

Growing ESC in 2018...



Adult Sunday School > 11:30 am upstairs

NO ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY because of the Spring Camp

STARTING MAY 27. **Basic Christian Ethics** with Hansel Wang in Room 4. The objective of this course is to explore the relevance of the Ten Commandments as the basic tenets of Christian ethics for believers who live in this post-modern era. [Please fuller description at the Front Desk]

STARTING MAY 27 **Sunday School Special Events**

Testimonies and Learning from the Mission Field, specifically Africa and the Middle East; starting with Molly Lin on May 27.

Science and Faith: What Conflict? (an extension of the recent Apologetics course, and the start of an occasional series on science and faith matters). A light lunch and Q & A is planned for 12:30 too.

The Background of the Letters to the Seven Churches: Archeology, Geography, Culture



Children, You are Welcome!

We value the **gift of children** at our church. There are a number of childcare settings on Sunday mornings, ranging from the viewing gallery for parents with newborns, to classrooms upstairs for toddlers and pre-school age children. All **childcare rooms** are available from the start of our service; the ushers can guide you. There is a children program for grades K-6 upstairs at 9:45 am. There are Sunday school classes for children up to Grade 12 upstairs at 11:30 am.



Adult Groups and Fellowships

- **Micro Discipleship Group (MDG):** 3-4 people gathering together every two weeks for study of essential discipleship themes based on widely-used material by Greg Ogden; plus sharing & prayer; P Dan helps to launch and coach the MDGs
- **Life Group:** 10-15 people gathering to follow a Bible discussion curriculum, to share and pray and offer personal support for growth in Christ, and to pursue mission or service projects
- **Fellowships** (open attendance): five options, one for each of the various age groups in the congregation; these larger groups are a great place for newcomers to attend and to begin to make connections.

Sermon Notes

ESC Prayer Time – Sundays 9:00 am

Space has been set aside in the Chapel for ESC members to pray.



Prayer Needs

If you have any prayer request that you would like posted in the bulletin, you can e-mail Pastor Dan. danwilliams@vcefc.org Please be praying:

- For high school students working towards the end of term
- For one of our families who have experienced an unexpected loss and others supporting parents in their health issues.
- For Cyriaque's mom, recovering in a Rwandan hospital, and for his travel plans to visit her, now postponed
- For safe travels as the ESC campers return home this afternoon
- For the three folks on mission trips: Gloria, Hannah, and Wes
- For all the full-time missionaries that we support as a church
- For the Pastoral Search processes still under way
- For Pastor Phil, Hope City Church and all our EFCC sister churches



Pentecost

May 20, 2018

God Knows, So Why Pray?



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ESC WORSHIP SERVICE

May 20, 2018

Sermon: Pastor Edward Lee

Offering: Brian Man

* Note: if you have children in grades K to 6, they should already be upstairs in the Children's Worship Club. This program starts at 9:45!

Experiencing God in Praise and Prayer

Invitation to Worship

Worship through Songs, Readings, and Prayers

Ministry of the Word

Scripture: Matthew 6:7-13

Title: If God Already Knows, Why Pray?

Responding to the Word and Spirit

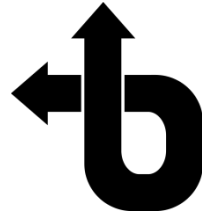
Community on Mission

Offering, Doxology, and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Community Time

Benediction

ESC at a Glance



Our Purpose and Priorities

UP: Connect to Jesus –

IN: Connect to one another –

OUT: Connect to those not yet following Jesus

Pastor Dan “open door from 2 to 4”

Any Thursday when P Dan is not on vacation, drop by the office from 2 to 4 pm if you want to connect.

He is in fact on vacation May 25-Jun 4.



Welcome Table Newcomer? Disconnected? Check out the Welcome Table in the Fellowship Hall, where the new Welcome Team will greet you and orient you and connect you--plus ply you with hot beverages!



THE “SHIP” Next CRUISE Ship: July 1.

BBQ in the courtyard and special program.

Field Trips Regent Spring School Lectures Wed 7:30 pm

May 30 Christian Witness and the Common Good: Rethinking Christian Mission

June 6 Mission in the Age of Rapid Change: Lessons from the Past

***Note: the public lectures are now available by live stream!

VCEFC at LARGE

Announcements:

> VBS is Aug 13-17 Forms available at the Front Desk. Registration begins on May 27 at 12:45pm, on the second floor, outside the Children's worship room. The capacity this year will be 70 children. For details, contact Martin To or email at childrenministry@vcefc.org

> Looking for work? A good spot to find a job with a Christian employer: churchforvancouver.ca

> Courtesy: Church is a place for worship and fellowship; hence, any unauthorized fundraising activities, including the solicitation of pledges or money for charity, and any kind of commercial activity, are not allowed.

>Office will be closed on Monday due to Victoria Day Holiday.

VCEFC 2018 Theme

Abiding in Christ, Bearing Fruit for God's Glory

連於基督，結果豐盈，榮耀上主

ext: John 15:7-8



Spring Camp

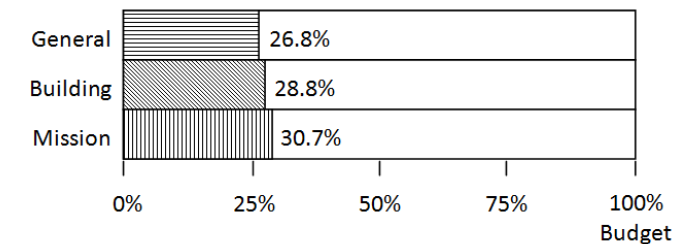
May 18-20 at Charis Camp, Chilliwack

Please pray for a good wrap-up to camp and a safe drive home for all!

Last Week's Attendance & Finance Report

	ESC	VCEFC Total
Attendance	106	453

Year-to-date Offering – May 13, 2018



Other offering category:

Year-to-date Benevolent Fund offering \$2,903.15

To find more about actual offering figures, please ask admin office.