



SOUTH VANCOUVER PACIFIC GRACE MB CHURCH

Transformation in Love (Ephesians 5:1-2)

January 9, 2022

ORDER OF SERVICE

Monthly Theme: Transformation in Love: Growing in Truth

Opening Prayer		Eric Wong
Praise		Worship Team
Scripture Reading	1 Corinthians 6:12-20	Pastor James Wong
Message		Pastor James Wong
	<i>“A Holy Sex Life Is a Blessed Life”</i>	
Songs of Response		Worship Team
Announcements		Pastor James Wong
Closing Prayer		Pastor James Wong

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SCRIPTURE READING

¹²“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are helpful. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. ¹³“Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food”—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body.

¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. ¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, “The two will become one flesh.” ¹⁷But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. ¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, ²⁰for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

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

3. By Cash or Cheque (In-Person):

- Fill in an offering envelope and put the cash/cheque in. Put the offering envelope in the offering box before or after service.

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.*

For those joining us in person, please wear a mask and dress warmly.

2. *Please submit all 2021 expenses/financial claims* to the financial department by next Sunday, **January 16**. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

3. *Pastoral Search Update:* Two pastoral search committees have been formed. We covet your prayers during this time of discernment and searching.

Senior Pastoral Search Committee: Emily Lai (chair), Carmen Li, Jane Chu, Brian Kung, Monica Ng, and Pastor James Wong; Reverend Paul Lam as an advisor.

CM Pastoral Search Committee: Jane Chu (chair), Jacky Yim, Kevin YY Lam, Monica Ng, and Pastor Laretta Leung; Reverend Paul Lam as an advisor.

4. *BC Flood Relief Donations:* We encourage brothers and sisters and congregants to donate directly to the following organizations if you would like to contribute:

1) Canadian Red Cross: <https://donate.redcross.ca/page/94172/donate/1?locale=en-CA>

2) Samaritan's Purse: <https://www.samaritanspurse.ca/single-donation/help-british-columbia-flood-victims>

5. *EM Wide Fellowship* will be on Friday, **January 21**, 7pm to 8pm. Come join us for a virtual night of conversations, sharing, prayer, and games! This month, we will have special guests among us, including our missionary Rebecca who will be sharing with us, so you won't want to miss out. Feel free to invite your friends and family! Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88598304094> Meeting ID: 885 9830 4094

6. *Church Family News:* We welcome with joy baby Avery Erin Chan, born to Ethan and Ephra Chan on January 4. Please keep the family in prayer.

7. *2022 Flower Dedication:* If you would like to make a flower dedication (by freewill offering), please sign up at the church news board or online: <https://bit.ly/2022FD>

8. *December Offering:*

	Jan. – Nov.	December
General Fund	\$457,546.40	\$129,602.62
Missions Fund	\$67,456.12	\$19,385.00
Capital Asset Fund	\$2,755.00	\$3,000.00
Total	\$527,757.52	\$151,987.62

Note: Fund received includes India COVID Crisis Fund \$1100 and Grocery Ministry \$11,040

9. Grocery Ministry: We thank everyone who has been supporting the grocery ministry to families connected with Edmonds Community school through financial giving, serving as volunteers, and prayer. By God's grace, we have raised over \$11,000 and have enough volunteers. We launched the ministry in October and it is ongoing; seven deliveries have been made so far. If you are still interested in financially giving, you can do so by adding "E&O Grocery Ministry" in your offering memo.

10. 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.

11. We are having EM in-person/hybrid services regularly. Please note:

- The livestream is available at: <http://www.svpgmbc.org/live>.
- The CM services (11:20am) will be online only for the month of January.
- The church office is temporarily closed as staff are working from home. Please email us at svpgmbc@hotmail.com.
- If you or a family member has contracted COVID-19, please inform the office.

