



Vancouver Chinese Evangelical Free Church
December 17, 2023 - ESC Worship Service

Call to Worship

Worship in Song

Lighting of the Advent candle

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:38-42

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: “Radical Love” (Pastor Christopher Lam)

Response in Song

Offering and Prayer for Offering

Doxology

Community Time and Announcement

- Welcome! If you're new to our worship service, welcome to our church! You are invited to stay for snacks and refreshment at the Fellowship Hall after today's service. If you like us to connect with you, please email us at hello@vcefc.org so that someone from the care team can reach out to you.
- We will be sending a short term mission team to Panama this Summer to help run an English Camp in support for the local churches. It is an overnight English youth camp that also focuses on the gospel. The English lessons will be VBS style, using Bible stories, songs and sharing of the gospel. The chance to improve one's language skills is the draw for many non-Christian parents and youths.

Mission Dates (5/31-6/10) and Fees*

Camp Dates: Mon to Fri, June 3-7 *

On-site Training: Sat to Sun, Jun 1-2 (STMs to arrive by Fri, May 31)

Local Outreach Event: Sun, June 9

Application deadline: Mon, February 5, 2024.

If you are interested in joining the short term missions team, please contact Pastor Joe at hello@vcefc.org

More information is available at the church website:

<https://vcefc.org/1033/wp-content/uploads/PanamaEC2024-Informational.pdf>

- We will celebrate Christmas this year with a combined worship service with all three congregations on Sunday December 24th at 10:30 am. Please remember that the underground parking is reserved for Seniors and family with young infants.

- New Sunday school class: December - February: The Book of Genesis
Genesis has been subjected to misinterpretation ever since Christianity shed its Jewish root within 200 years after Christ and is misused for polemical purposes against scientism. The objective of this course is to rediscover its pivotal place in the Bible—as the book of origins and the foundation of our understanding of human predication and the need for salvation.
- We would like to offer our congregation members free subscription use of Rightnow Media (<http://rightnowmedia.org>) . It is a Christian service that provides the world’s largest video-streaming library of Biblical resources, with thousands of discipleship videos, small group material, Biblical teachings and seminars, plus safe and wholesome children entertainment videos for the family to enjoy. If you are interested in receiving this free resource please sign-up in person at the fellowship hall after the worship service or online at:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScnyJTZJS4kwixleYpW8iQ4nEa2Sav7einQWo4TIWTYyqli8A/viewform>
- All ministries are requested to email their 2023 annual report to the admin office at admin@vcefc.org. Deadline: December 20 (Wednesday). If you need translation, please submit it before December 13th.
- A reminder for those who bought tickets to this afternoon’s ESC Christmas Luncheon that the event starts at 12:30 pm in the fellowship hall.

11. Benediction:

1 Thessalonians 3:12-13

May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints. - Amen