



Evangelical Community Church

Gathered on Sunday, September 14, 2025

Colossians 1:16 (ESV)

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WELCOME

We're glad that you could join us this morning! We'd love to get to know you. Please scan the QR code which will take you to our main links page where you will find our connect card.



CHILDREN — Sunday school for **Team Ruth, ages 3-6**, at **Room 301, 3/F YMCA**. Other teams (ages 7-12), class will start on September 21st but will be dismissed for special activity at the 4/F Ministry Center today. Alternatively children are welcome to stay with their family during the worship service. We also have an overflow room/cry room for children 2 and under with a livestream. It's located on the same floor, right outside welcome table.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Giving to ECC:

Please Scan the QR code above for online giving methods. You may place your gift in the offering bag as it is passed.



FY2025/26 (April to August 2025)

Offering received - \$2,255,460
Other income received - \$77,104
Expenses incurred - \$3,667,060
(all figures are unaudited)

Last Week's Offering—\$85,681

FIGHTER VERSES

Last week's Fighter Verse: September 7, 2025

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." - **John 10:10**

This week's Fighter Verse: September 14, 2025

"I will make with them an everlasting covenant, that I will not turn away from doing good to them. And I will put the fear of me in their hearts, that they may not turn from me." - **Jeremiah 32:40**

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship — Psalm 148

Songs of Worship

All Creatures of Our God and King
Holy Holy Holy

Old Testament Reading — Deuteronomy 6

Prayer of Confession

Songs of Worship

In Christ Alone
Speak O Lord

Pastoral Prayer

Fighter Verses

Welcome & Dismissal of Children

Sermon Passage — Colossians 1:15-20

Sermon

"The Christ of Christian Education"

Kiel Nation

Response Song — *"Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me"*

Offertory song — *"Abide"*

Announcements

Benediction — Colossians 3:16-17

Silent Reflection Time

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 148 (ESV)

- 1 Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens;
praise him in the heights!
- 2 Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars!
- 4 Praise him, you highest heavens,
and you waters above the heavens!
- 5 Let them praise the name of the Lord!
For he commanded and they were created.
- 6 And he established them forever and ever;
he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.
- 7 Praise the Lord from the earth,
you great sea creatures and all deeps,
- 8 fire and hail, snow and mist,
stormy wind fulfilling his word!
- 9 Mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars!
- 10 Beasts and all livestock,
creeping things and flying birds!
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the earth!
- 12 Young men and maidens together,
old men and children!
- 13 Let them praise the name of the Lord,
for his name alone is exalted;
his majesty is above earth and heaven.
- 14 He has raised up a horn for his people,
praise for all his saints,
for the people of Israel who are near to him.
Praise the Lord!

SONGS OF WORSHIP

All Creatures Of Our God And King

Verse 1

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
Oh praise Him
Alleluia
Thou burning sun with golden beam
Thou silver moon with softer gleam
Oh praise Him Oh praise Him
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

Verse 2

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
Oh praise Him
Alleluia
Praise praise the Father praise the Son
And praise the Spirit Three-in-One
Oh praise Him Oh praise Him
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

Verse 3

All the redeemed washed by His blood
Come and rejoice in His great love
Oh praise Him
Alleluia
Christ has defeated every sin
Cast all your burdens now on Him
Oh praise Him Oh praise Him
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

Verse 4

He shall return in pow'r to reign
Heaven and earth will join to say
Oh praise Him
Alleluia
Then who shall fall on bended knee
All creatures of our God and King
Oh praise Him Oh praise Him
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

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Holy Holy Holy

Verse 1

Holy holy holy; Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to Thee
Holy holy holy; Merciful and mighty
God in three persons; Blessed Trinity

Verse 2

Holy holy holy; All the saints adore Thee
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea
Cherubim and seraphim; Falling down before Thee
Which wert and art; And evermore shalt be

Verse 3

Holy holy holy; Though the darkness hide Thee
Though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see
Only Thou art holy; There is none beside Thee
Perfect in power; In love and purity

Verse 4

Holy holy holy; Lord God Almighty
All Thy works shall praise Thy name
In earth and sky and sea
Holy holy holy; Merciful and mighty
God in three persons; Blessed Trinity

John Bacchus Dykes, Reginald Heber

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 6 (ESV)

1 "Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the rules — that the Lord your God commanded me to teach you, that you may do them in the land to which you are going over, to possess it, 2 that you may fear the Lord your God, you and your son and your son's son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long. 3 Hear therefore, O Israel, and be careful to do them, that it may go well with you, and that you may multiply greatly, as the Lord, the God of your fathers, has promised you, in a land flowing with milk and honey.