12. Church closure for worship service/ events in inclement weather or emergencies:

If the church would need to cancel in-person service or other events, we will make an announcement the **Friday** before the service (or roughly 2 days before the event time) and notify congregants through the fellowship/small group network. The same update will be posted on the church website and social media. Please use your best discretion regarding safety in whether to attend a church event or service in cases of inclement weather. If in-person service is cancelled, service will be livestreamed online: <http://www.svpgmbc.org/live>

Sunday Children and Youth Ministries

9:20am to 10:45am (in-person/hybrid Sundays)	Bible Island – Basement and Nursery for young families with children under 6 years old; includes songs, Bible lessons, learning
10:00am to 11:30am (joint service Sundays)	joint service Sundays – children under age 10
10:30am to 11am (except joint service Sunday)	Children Bible Stories – Online/Hybrid for kids between ages 7 to 9
11:20am to 12:35pm (except joint service Sunday)	Jesus Farm – Nursery [https://bit.ly/jesusfarm] for young families with children 3 to 8 years old
11:30am to 12:30pm (Jan. 9, 23, Feb. 13, 27)	Youth Worship – White House (585 E 50 th Ave.) for youth ages 10 to 13

For more information or Zoom links, please contact Pastor Justun or Stephanie Ko.

PRAYER REQUESTS

World Concerns:

1. Pray for the pandemic to subside, as the number of infections continues to rise. Pray for severely affected countries, for effective prevention and control of the virus, and that Christmas and New Year gatherings will be safe and not further spread the virus. Pray for patients to be treated and to recover, for health workers to have strength, health, and support, and for adequate supply of vaccines and fair distribution.
2. Pray that more people would reflect on their lives during the Christmas and new year season and during the pandemic, and experience Christ and come to salvation.
3. All 17 members of the missionary family kidnapped in Haiti were released on December 17 and returned home safely. Thank the Lord for his protection and rescue. Continue to pray that everyone will be healed physically and mentally, and the kidnappers will repent.
4. Pray for those affected by Indonesia's Mt. Semeru volcano eruption, and those who have been affected by the cluster of deadly tornadoes in the six midwestern US states. Pray for the Lord's mercy on the dead, injured, and missing. Pray for rescue for those missing, and support, recovery and healing for those affected.
5. Pray for those affected by the floods and landslides in BC, that assistance would be provided and the weather would remain stable and not cause further damage. Pray for the restoration and repair of road infrastructures, and the rebuilding of the homes affected.
6. Pray for a smooth restart/ transition for Vancouver and BC, that more will be vaccinated, and that those who have caught the virus may recover well and quickly.
7. Pray that the poor and homeless can receive assistance and support, and that those with mental health struggles can experience hope and healing through Jesus and other supports.

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 Lord to lead the process of hiring a senior pastor and Chinese ministry pastor, and that we would seek God's will together. Pray for the pastoral search committees.
3. Pray for the pastors and staff to adapt to the pandemic changes and challenges, coordinate well, and attend to pastoral and ministry needs.
4. Pray for the deacons, that they may serve in the Lord's wisdom, love, strength, and unity.
5. Pray that newcomers would find a welcoming and supportive community as God leads.
6. Pray for the teams serving, that they may stay healthy and rely on God's strength. Pray for adjustments with less volunteers, and God's provision of brothers and sisters to serve.
7. Pray for the children's and youth ministries, for parents' participation, children and youth participation, and the wisdom and perseverance of the ministry teams and leaders.
8. Pray for the grocery ministry for refugee families that launched in October.
9. Pray for the Missions board as they plan for the upcoming year.

Church Family:

1. Pray for Tiffany Tam as she is serving with CCM's mission ministry. Pray for God's wisdom and strength to mobilize churches to participate in missions in small towns, and pray that He will provide opportunities for pastoral care and evangelism online/offline.
2. During the Christmas and New Year holidays, pray for a safe and healthy journey, harmony and joy for relatives and friends visiting from afar.
3. Pray for God's comfort and presence for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one.
4. Pray for the healing and recovery of brothers and sisters and/or family members who are ill or unwell.
5. Pray for brothers and sisters who are unemployed or facing financial difficulty in this time. Pray that God would give them peace, provide for them, and guide them.
6. Pray that God would protect seniors and young families with physical, mental, and spiritual health and peace during the pandemic and cold weather.
7. 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.

Weekly Meetings

Sunday Worship: Sunday, 9:20 am (Weekly) / 10 am (Joint Sunday: February 6)

Sunday School: Sunday, 11:30am to 1:00pm (Weekly, except Joint Sunday)

Servants of the Ministry:

Advisory Pastor (Honorary): Rev. Paul Lam

Interim Lead Pastor: Pastor James Wong (jamescywong.ministry@gmail.com)

Chinese Ministry: Pastor Laretta Leung (larettaleung@yahoo.ca)

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Children & Youth Ministry: Pastor Justun Chan (justun.chan@gmail.com)

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