

# Peace Evangelical Church

Aug 7, 2022

## *Today's Communion Service*

*Chairperson* Jimmy Chow

*Duty Deacon* David Jones

## *Today's Service*

*Speaker* Mark Robinson

*Chairperson* Max Hui

*Pianist* Boaz Hung

*Usher* Chloe Chow

Aug 14, 2022

## *Next Sunday's Communion Service*

*Chairperson* Boaz Hung

*Duty Deacon* Phyllis Tso

## *Next Sunday's Service*

*Speaker* David Jones

*Chairperson* Gordon Chow

*Pianist* Valerie Leung

*Usher* Chloe Chow

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## **Steering Clear of Self-Sufficiency**

*Such confidence we have through Christ before God. Not that we are competent in ourselves to claim anything for ourselves, but our competence comes from God. He has made us competent as ministers of a new covenant—not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life. - 2 Corinthians 3:4-6*

The famous evangelist Jack Taylor was alone in his hotel room one night after a long meeting. He felt exhausted – but not just from the meeting. He was overwhelmed with performing the tasks of ministry. So he cried out to God in prayer, “Lord, if I have seen everything You have for me in my ministry, then take my life and let me die.”

The prayer was followed by silence. So Taylor went to sleep.

The next morning, he woke up hearing God’s voice in his heart. He felt the Lord was saying, “Jack, I have answered your prayer and I am going to let you die... to yourself. I’ve seen your ministry, now I want you to see what I can do.”

Jack Taylor’s life and ministry were never the same again. He became totally dependent upon God and no longer strived and sputtered in the self-sufficiency of his flesh.

Daily life can often be exhausting. And when you add the responsibilities Christians have of reaching others with the Gospel – it can be overwhelming to try and do it on your own. But in those times you feel exhausted, remember you can rely on God.

You can’t do it all under your own power. Give Him your life, and watch what He can do through you!

## **Prayer Challenge:**

Ask God to help you resist the temptation to do everything in your own strength, and fully rely on Him every day.

## 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 August Elders and Deacons Meeting will be conducted on the 14th (next Sunday) at 2:30 pm in Room 202. Will all concerned please take note and attend punctually.
2. All the sermons of this year's Chinese Summer Bible Conference have been uploaded to our church website (<http://www.pec.bc.ca.>). Please make use of the opportunity to familiarize and reflect on these messages.
3. Our church's evangelical outreach program in Richmond's public parks have been reinstated by the Missionary Dept on every Thursday and Saturday at 7:00 to 8:30 PM up to August 27. All participants will first assemble at the church before heading out. Pray that there will be ample opportunity to share the Gospel with others and lead them to Christ. Brothers and sisters who are certain of their own salvation and have the calling for Gospel preaching are encouraged to attend. Please contact Brother Arthur Wang or Sister Pan with any questions.
4. Our church encourages brothers and sisters to actively participate in our weekly church prayer meetings. Together we can be vigilant and intercede for our church, learn to serve God through our prayers, and be on guard against the sabotage and attacks of our enemy, the devil. If you really cannot attend a prayer meeting in person, please keep watch for the church at home together with your family members.
5. Providing another option for Brothers & Sisters to make online monetary offerings, the Treasury Dept has set up Interac e-Transfer for electronic payments via the email address: [offering@pec.bc.ca](mailto:offering@pec.bc.ca). Please feel free to contact Phyllis Tso of the Treasury Dept with any related questions.
6. Our church welcomes the engagement of Brother Kelvin Yu as our next Church Administrator. A brief transition ceremony will be held at 11:15 AM today (Aug 7) in the sanctuary. We invite all brothers and sisters to attend and pray for our brother and his family.
7. 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
113816	100.00	CACcHXGz	300.00	CAsaKzZu	800.00	General	5,730.00
113868	1,230.00	CADQKMwU	500.00	CASSxbj4	1,000.00	Mission Fund	100.00
113875	100.00	CAEvekN	500.00	CAtvTNbz	450.00	Maintenance Fund	500.00
113893	100.00	CAPBS39z	200.00	CAuSAaAu	750.00	Summer Camp	300.00
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					Total Amount	6,630.00	6,630.00

## 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 restarting of our Public Park outreach program from June to August. Pray that the Lord will bless and utilize all of our preparatory works so that the Gospel may be preached widely and many will come to Christ.
4. Give thanks to the Lord for His bountiful grace and supply of admonitions in the messages, and discernment of the members during our Chinese Summer Conference. Pray also for God to bestow fortitude to the dedication of brothers and sisters so that we may follow His Way, serve Him fervently, treat others with kindness, and have resolve and vigor to carry out our commitment to the Lord so that we can live rooted and victorious lives. May God continue to uphold the church and display His unity with us and His power so that the members can live in deference and triumph.
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. May He permit us to recognize our innermost attitude towards Him and thereby always retain a fearful and loving heart for the Lord under all circumstances.