

Speaker : Pastor Joseph Yu

Worship Leader : Darren Lau

Scripture Reader : Alyssa Chan

Call to Worship		Darren Lau
Worship in Song		Darren Lau
Grade 1-6 dismissed to Children’s Worship		Darren Lau
Scripture reading	Acts 2:42–47	Alyssa Chan
Pastoral Prayer		Joseph Yu
Sermon	Devoted Together	Joseph Yu
Response Song		Darren Lau
Offering and Prayer		Chung Yan Ip
Doxology		Darren Lau
Community Time and Announcement		Chung Yan Ip
Benediction		Joseph Yu

Romans 15:5-6

May the God of endurance and encouragement
grant you to live in such harmony with one another,
in accord with Christ Jesus,
that together you may with one voice glorify
the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
-Amen.

Announcement

1. **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.
2. The Church Board would like to invite all church members to a **Family Meeting** on Sunday, September 20, from 12:45 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Fellowship Hall. During the meeting, members will have an opportunity to meet a candidate for the ESC Assistant Pastor position for Youth and Student Ministry.
3. The upcoming **General Membership Meeting** will be held on October 25th (Sunday). At this meeting, we will elect church leaders to lead and assist the ministries of our church. According to Article 4.1.5 of the Bylaws of VCEFC, any two members of a congregation may nominate a third member of the same congregation as a candidate, after consulting with the congregation pastor. Nominations must be submitted in writing to the church board at least three weeks before the election date and must be signed by both the nominee and the nominating members. The deadline for nominations is October 4th. Please pray for the nomination and election of church leaders.
4. **Alpha Course:** Tuesday nights 6:30pm-8:30pm (Dinner provided), from October 20 to December 1st. Alpha is for anyone who's curious about faith. The talks are designed to encourage conversation and explore the basics of the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. Please invite your friends. Email hello@VCEFC.org for more information or to register.

5. **Sunday School:** Fall Semester 6 – December 6

End Times – The Return of the King by Pastor Joseph Yu

This course explores the study of "last things," including death, judgment, the afterlife, and the end of the world. By the end of class, you will understand how ideas about the future shape human hope, belief and daily life today.

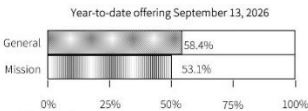
Introduction to the Bible by Hansel and Andrew

The Bible and How Not to Read It" is the first course in reading the Bible for understanding. It consists of two parts. The first part examines the nature of the Bible (the Old and the New Testaments)—addressing the role of the Bible in believers' lives, its origins, and its transmission. The second part explains how the Bible should be read correctly (2Ti 2:15). As the Bible is an ancient work of literature written over two thousand years ago under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, modern readers must approach it with humility, deference, and care.

Philippians by YC Ip

Paul's Epistle to the Philippians is one of the most personal and theologically concentrated of Paul's letters. It is a relatively short (less than 2100 words with 104 verses) letter, but it provides answers to such important questions as: Christian identity, Christ's humility and exaltation, the Church community, Christian joy and prayers and the ultimate Christian hope.

Weekly Offering:



Year-to-date Building Fund offering \$14,942
Year-to-date Benevolent Fund offering \$17,002.45
As of Aug. 31, the total General Fund expense is 48% of the annual budget.
The revenue received is 57% of the annual budget.
To find more about actual offering figures, please ask admin office.

DEVOTED TOGETHER

Acts 2:42–47

Big Idea: God calls us not only to follow Christ individually, but to become a devoted community that grows together, cares for one another, and displays Christ's love to the world.

1. A LEARNING CHURCH

“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching...” — Acts 2:42

The early church was committed to learning God's truth. Doctrine guides our direction, and God's truth brings transformation. We cannot grow spiritually on opinions and feelings alone; we need to anchor our lives in the unchanging Word of God.

Ask: Am I intentionally growing in my understanding and application of God's Word?

2. A CARING CHURCH

“They devoted themselves...to fellowship...” — Acts 2:42

Christian fellowship (koinonia) means more than socializing. It is sharing life together in Christ—through worship, meals, prayer, encouragement, and sacrificial love for one another.

Community will cost us something—our time, convenience, vulnerability, and sometimes our resources. Yet our church family can also carry us through seasons of crisis and be an reflection of God's love to us.

3. A WITNESSING CHURCH

Our changed lives become instruments of change. Evangelism happens through proclaiming the gospel, personal invitations, and the way we live before others.

“Live such good lives among the pagans...” — 1 Peter 2:12

Jesus prayed that His followers would be one “so that the world may know” that the Father sent Him (John 17:20–23). A unified, devoted Christian community can point a lost and lonely world toward Jesus.

REFLECTION

Have I invited others to encounter Jesus by bringing them to God's Word and into the church?

Do I in a way that reflects to others who Jesus is in my life?

Am I part of a church community that is learning, caring, and witnessing together?

Prayer:

Lord, make us one. Give us grace to do the hard work of building community, so that others may see Your love in us and experience Your grace through us. Amen.

Sunday Worship Service / Sunday School

English Service	09:30am – 10:45am
Children’s Worship	09:30am – 10:45am
Sunday School Schedule	11:30am – 12:30pm
Wed Prayer Meeting	07:30pm – 8:30pm (Zoom)
Sunday Prayer Meeting	8:45 am – 9:25 am (in person @Chapel)
1 st Sunday each month	

Fellowship / Small Group

KG to Grade 6: AWANA	Saturdays 4:15 – 5:45 pm	Fellowship Hall
Teens: Timothy Fellowship	Saturdays 7:00 – 9:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
College Age: Daniel Fellowship	Fridays 7:30 – 9:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
Young Adults: Journey Fellowship	The 2 nd and 4 th Fridays from 7:30pm – 9:30pm	
Age 60 and up: Cornelius Fellowship	The 2 nd and 4 th Sundays from 1:30 – 3:30pm	
Career and post-career: Small Groups Young Families	Throughout the week	
ESC Gathering	3 rd Sunday of the month	Fellowship Hall

VCEFC exists to glorify God and extend His blessings in the neighbourhood and beyond by building up a faithful and joyful community of Christ followers through the Spirit-led pursuit of deeper life, closer community and further missions.

2026

Build & Be Built

Living a community life
of mutual edification

From him the whole body, joined and held together
by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself
up in love, as each part does its work.

Ephesians 4:16

Reverend Joseph Yu
Pastor Danny Wu
Reverend Job Chan
Pastor Janie Chan
Pastor Cheryl Hung
Pastor Brian Wong

(English Congregation Pastor)
(English Youth and Student Ministry)
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