

Peace Evangelical Church

Jan 16, 2022

Today's Communion Service

Chairperson Jeason Chan
Duty Deacon David Jones

Today's Service

Speaker Austin Milne
Chairperson Barry Chao
Pianist Boaz Hung
Usher Samantha Tan

Jan 23, 2022

Next Sunday's Communion Service

Chairperson Boaz Hung
Duty Deacon Jimmy Chow

Next Sunday's Service

Speaker David Jones
Chairperson Carol Ho
Pianist Valerie Leung
Usher Oliver Yu

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Dealing with Bitterness

See to it that no one falls short of the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many. - Hebrews 12:15

Underneath the ground of Belgium's Flanders Field, one of the deadliest battlefields of World War I, a very dangerous and deadly secret lies. It's so deadly, in fact, that it's caused a very big problem for the Belgian government.

You see, all across this field, artillery shells are surfacing more than 90 years after they were fired. Still unexploded, many are still very capable of killing. Some are unearthed by farmers and construction workers, while others simply work their way up through the soil. Dozens of full-time workers cannot keep up with them. And even worse, thousands of these projectiles contain poisonous gas.

It's one thing to recognize something that can cause immense damage when it's obvious. I'm sure you didn't have to tell the soldiers fighting in World War I to avoid those artillery shells at all costs! However, when things such as these lie dormant for so long, they become all the more precarious because they are an unseen danger.

In much the same way, many Christians today hold on to bitterness for years, even decades, before it finally comes up to the surface or is unearthed by a particular situation. And when that happens, it can often be damaging, and even deadly, for relationships between friends and family.

So if you have any "unearthed" bitterness in your heart, be sure you deal with it by forgiving the person it concerns and even talking with them about it. Don't let buried feelings of contempt harm your relationships with friends and family because those relationships are some of God's greatest gifts!

Prayer Challenge:

Pray and ask God to reveal to you any "unearthed" bitterness, no matter how old, you might have in your heart toward another person. If you find you do carry buried resentment, forgive that person and let them know you've let it go.

Church News

1. Due to recent developments in the pandemic, the BC Government has issued new safety guidelines. Therefore, our church is making the following adjustments: Members attending services and meetings other than in the main sanctuary or fellowship hall, namely in the 8280 house and all ancillary rooms of the main building, inclusive of adult Sunday School, Truth Seeker and Truth Learning classes, and all fellowship groups, must be fully vaccinated. Otherwise, you are requested to attend via Zoom meeting or live streaming at home. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.
2. Please note that the church has commissioned a cleaning company to fully sanitize all classrooms, washrooms, the main sanctuary, fellowship hall, hallways and offices etc. on each Saturday pending further review.
3. The English Congregation will be holding a Winter Conference on Feb 23-27 via Zoom Meeting. The speaker is Brother Nate Bramsen. Will Brothers & Sisters mark this in your calendar and attend.
4. Our church continues to encourage all members to pick one family per day from the church's membership directory and pray for them. May brothers and sisters strive to pursue the goal of care and intercession for one another in the household of the Lord through greetings, prayers and visitations, so that we can interact, communicate and connect with one another through understanding and love, thereby building up our friendships so that the church may be suffused with warmth as would a family.
5. 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
113011	300.00	CA6CZP3D	70.00	CAmWp3zC	700.00	General	4,100.00
113335	200.00	CA7r943r	200.00	CAPugk4A	160.00	Mission Fund	300.00
113580	120.00	CAar4WGm	50.00	CATRmmHd	200.00	Caring Fund	200.00
CA358gqf	900.00	CAgnAqQn	250.00	CAYPwtz4	100.00	Silas Fellowship	50.00
CA5PBE6W	1,000.00	CAHUXXEr	400.00				
Total Amount					4,650.00		4,650.00

Jan 2022 Elders and Deacons meeting resolutions

We unanimously approved the following resolutions:

1. Contract with Dhillon Bro Paving Ltd for snow removal and salting.
2. Contract with Ashton Mechanical Ltd for annual regular inspection of the cooling and heating fan system.

Prayer Items

1. Please pray for the direction of the English Ministry for this year. The Theme is "United in Christ; Alive in Christ". May brothers and sisters earnestly remember and adhere to the teachings of the Bible and be willing to faithfully follow the Lord to the end; to seek first His Kingdom and His Glory, cherish their remaining days on earth, and boldly bear witness for the Lord so that all glory will return to Him.
2. Please continue to intercede in prayer for those members, by name, who are weak in flesh or spirit. May God heal and give strength to them.
3. Please pray for the needs of the Children's Ministry, especially during this epidemic, since it is hard for the church to reach out to children who aren't attending services in person. Hopefully, we will still be able to edify them in accordance with the Lord's instructions and admonitions so that they will tread and not deviate from the proper path throughout their years. May the Lord help every child amongst us to be reborn through salvation and grow robustly in body and spirit.
4. Please pray for the English Winter Conference to be held on Feb 23 to 27. May the Lord bless and use the speaker and all preparatory work, so that every attendee may establish a surpassing relationship with Him.
5. Pray for churches everywhere. May the Lord abundantly bestow the power of discernment to them so that they can remain vigilant for this age. May God grant grace and power to His faithful servants so that they will steadfastly hold firm for themselves and their flocks until the return of the 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.