

Peace Evangelical Church

Oct 10, 2021

Today's Communion Service

Chairperson Jeason Chan

Duty Deacon Jimmy Chow

Today's Service

Speaker David Jones

Chairperson Phyllis Tso

Pianist Boaz Hung

Oct 17, 2021

Next Sunday's Communion Service

Chairperson Jimmy Chow

Duty Deacon David Jones

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Speaker Alistair Milne

Chairperson Gordon Chow

Pianist Nancy Quan

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DO YOU LOVE THE BIBLE?

For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. - Hebrews 4:12

A minister was out one day visiting the home of one of his church members. The lady of the house welcomed him in, and began trying to impress him with how devout her family was by pointing out the large Bible on the bookshelf.

"We have a real reverence and respect for God's Word in this house," she told the minister. And as she was talking, her five-year-old son walked in the room, overhearing part of the conversation.

He interrupted, saying, "Mommy, I didn't know that book was God's. We should probably just send it back to Him because we never read it anyway."

So many Bibles in homes these days serve no other purpose than to sit on the shelf and collect dust. Few people really read God's Word. And even worse, many mistakenly believe that having a Bible on the shelf accounts for some kind of spirituality.

An unopened Bible is as useless as no Bible at all. So be sure to open God's Word regularly. It won't transform your life just sitting on the shelf!

Prayer Challenge:

Ask God to help you stay consistent in His Word so it can transform your life.

Questions for Thought:

How often do you think you honestly open your Bible?

What can you do to become more consistent in reading 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. For the English Ministry, communion will return to the start time of 9:00 am as from October 10. Concurrent online ZOOM participation for both communion and worship will only be available until the end of October. From November 7 onwards, all English services will be in-person only. Members please take note.
4. The October Elders and Deacons Meeting will be held at room 202 on the 10th (Today) at 2:30 pm. Will all concerned please take note and attend punctually.
5. The church will conduct Chinese spiritual nurturing meetings online on Oct 15th - 17th (Fri - Sun). Speaker: Brother Yeung. We encourage brothers and sisters to participate.
6. The English Ministry of the church will hold a Spiritual Nurturing Conference from October 15 to 17. At 8:00 pm on Friday, Oct 15 and 10:30 am on Saturday, Oct 16, the meetings will be via Zoom. Speaker: Brother Jurgen Schultz. At 10:00 am on Sunday, Oct 17, the meeting will be in-person and by live-streaming concurrently. Speaker: Brother Alistair Milne. May brothers and sisters prepare their hearts to attend. All English Sunday schools will proceed as always.
7. At 8 pm on Friday, Nov 5, the church will be hosting a Cantonese Gospel Meeting online. Speaker is Brother Yeung. Please earnestly invite your non-believing friends and family members to attend this online event.
8. Our 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.
9. 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
113008	340.00	CA9SzaXp	1,000.00	CAqMm7s4	50.00	General	16,150.00
113167	100.00	CABEsgQb	100.00	CAUMQACz	70.00	Mission Fund	140.00
113171	1,000.00	CAE8m2sQ	180.00	CauNjPGP	6,000.00	Caring Fund	350.00
113183	350.00	CahMgeKj	1,000.00	CAVbZ3Bx	2,000.00		
113418	1,200.00	CAPhuxKb	200.00	CAVcqX8G	250.00		
113473	200.00	CAq5G8DY	300.00	CaqsApAV	2,000.00		
113514	300.00						
Total Amount							16,640.00
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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. Please pray for the Chinese & English spiritual nurturing meetings at Oct 15-17, and Cantonese Gospel meeting at Nov 5, pray for the speakers and the coordination work for those meetings.
5. 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 strengthened 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.
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 those members who are currently seeking to be theologically equipped. May the Lord give them wisdom, the resolve to offer oneself, and the strength to continue serving God.
8. Pray for the federal Members of Parliament who were just elected. May God have mercy on them so that they will enact just and righteous policies, work for the benefit of the people, and are devoted to the citizenry.
9. 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.
10. 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.