earnestly for it.
4. The Church will have a Chinese Saturday morning prayer held in March via Zoom, our church encourage everyone attend every Saturday in March at 8:00am -9:00am pray together.
5. The church will conduct a Mandarin Gospel Meeting on April 9 and Chinese spiritual nurturing meetings from April 10-11 via Zoom. Speaker is Brother LIU. Please earnestly invite your non-believing friends and family members to attend.
6. The church is grateful to Brother Edmond Chung for his faithful service as a Deacon in the past 20+ years, working tirelessly and unbegrudgingly. Although resigning as Deacon, he will still remain in his various other duties. May God continue to use him as a blessing to the church, upholding a life of complementary service in one spirit that is pleasing to the Lord.
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. 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
113278	300.00	CABMmtD4	300.00	CAkgabgP	70.00	General	8,671.00
113284	300.00	CAcuUMeZ	250.00	CAnWDxf2	801.00	Mission Fund	300.00
113287	200.00	CAEQTC7u	500.00	CAt2zHMA	50.00		
113325	200.00	CAGh6ACV	300.00	CAysrJJM	500.00		
113376	3,000.00	CAGPHQG6	700.00	CAZRV9hD	400.00		
CA***PqZ	600.00	CAguhXNe	500.00				
			Total Amount	8,971.00			8,971.00

March 2021 Elders and Deacons meeting resolutions

We unanimously approved the following resolutions:

1. Renew the contract with Open Door Ministry for three years, effective January 1, 2021.
2. Brother Edmond Chung was recently advised by the Financial Professional Institute that under their practice policy he cannot serve as deacon of any religious organisation whilst practicing. The Elder and Deacon Committee has consensus to accept brother Edmond Chung's resignation of his service as Deacon of PEC. Brother Kelvin Yu will also be the "Coordinator of General Department " of PEC with immediate effect!

Prayer Items

1. 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 Mandarin Gospel meeting at April 9 and the Chinese spiritual nurturing meetings at April 10-11, pray for the speaker and the coordination work for those meetings.
4. 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.
5. The church has been hosting online meetings for quite a while now during this pandemic. May the Lord help us to be constantly aware of our innermost attitude towards Him. Whatever the circumstances, may we always have a fearful and loving heart for our Lord.
6. Pray for the current political situation in Myanmar. May God maintain His authority so that the population may have peace. May He bestow wisdom, strength, unity and faith in the people, so that they may live in circumstances without hatred and fear. Please also pray that they will discover true peace in Jesus Christ.
7. 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 in the people, so that they may live in circumstances without hatred and fear. Please also pray that they will discover true peace in Jesus Christ.
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 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.

PEACE EVANGELICAL CHURCH CALENDAR OF PRAYER IN MARCH 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Pray that amidst the prolonged pandemic, God will increase our faith and endurance, that we might look upon our Lord to renew our strength.	2 Pray that God will help us to fear Him in the tribulation, so that we can be alert in prayer, living in the light and examination of the Holy Spirit.	3 Pray for Caleb fellowship.	4 Pray for Paul fellowship.	5 Pray for Isaac fellowship.	6 Pray that God will keep our online gatherings, and that the brethren will attend on time and with a reverent heart.
7 Pray for spiritual wisdom, that in all things and difficulties we might come to know God's will and plan.	8 May the Lord help us to bare and accept each other, that we may see more of our own short comings, and how God's grace is on the other brothers and sisters.	9 Pray for Daniel fellowship.	10 Pray for Silas fellowship.	11 Pray for Elisha fellowship.	12 12. Pray for the churches and saints in HK, that God will be with them amidst the pandemic and political difficulties.	13 Pray for the churches and saints in China, that be alert and faithful under pressure and deception.
14 Pray for the churches and saints in sufferings in the disasters all over the world. Let us keep out lamps bright, know that the Judge stand before the door.	15 Pray that God will 'let the mind of Christ be in us', so that by the reality of such heart, we may come to know His will.	16 Pray for Titus fellowship.	17 Pray for David fellowship.	18 Pray for Joshua fellowship.	19 Pray for the nation if Israel and the Jews scattered at different places, that God's grace will be upon their wise men to witness for the Messiah.	20 Pray that the Lord will keep the lamp stand of our church, that we won't drift away from the presence of the Lord because of all the troubles within and outside.
21 Pray that God will exhort us in striving to keep the 'one' in Christ, and to accept our own losses as true moderation.	22 Pray that God will keep the elderly and the sick among us.	23 Pray for all children fellowships.	24 Pray for all of our church's and family bible study groups.	25 Pray for the Summer conference, that it may not be hindered by the epidemic.	26 Pray for all co-workers, elders and deacons.	27 Pray that God will keep the churches in HK and China, that they might be armed with a desire to suffer for Christ.
28 Pray that the Canadian Federal, provincial, and local governments and leaders, that they will fear God and know that the judgement is coming for sure, and to turn them from their wicket ways by punishment.	29 Pray that we will prepare for the difficulties ahead, and get ready to give an account to the Master.	30 Pray for the unbelieving friends and families.	31 Pray that the saint will depend on the Lord, that amidst the difficulties they may serve earnestly with a strong heart, revealing the Glory of God.			