

Peace Evangelical Church

Sept 12, 2021

Today's Communion Service

Chairperson Jimmy Chow

Pianist Nancy Quan

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Speaker David Jones

Chairperson Boaz Hung

Pianist Nancy Quan

Sept 19, 2021

Next Sunday's Communion Service

Chairperson Jeason Chan

Pianist Boaz Hung

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Speaker Austin Milne

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Becoming a Better Bible Student

These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. - Deuteronomy 6:6-7

Pastor Joseph Parker ministered for years at City Temple in London, England. One morning, an elderly woman walked up to him after a service and thanked him for shedding some much-needed light on a particular Bible story.

"Dr. Parker," the woman began, "you do such a wonderful job explaining the Bible. Did you know until this morning, I had always thought Sodom and Gomorrah were husband and wife?"

Biblical ignorance can sometimes make people feel uneasy, especially if they're around others who seem to know more than they. This uneasiness can sometimes lead to discouragement, causing a person to think, "I'll never be as well-versed in the Scriptures as that person."

The truth, however, is that no one is born knowing the Bible. And for every person you think about who seems to be a "super-Christian" and know all the right verses, there are others who know much more.

Don't be discouraged if you're not as knowledgeable about the Bible as you'd like to be. Start today and spend time getting to know it better. When you do that, you'll take the first step toward becoming a better student of the Word of God!

Prayer Challenge

Pray that God would help you become a better student of His Word by reading it daily.

Questions for Thought

Think of one person whom you regard as well-versed in the Scriptures. How do you think he/she got to that point?

Can you think of someone you know who can hold you accountable to spending daily, intentional time in God's Word?

Hi everyone,

On behalf of the elders and pastoral leadership we would like to update our English congregation on how we continue to move forward while attending in person meetings at PEC. We expect the situation to be fluid for quite a while as the government mandates and recommendations will change with the fluctuation of cases and hospitalizations. Although it is not ideal we are grateful to God for His goodness and the freedom we still experience in BC.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT WE WILL FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES:

1. Do not come in if you are feeling sick or experiencing and COVID like symptoms.
2. Sanitize your hands with hand sanitizer or soapy water when you enter the building.
3. An usher will assist you in signing in.
4. Please wear a mask at all times while in the building. The only person required not to wear a mask is the chairman or song leader and the speaker. Even though churches do have special exemption for the mask mandate and proof of immunization we still have decided to implement the above guideline to be on the safer side and to protect all those attending our services.
5. Please maintain social distancing protocols as much as possible. This includes the proximity to how close we sit with other church members during the church service. Please stay within your own family households.
6. Although we have truly appreciated those who have brought food items for consumption in the break, unfortunately we have to be careful and ask that until things are more stable that we refrain from sharing any food at this time.
7. If you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact us. Thanks for your patience and cooperation.
8. For your convenience please refer to the guidelines stated by the CDC and their latest updates shown here:

http://www.bccdc.ca/Health-Info-Site/Documents/COVID_public_guidance/COVID-19_Guidance_Faith_Based_Organizations.pdf

<http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/community-settings/faith-based-spiritual-and-worship-practices>

Church News

1. In conjunction with our current online services, the Church will also restore in-person meetings for communion, worship, and Sunday School. Our various prayer meetings, fellowships are also being conducted online via Zoom video conferencing. With these arrangements, may God cause us to be connected and built up spiritually.
2. For the Children ministry. We will only have zoom meeting for all Friday night children fellowship. On Sunday, we will only have in person meeting for Worship and Sunday school, no zoom meeting provided. All parents please pay attention.
3. Chinese Sunday School between Sept to Nov will start today, we encourage brothers and sisters actively take part in these Sunday School classes and have ourselves built up in the truth.
4. The church's Baptism ceremony will be held at 3 pm on September 12 (today). A Zoom meeting will also be simultaneously arranged for on-line viewing. The link will be sent out through each fellowship. For those who are going to be baptized today, please come back church at 2.30pm to get prepare. Please pray for all baptizing members so that they will follow the Lord all their days and live out the life of Christ. Please reserve time to attend.
5. The 2021 Annual General Meeting of the church will be held online via ZOOM at 2:30 pm on Sunday, September 19. The official Notice of Meeting, Proxy Form, 2020 Financial and Accountant's Reports and all ancillary materials have been sent to all registered members by email. Those who have not returned signed proxy forms but have already registered for ZOOM please attend punctually.
6. September is assigned as the visiting month for elders and deacons to visit brothers and sisters so as let everyone to get a closer understanding among others. If you wish to be visited by elders or deacons, please contact Sister Esther Hung.
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
113005	200.00	113462	100.00	CA6cTBJ2	100.00	General	9,635.00
113007	330.00	113463	200.00	CA6eetdg	1,000.00	Mission Fund	430.00
113010	300.00	113468	3,000.00	CAkc6dX7	1,000.00	Caring Fund	200.00
113182	350.00	113469	200.00	CAMSeKBT	200.00		
113192	700.00	113470	200.00	CatDTnNU	250.00		
113373	300.00	CA2q8uQe	1,000.00	CausqzKF	100.00		
113430	200.00	CA3CfXqS	300.00	CAXJebkv	200.00		
113436	35.00						
Total Amount					10,265.00		10,265.00

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.
3. Thank God for guiding our Church to restart in-person communion, worship, and Sunday School services. Various fellowships have also begun meeting in the church. May the Lord inspire the congregation to build up our lives in love with God and people.
4. During the process of the gradual opening up of health restrictions, may the Lord guide the church to lead members to arrange all matters of the church with wisdom, and enable brothers and sisters to bear witness in their lives that are pleasing to Him among the people on earth, so that all glory will be returned to the Father.
5. 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.
6. The number of people from Hong Kong returning or immigrating to Canada is likely to increase. The church would like to take this opportunity to get in touch with them and bring them to Christ. May the Lord give wisdom and loving hearts to the "PEC New Immigrants Gospel Care Group" so that new arrivals from Hong Kong may receive the benefit of the Gospel.
7. Please pray for the youths in their upcoming new semester. May everyone have a fearful heart and bear good testimonial for the Lord. May God grant them wisdom, intelligent and concentrate in their education. Especially pray for those who studying aboard for the new semester, wish them walking with our Lord every day and Glorifying God and Doing good to men in everything.
8. Please pray for the educational policies of each province and school board for this new school year. May all parents faithfully keep watch over and safeguard the edification of their children. May God bless devoted school board members and the arrangements and decisions of each board so that the students may be glorified.
9. Please pray for the government of Canada, in particular for the upcoming parliamentary election on September 20. May God control the governance of the Prime Minister and his cabinet so they will enact benevolent, fair and just laws. May God also bestow good conscience, morality, courage and knowledge to bureaucrats and members of parliament so that they will uphold the rule of law and core values.
10. Please remember the current situation in Afghanistan. May the Lord have mercy on the people, give them peace and the opportunity to know the one true God. In particular, remember the missionaries and Christians there so that they may experience God's protection and providence and bear witness to His Glory.
11. Please pray for the federal parliamentary elections being carried out on September 20. May the Lord have mercy upon all the members of parliament so that the policies they implement will be just and righteous, for the benefit of all the people, and with love and care for every citizen.
12. 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.

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.