

# Peace Evangelical Church

April 3, 2022

*Today's Communion Service*

*Chairperson* David Jones

*Duty Deacon* Phyllis Tso

*Today's Service*

*Speaker* David Jones

*Chairperson* Samantha Tan

*Pianist* Boaz Hung

*Usher* Oliver Yu

April 10, 2022

*Next Sunday's Communion Service*

*Chairperson* Jimmy Chow

*Duty Deacon* David Jones

*Next Sunday's Service*

*Speaker* Austin Milne

*Chairperson* Grace Sun

*Pianist* Valerie Leung

*Usher* Oliver Yu

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## **Staying committed to your higher calling**

*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 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!*

## Hi Everyone,

1. **Masks** - As many know starting on March 11th, our province's public health order no longer requires wearing masks in public indoor settings. However, in consideration of others among us, our church will continue to recommend and encourage everyone attending our church services and fellowships to wear a mask while inside the building, until further notice.

The provincial health order also allows 100% attendance regardless of your personal vaccine status. Our church to provide very safe and considerate health practices surrounding Covid-19.

2. **Sunday Meetings** - Until Sunday, May 29, 2022 we will continue to provide the zoom option for our communion service beginning at 9 a.m and our Sunday School beginning at 11:30 a.m. We also will continue to livestream our Sunday morning sermons at 10 a.m.

Beginning on June 5, 2022 we will return to our pre-pandemic format. The Sunday sermon will be recorded and the Sunday sermon will be uploaded to the website following the service. These plans are to coincide with our Chinese congregations who are using the same timeline. With these changes in mind, we do encourage all to begin attending the Sunday services in person. We have found that it is truly a blessing to all who attend.

3. **Fellowships** - All Cantonese, Mandarin and English church fellowships will begin to meet in person by June 3, 2022 but we leave it up to the individual fellowships to make their own decisions if they would like to begin meeting before this date as some have already started.

4. **Prayer Meeting** - For practical convenience we have decided that our weekly prayer meeting will remain unchanged and continue on zoom at 8 p.m. on Tuesday nights.

For further questions please contact the English Ministry Elders, Deacons or Pastor Dave.

## Church News

1. The April Elders and Deacons Meeting will be held on the 10th (next Sunday) at 2:30 pm via Zoom. Will all concerned please take note and attend punctually.
2. Our church encourages brothers and sisters to actively attend our weekly prayer meetings. We can maintain vigilance per our supplications, learn to serve God through our prayers, and be alert to Satan's destruction and assault, thereby lifting high the victorious testimony of Christ. If however you truly cannot attend a prayer meeting, please pray and intercede together with your family members at home.
3. 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
113465	300.00	113758	1,436.28	CAGbsXXT	120.00	General	7,021.28
113677	105.00	CA6kKNNu	160.00	CAGvF9Ra	1,000.00	Paul Fellowship	50.00
113697	100.00	CA7euktB	200.00	CAJpxbES	200.00	Isaac Fellowship	50.00
113713	200.00	CA8wMV6n	500.00	CAmqSWqJ	100.00	Silas Fellowship	50.00
113725	200.00	CAAXH4NG	550.00	CAstGBpK	2,000.00		
Total Amount					7,171.28		7,171.28

## 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 keep in mind the joint Mandarin and Cantonese Spiritual Nurturing Meetings from April 8 to 10. Pray for the speaker and all preparatory works. May the Lord bless and use these meetings to renew and revive brothers and sisters in order that they will commit to serve Him and steadfastly love one another so that all glory returns to God.
4. Please remember Caleb Fellowship's Video Gospel Meeting on April 15. May God bless each attendee so that they will be enlightened and accept the grace of salvation.
5. 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.
6. Please pray that the Covid 19 pandemic can be swiftly brought under control. In particular, please remember the situation in Hong Kong. May the Lord help believers to sustain one another and bear wonderful witness for Him through His grace. Pray for health workers in the front lines throughout the world, the difficult work done by administrators in each nation, and all people in distress, that they will find relief. May people recognize their limitations with humility and turn back to Jesus Christ our Lord.