

1995-2020
25th Anniversary

Count His Blessings

You crown the year
with your bounty
and your carts overflow
with abundance

Psalm 65:11



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ORDER OF SERVICE

Monthly Theme: Count His Blessings Through Prayer and Worship

March 22, 2020

Call to Worship

Praise		Worship Team
Scripture Reading	Proverbs 16:16	Pastor James Wong
Message		Pastor James Wong

“Wisdom Needed for Our Time: Why Wisdom?”

Songs of Response		Worship Team
Prayer for Offering	Pastor James Wong, Congregation	
Announcements		Pastor James Wong
Closing Prayer		Pastor James Wong

SCRIPTURE READING & SERMON OUTLINE

“How much better to get wisdom than gold!

To get understanding is to be chosen rather than silver.”

(Proverbs 16:16)

Big Idea: Money is necessary and improves our life materially, but only wisdom enables a person to live well holistically (materially, emotionally, psychologically, relationally, socially and spiritually). Wealth improves a life externally, but wisdom improves the person himself.

Other Scriptural References: Proverbs 23:4-5; 14:15; 10:2; 30:7-9; 3:7-8, 21-26; 17:22; 18:14, 24; 20:5-6; 30:33; 10:11-12; 9:10; 15:29; 16:3; 3:1; 2:1, 5-6

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. *Welcome to our Sunday Service.* In light of the COVID-19 coronavirus situation, pastors and deacons encourage congregants to remain at home as much as possible and maintain social distancing.

From **March 14** (Sat.) to **March 29** (Sun.), we are suspending all church activities (including Children Sunday school, Youth Worship, CM and EM Sunday school, prayer meetings, fellowship and small groups, etc.). CM Evening service has been suspended until further notice.

During this period:

- We are livestreaming our services online (EM service at 9:30am, CM service at 11:15am). We encourage brothers and sisters to participate via the livestream weblink: <http://www.svpgmbc.org/live>.
- Congregants can still submit offering by writing a cheque payable to “SVPGMBC” and mailing it to the church (611 E. 50th Ave., Vancouver, BC V5X 1A9). Please include your full name, offering number if available, and offering designation category(ies) (e.g., General, Missions, Capital Asset Fund) in the cheque memo. When submitting a cheque by mail, we suggest wrapping the cheque with an extra sheet of paper for increased security.
- The church office will be temporarily closed as staff are working from home at this time. Please email us at svpgmbc@hotmail.com if necessary.
- The church will provide regular updates; congregants are also encouraged to check the church website for updates (<http://www.svpgmbc.org>).
- The church invites congregants or their family to consider informing the church office if they or a family member become infected, so that leadership can support, pray, and follow-up as necessary.

2. Due to the COVID-19 coronavirus situation, our April 5 ***Annual General Meeting and Deacon Election*** will be postponed until further notice.

3. **Prayer Requests:** Our Care Ministry and pastoral team want to support you in prayer, especially in these times of difficulty, unprecedented changes, and uncertainty. If you have a prayer request, please submit it at: svpgmbc.org/prayer We will commit to praying to you for the next two weeks. Feel free to submit the request again if you'd like us to keep praying for you!
4. **In the Christian calendar, Lent** is a forty day period before Easter that is a time to prepare our hearts and lives and remember Christ's suffering, death, and resurrection. This year Lent is from **February 26 to April 11**.
5. **Choir is inviting EM brothers and sisters to participate in the choir** for our 25th anniversary joint service (May 31). For those interested, please contact Sarah Tam (choir committee director) at schtam101@gmail.com by **April 12**.
6. **Church Family News:** We welcome with joy Madelyn Chen, born to Naomi Shao and Shoujun Chen on March 11, and baby boy Soo, born to Carmen Ng and Michael Soo on March 15. Please keep their families in prayer.
7. Please continue to keep the senior pastoral search and EM pastoral search processes in prayer.

Subscribe to a playlist of worship songs sung at SVPG: <http://svpgmbc.org/spotify>

PRAYER REQUESTS

1. Pray that we would be a church that depends on God through prayer and that is shaped by His Word.
2. Pray that God would continue to lead our church. Pray for our deacons and leaders as they serve and lead, and as we seek God's guidance and protection in these times of difficulty, changes, and uncertainty.
3. Please pray for our pastoral searches; pray that God would bring a shepherd after His heart to our church.
4. Please pray for the parents of young infants, that God would give them strength, patience, wisdom, and meaning and purpose in the everyday ministry of parenthood and discipling their children.

MARCH & APRIL 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
15 EM Worship	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 EM Worship	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 EM Worship	30	31	1	2	3	4
5 EM Worship	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 <i>Easter Service</i>	13	14	15	16	17	18

Weekly Meetings

All ministry gatherings are currently suspended until further notice.

For Sunday service, please join us via livestream at: www.svpgmbc.org/live

Sunday Worship: Sunday, 9:30 am (Weekly) / 10 am (Joint Sunday: April 12)

Servants of the Ministry:

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