



SOUTH VANCOUVER PACIFIC GRACE MB CHURCH

Connecting with Glory (2 Corinthians 4:16-18)

April 18, 2021

ORDER OF SERVICE

Monthly Theme: Connecting with Glory in New Life

Opening Prayer		Grace Lin
Praise		Worship Team
Scripture Reading	Luke 21:5-19	Stephen Ramsay
Message		Stephen Ramsay
<i>“Jesus’ Words of Truth Amidst Devastation”</i>		
Songs of Response		Worship Team
New Deacon Board Installation and Prayer		Rev. Paul Lam
Announcements		Pastor James Wong
Closing Prayer		Pastor James Wong

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SCRIPTURE READING

⁵And while some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, he said, ⁶“As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.”⁷ And they asked him, “Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?”⁸ And he said, “See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is at hand!’ Do not go after them. ⁹And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once.”

¹⁰Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. ¹¹There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. ¹²But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. ¹³This will be your opportunity to bear witness. ¹⁴Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, ¹⁵for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all for my name's sake. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your lives.

Luke 21:5-19

Ways You Can Give and Tithe to Our Church

1. By Cheque:

- Payable to: SVPGMBC or South Vancouver Pacific Grace MB Church
- Mail to church address: 611 E. 50th Ave., Vancouver BC, V5X 1A9
- Include a memo with your name (if different), offering number, amount and offering designation (General Fund/ Mission Fund/ Capital Asset Fund/ Others)

2. By E-Transfer:

- Set up e-Transfer in bank account. Add SVPGMBC as your transfer contact with the email offering@svpgmbc.org.
- When making offering transaction, enter amount and under memo section, include your name (if different), offering number, and offering designation (General Fund/ Mission Fund/ Capital Asset Fund/ Others) and amount

For inquiries, to request a personal offering number, or to update your mailing address, please contact the church office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Welcome to our Sunday Service.** We thank Stephen Ramsay for sharing God's Word with us today.
- On behalf of the pastoral team and deacon board, we would like to thank members and those who participated in the AGM last week. The online AGM was attended by 108 members and 4 nonmembers. For those who attended/voted, we appreciate your engagement and commitment to our church's well-being and future endeavours.

Deacon Election results: Ian Chian, Brian Kung, and Maria Wong were elected/re-elected as deacons for April 2021 to April 2023. Please keep our new deacon board in prayer: Ian Chian, Brian Kung, Karen Lau, Felix Law, Monica Ngan, and Maria Wong. We thank Reijien Lai, Elaine Leung, Terence Lin, and Carmen Ng for their faithful service in their term as a deacon.

- 3. The Ship:** Come join us for "**The Ship!**" a **short 15 minute social time** after Sunday Service livestream where we as a church crew can muster together for a time of fellowship. No video or mics are required! All are welcome!

Sunday, April 18 Right after service - Social Time.

10:50am - 11:05am – Paper Planes w/ Evelyn & Family

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86588672053?pwd=V1Z1MVpmZVFEEVFFpWXJqcDdlZm9KZz09> (Meeting ID: 865 8867 2053 / Passcode: 869008) *Please note the new Zoom link

Help Chart the Ship! Are you interested in helping or brainstorming for future ship voyages? Our next planning session will be on Sunday, **May 2 at 2pm**. If you are interested in helping, please contact Ian (ianchian@gmail.com) for more details!

- Brothers and sisters, in light of the sad news of Cadence's passing, we will be embarking on a 4-week group grieving process together using the resource provided by Sanctuary Ministries. Join us for small group conversation, prayer and walking together at 11:30am. Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82678537043>

- 5. Children's Bible Stories** (online) is held on Sundays, 10:30am to 11am, for kids between ages 7 to 9. Please contact Pastor Justun for the Zoom link or more info.

- Ramadan is from April 13 to May 12 this year. Christians are encouraged to especially pray for the Muslim World in these 30 days. From the links below you can find more information and videos of the Muslim World from both a global and local perspectives. You can also download the 30 day prayer guide. While there is a \$2.50 cost to download the pdf file, the church is able to reimburse you for this cost.

Please apply for reimbursement by emailing the Missions board at svpgmbc.missions@gmail.com. Thank you for your prayers.

- [30 Days of Prayer for the Muslims World](#) - Join the international movement of prayer that began in 1993. Adult and kids guides are available.
- [Canadian Ramadan Prayer Points](#) - Download the Canadian Prayer Guide, from Loving Muslims Together, or subscribe to receive daily email prayer prompts for your Muslim neighbours. *Updated 2021 Version Coming Soon*
- [Prayercast - Love Muslims Videos](#) is where you can subscribe to receive prayer videos focused on the Muslims world. There's an amazing library of videos from previous years, so spend some time watching and praying.
- [Loving Muslims Together Events](#) is where you will find information about Night of Power prayer meetings held online across Canada towards the end of Ramadan. Join one and pray with others for light to shine in the darkness.