4 "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. 5 You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. 6 And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. 7 You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. 8 You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. 9 You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

10 "And when the Lord your God brings you into the land that he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you—with great and good cities that you did not build, 11 and houses full of all good things that you did not fill, and cisterns that you did not dig, and vineyards and olive trees that you did not plant—and when you eat and are full, 12 then take care lest you forget the Lord, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of

the house of slavery. **13** It is the Lord your God you shall fear. Him you shall serve and by his name you shall swear. **14** You shall not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who are around you—

15 for the Lord your God in your midst is a jealous God—lest the anger of the Lord your God be kindled against you, and he destroy you from off the face of the earth.

16 “You shall not put the Lord your God to the test, as you tested him at Massah. **17** You shall diligently keep the commandments of the Lord your God, and his testimonies and his statutes, which he has commanded you. **18** And you shall do what is right and good in the sight of the Lord, that it may go well with you, and that you may go in and take possession of the good land that the Lord swore to give to your fathers **19** by thrusting out all your enemies from before you, as the Lord has promised.

20 “When your son asks you in time to come, ‘What is the meaning of the testimonies and the statutes and the rules that the Lord our God has commanded you?’ **21** then you shall say to your son, ‘We were Pharaoh's slaves in Egypt. And the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand. **22** And the Lord showed signs and wonders, great and grievous, against Egypt and against Pharaoh and all his household, before our eyes. **23** And he brought us out from there, that he might bring us in and give us the land that he swore to give to our fathers. **24** And the Lord commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the Lord our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as we are this day. **25** And it will be righteousness for us, if we are careful to do all this commandment before the Lord our God, as he has commanded us.’

SONGS OF WORSHIP

In Christ Alone

Verse 1

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest
drought and storm
What heights of love
What depths of peace
When fears are stilled
When strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

Verse 2

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

Verse 3

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory

Verse 4

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell
No scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll
stand

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Speak O Lord

Verse 1

Speak O Lord as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

Verse 2

Teach us Lord full obedience
Holy reverence true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of power that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Verse 3

Speak O Lord and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak O Lord till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory

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SERMON PASSAGE

Colossians 1:15-20 (ESV)

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. **16** For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. **17** And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. **18** And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. **19** For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, **20** and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

SERMON NOTES

"The Christ of Christian Education"

Colossians 1:15-20 (ESV)

Kiel Nation

Outline:

1. Wisdom and Folly

- a. Our encounter with reality
- b. Secular response (Tyson)
- c. Christian response (Kidner) i. Wisdom of Children

2. The Christ of all Reality

- a. Col 1:15-17
 - i. He is THE image of God who Upholds all
 - ii. He Created all things
 - iii. He is the Purpose of all things

3. The Christ of all the Church

- a. Col 1:18-20
 - i. He rules the Church
 - ii. His Resurrection is ours
 - iii. He IS the Gospel

SERMON NOTES

Discussion Questions:

- What does the secular lens (e.g., Tyson) explain well about the universe? Where does it fall short for meaning and purpose?
- Kidner emphasizes Scripture's role in orienting us. What concrete practices reorient you when you feel insignificant or overwhelmed?
- Can scientific wonder and Christian worship reinforce each other? Share an example.
- What do children see or say about God that adults often miss? Why do we lose that simplicity?
- How might a childlike posture (trust, curiosity, dependence) change your week?
- If Christ upholds all things, where are you tempted to live as if something else holds your world together?
- How does seeing Christ as Creator and Purpose of all things reshape your work, study, or rest?
- How might our church better display that Christ is both Lord of reality and head of the church? Give one concrete step.

