

Peace Evangelical Church

April 4, 2021

Today's Communion Service

Chairperson Boaz Hung
Pianist Samuel Law

Today's Service

Speaker Jeason Chan
Chairperson David Jones
Pianist Samuel Law

April 11, 2021

Next Sunday's Communion Service

Chairperson David Jones
Pianist Valerie Leung

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Speaker Alistair Milne
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Commitment

Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. - John 12:25

The American Civil War might have been averted and a peaceful emancipation of slaves achieved had there been more people like journalist Elijah Lovejoy. After observing one lynching, Lovejoy was committed forever to fighting the awful sin of slavery. Time after time, mob action was brought against him. But neither this nor many threats and attempts on his life deterred him.

Repeated destruction of his presses didn't even stop him. He said, "If by compromise is meant that I should cease from my duty, I cannot make it. I fear God more than I fear man. Crush me if you will, but I shall die at my post."

And he did... four days later at the hands of another mob. And not one member of the mob that killed him was prosecuted or indicted or punished in any way for this murder. But one young man was deeply moved by the Lovejoy martyrdom. He had just been elected to the Illinois legislature. His name was Abraham Lincoln.

As a Christian, you have a calling that's much greater than even your own life. And while most today won't experience martyrdom, the commitment should be the same. So devote yourself to the calling of Christ above all others and you'll be blessed forever!

Prayer Challenge

Ask God to give you the strength to commit yourself to Him, no matter the cost!

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 April Elders and Deacons Meeting will be conducted via Zoom on the April 11th (next Sunday) at 2:30 pm. Will all concerned please take note and attend punctually.
3. The church will conduct a Mandarin Gospel Meeting on April 9 (Friday) at 7:00pm, 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.
4. The church will conduct Chinese spiritual nurturing meetings online on April 10th - 11th (Sat & Sunday). Speaker: Brother LIU. We encourage brothers and sisters to participate.
5. The church encourages everyone to attend our prayer meetings via Zoom, in order to jointly keep vigil on, and petition for, our members, thereby learning how to serve God through prayer.
6. 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
CAZaEHrB	200.00	CAKFTfgP	1,000.00	CAuzB3Wd	179.90	General	4,750.00
CA38ww2g	900.00	CAvYpYMn	70.00	CAK8RKbw	400.00	Mission Fund	200.00
CA7mPxVg	80.00	CA4E6ZX6	300.00	CAJM7Xcd	500.00	Caring Fund	179.90
CAM7xZDJ	1,500.00						
Total Amount					5,129.90		5,129.90

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 intercede for the pastoral team, elders and deacons of our church. May God grant them wisdom, decisive power, strength and courage to lead our church. We would also remember all serving person our church in our prayer, may God grant them with love to serve Him, all of them would have a merciful heart, patience to build our church and everyone of them would be a faithful servant to Him.
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. 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.
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. 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.
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.