7. Church Family News: On April 5, our sister Cadence Tong passed away and went into the presence of the Lord. The family asks that we respect their privacy during this time as they grieve. Please keep all the family members in prayer.

- The memorial service for Cadence will be held on Wednesday, April 21 at 10am. Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aQ40qi7pgmo>
The weblink will be available for viewing until the end of Friday, April 23. Please use your discretion in sharing this link with those who know Cadence or the family personally.
- In lieu of flowers, the family requests that all donations to be made to "Foundry's Provincial Initiative" in Cadence's honour:
<https://foundrybc.ca/donate/donate-foundry-provincial-initiative/>
- To send a message (online) of sympathy and support for the family or share a memory of Cadence, visit: <https://www.dignitymemorial.com/en-ca/obituaries/vancouver-bc/cadence-tong-10141885> (Please note that the messages are public to those with the link)

8. Resources for Grief, Mental Health, and Support:

1. [CAMH resource](#) (see pages 17 onwards for supporting children and youth as they grieve)
2. **Foundry BC for free counselling for young people** (includes in-person/virtual appointments)
 - Phone for support: 1-800-784-2433
 - Website: <https://foundrybc.ca/get-support/>
3. **Kids Help Phone for free counselling for young people**
 - 1-800-668-6868

- Website: <https://kidshelpphone.ca/>

9. Prayer Requests: Our Care Ministry and pastoral team would like to support you in prayer. If you have a prayer request, please submit it at: svpgmbc.org/prayer
We will commit to praying for you for the next two weeks.

10. March Offering Statistics:

	Jan. – Feb.	March
General Fund	\$63,210.55	\$33,785.37
Missions Fund	\$11,300.12	\$2,385.00
Capital Asset	\$2,625.00	\$15.00
Total	\$77,135.37	\$36,185.37

11. Our live-stream services (<http://www.svpgmbc.org/live>) continue and leadership will regularly reassess the health situation and adjust accordingly. At this time:

- Congregants can still submit offering by e-transfer or by mailing in a cheque.
- The church office is temporarily closed as staff are working from home. Please email us at svpgmbc@hotmail.com or leave us a phone message.
- We invite congregants to consider informing the office if they or a family member become infected, so that leadership can support, pray, and follow-up as necessary.

PRAYER REQUESTS

World Concerns:

1. Pray for the leaders of every country, asking God to grant them a righteous heart, a spirit of wisdom, and compassionate love in governance. Pray for disadvantaged communities everywhere, that they would be supported, healed, comforted and safe in the face of difficulties, and have enough food and clothing. Pray that the Lord would lead us to steward our resources well to build up and benefit our communities.
2. Pray for the countries and people still experiencing natural disasters, unjust or difficult political situations, wars, and economic difficulties. May the Lord show mercy and alleviate these situations, and pray that He would give people the heart to return to Him.
3. Pray for the world's severe pandemic situation. Pray for wisdom and perseverance for governments of all countries to fight the pandemic, for citizens to adhere to the health guidelines and protective measures, for the physical strength and health of frontline medical workers, and the health of teachers and students.

Church Direction and Ministry:

1. Pray that we would be a church that depends on God through prayer and His Word.

2. Pray for the deacon board, that they may serve in God's wisdom, love, and unity.
3. Pray that the Lord would bring a shepherd after His heart to our church in His timing.
4. Pray for the teams serving, that they may stay healthy and rely on the Holy Spirit.
5. Pray for the direction of Youth Worship and Children ministries. Pray for leaders who are willing to serve, and pray for children and youth who may be willing to learn.

Church Family:

1. Pray for those in our church family who have a lost loved one. Pray for God's comfort, peace, and presence as they grieve. Pray for our church as we grieve/walk with them.
2. Pray for the parents of infants, that God would give them strength, patience, wisdom, and purpose in the everyday ministry of parenthood and discipling their children.
3. Pray that God would protect seniors and young families with physical, mental, and spiritual health and peace during the pandemic.
4. Pray for Tiffany Tam for her theological practicum with CCM Canada and her studies.
5. Pray for Esmond Chow as he does his theological internship at PGMBC, serving seniors and young parents and co-leading an online Alpha course, while still working.

Weekly Meetings

Sunday Worship: Sunday, 9:30 am (Weekly) / 10 am (Next Joint Sunday: May 2)

Sunday School: Sunday, 11:30am to 12:45pm (Weekly, except Joint Sunday)

Servants of the Ministry:

Advisory Pastor (Honorary): Rev. Paul Lam

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