RESPONSE SONG

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

Verse 1

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness
and freedom
My steadfast love my deep
and boundless peace

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine
I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

Verse 2

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour he will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed

To this I hold
my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley
he will lead
Oh the night has been won
and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

Verse 3

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released
I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

Verse 4

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete
still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me

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OFFERTORY SONG

Abide

Verse 1

For my waking breath
For my daily bread
I depend on You
I depend on You
For the sun to rise
For my sleep at night
I depend on You
I depend on You

Chorus 1

You're the way
the truth and the life
You're the well
that never runs dry
I'm the branch and
You are the vine
Draw me close and
teach me to abide

Verse 2

Where the Spirit leads
As I'm following
I depend on You
I depend on You
For the victories
Still in front of me
I depend on You
I depend on You

Chorus 2

Be my strength my song in the
night
Be my all my treasure my prize
I am Yours forever You're mine
Draw me close and teach me to
abide

Verse 3

When I pass through death
As I enter rest
I depend on You
I depend on You
For eternal life
To be raised with Christ
I depend on You
I depend on You

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Seeking Volunteers for the Book Table

Are you an ECC member looking for an easy way to serve the church? Be a book table volunteer! For details, please contact Mary (mcculloch.marym@gmail.com) or Joey (joey.keung@ecchk.org).

Ladies Tea Fellowship

Attention, all women! **SAVE THE DATE:** Fall Ladies Tea Fellowship, **Sunday, 28 September** from 1:30-3:30pm. **Catherine So** will be sharing with us from Acts 4:32-37. Please register at the welcome table or scan the QR code.



Church Retreat

Mark your calendars! We are thrilled to announce our upcoming church retreat from **November 7th to 9th** at **Wu Kai Sha Youth Village**. It's an opportunity for spiritual renewal, meaningful activities, and deepening our fellowship. Please scan the QR code for more details or contact us at info@ecchk.org.



Alpha Course

The Alpha Course will start on September 17th. ECC will be hosting the ALPHA COURSE in Putonghua. This class will run for about **10 weeks** on **Wednesday nights** from 7:00pm till 9:30pm in the **Ministry Centre**. This is a fantastic opportunity to introduce Christianity to your Putonghua speaking friends and family. Come along with them to ALPHA and pray and ask God to move in their hearts and lives.

Membership Class

Are you interested in learning more about Evangelical Community Church? If so, please join us on **Sunday, October 5, 2025, at 12:30 pm** at the **4/F Metropole Ministry Center**. Lunch will be provided. We'll share our vision for church life, ministry, our beliefs, and what it means to be a member of ECC.

Attending the class does not obligate you to join the church. If you are interested, kindly register at the welcome table or by scanning the QR code. Please contact us at info@ecchk.org for more details.

HAPPENING TODAY

Time	Event	Venue
9:15am	Youth Sunday School	6/F *MC
10:30am	Worship Service	4/F *YMCA
11:00am	Children's Ministry Sunday School <i>Team Ruth (ages 3-6)</i> (Dismissed to class after Praise & Worship)	3/F *YMCA Room 301
11:00am	Children's Ministry Sunday School <i>Teams Joshua & Timothy (ages 7-12)</i> (Dismissed to class after Praise & Worship)	4/F *MC
2:00pm	Filipino Ministry Fellowship	4/F*MC

UPCOMING EVENTS AND GATHERINGS

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Every Wednesday	10:30am	Women's Bible Study	4/F *MC
Wednesday, September 17	7:00pm-9:30pm	Alpha Course (<i>Putonghua</i>)	4/F*MC
Sunday, September 21 & 28	9:15am	Adult Education: <i>Foundations classes:</i> <i>Parenting 101, 201</i>	4/F *MC
Sunday, September 28	1:30pm-3:30pm	Ladies Tea Fellowship	4/F*MC

**Ministry Center, Metropole Building*

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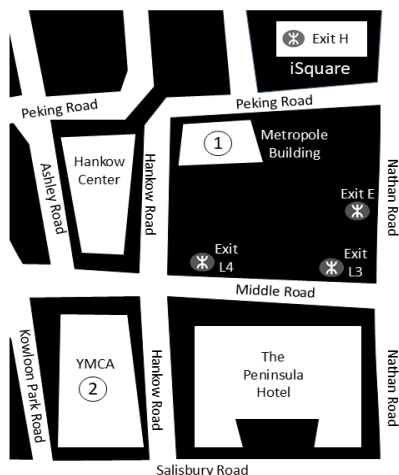
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