

Gathered on Sunday, September 28, 2025

Matthew 11:20 (ESV)

"Then he began to denounce the cities where most of his mighty works had been done; because they did not repent."

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 — Children will be dismissed for Sunday school right after the first part of the worship service. Team Ruth (ages 3-6) will meet in Room 301 on the 3rd floor of the YMCA. Other age groups (ages 7-12) will gather at the Ministry Center.

Alternatively children are welcome to stay with their family during the worship service. Additionally, we have an overflow/cry room for children aged 2 and under, equipped with a livestream of the service. This room is located on the same floor, right outside the welcome table.

PRAYER REQUEST

We would be happy to pray for you. If you have any prayer requests, please email us at prayer@ecchk.org.

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 - \$2,273,460 Other income received - \$77,104 Expenses incurred - \$3,667,060 (all figures are unaudited)

Last Week's Offering—\$274,745

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship — Psalm 95:1-7

Songs of Worship

All I Have Is Christ Only A Holy God

New Testament Reading — Hebrews 3:7-19

Prayer of Confession

Songs of Worship

Amazing Grace Refiner's Fire

Pastoral Prayer

Fighter Verses

Welcome & Dismissal of Children

Sermon Passage — Matthew 11:16-24

Sermon

"Repent and Believe"
Pastor Adam McCulloch

Response Song — "Behold the Lamb"

Lord's Supper

Offertory Prayer

New Member Introduction

Announcements

Benediction — Romans 15:13

Silent Reflection Time

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 95:1-7 (ESV)

- 1 Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
- 2 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
- 3 For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
- In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.
- 6 Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
- 7 For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

SONGS OF WORSHIP

All I Have Is Christ

Verse 1

I once was lost in darkest night; Yet thought I knew the way
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave
I had no hope that You would own; A rebel to Your will
And if You had not loved me first
I would refuse You still

Verse 2

But as I ran my hell-bound race; Indifferent to the cost You looked upon my helpless state And led me to the cross And I beheld God's love displayed; You suffered in my place You bore the wrath reserved for me Now all I know is grace

Chorus

Hallelujah all I have is Christ; Hallelujah Jesus is my life

Verse 3

Now Lord I would be Yours alone; And live so all might see The strength to follow Your commands Could never come from me O Father use my ransomed life; In any way You choose And let my song forever be My only boast is You

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Only A Holy God

Verse 1

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven Who else could make every king bow down Who else can whisper and darkness trembles Only a Holy God

Verse 2

What other beauty demands such praises What other splendour outshines the sun What other majesty rules with justice Only a Holy God

Chorus

Come and behold Him; The One and the Only Cry out sing holy; Forever a Holy God Come and worship the Holy God

Verse 3

What other glory consumes like fire What other power can raise the dead What other name remains undefeated Only a Holy God

Verse 4

Who else could rescue me from my failing Who else would offer His only Son Who else invites me to call Him Father Only a Holy God Only my Holy God

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NEW TESTAMENT READING

Hebrews 3:7-19 (ESV)

- 7 Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says, "Today, if you hear his voice,
- 8 do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, on the day of testing in the wilderness,
- 9 where your fathers put me to the test and saw my works for forty years.
- Therefore I was provoked with that generation, and said, 'They always go astray in their heart; they have not known my ways.'
- 11 As I swore in my wrath,

 'They shall not enter my rest.'"

12 Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. 13 But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. 14 For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. 15 As it is said,

"Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion."

16 For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? 17 And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? 18 And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? 19 So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

SONGS OF WORSHIP

Amazing Grace

Verse 1

Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me I once was lost but now am found Was blind but now I see

Verse 2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed

Verse 3

The Lord has promised good to me His Word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures

Verse 4

Through many dangers toils and snares I have already come 'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far And grace will lead me home

Verse 5

When we've been there ten thousand years Bright shining as the sun We've no less days to sing God's praise

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Refiner's Fire

Verse 1

Purify my heart Let me be as gold And precious silver Purify my heart Let me be as gold Pure gold

Chorus

Refiner's fire
My heart's one desire
Is to be holy
Set apart for You Lord
I choose to be holy
Set apart for You my Master
Ready to do Your will

Verse 2

Purify my heart Cleanse me from within And make me holy Purify my heart Cleanse me from my sin Deep within

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FIGHTER VERSES

Last week's Fighter Verse: September 21, 2025

"Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever."

— Psalm 73:25-26

This week's Fighter Verse: September 28, 2025

"Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life. Put away from you crooked speech, and put devious talk far from you."

- Proverbs 4:23-24

SERMON PASSAGE

Matthew 11:16-24 (ESV)

- **16** "But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates,
- 17 "'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.'
- 18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' 19 The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds."
- 20 Then he began to denounce the cities where most of his mighty works had been done, because they did not repent. 21 "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. 22 But I tell you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. 23 And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You will be brought down to Hades. For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. 24 But I tell you that it will be more tolerable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom than for you."

SERMON NOTES

"Repent and Believe"

Matthew 11:16-24 (ESV) Pastor Adam McCulloch

Outline:

- 1. Man's Stubborn Unbelief (v.16-19)
- 2. God's Response to Unbelief (v.20-24)

SERMON NOTES

RESPONSE SONG

Behold The Lamb

Verse 1

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away
Slain for us and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross
So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King

Verse 2

The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ Torn for you eat and remember The wounds that heal the death that brings us life Paid the price to make us one So we share in this Bread of Life And we drink of His sacrifice As a sign of our bonds of love Around the table of the King

Verse 3

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin
Shed for you drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
To receive the life of God
So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King

Verse 4

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
To respond and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of
Christ
As His body here on earth
As we share in His suffering
We proclaim Christ will come
again
And we'll join in the feast of
heaven
Around the table of the King

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OFFERTORY SONG

Still

Verse 1

Hide me now Under Your wings Cover me Within Your mighty hand

Chorus

When the oceans rise
And thunders roar
I will soar with You
Above the storm
Father You are King
Over the flood
I will be still and know
You are God

Verse 2

Find rest my soul In Christ alone Know His power In quietness and trust

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ladies Tea Fellowship - Today!

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.



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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Education Classes

On Sunday, October 5th, we will continue the class on the life of Jacob, titled "Found in the Fight". It will begin at 9:15 AM in the Ministry Center (MC), located in the Metropole Building.



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).

Monthly Men's Breakfast and Fellowship Time (Saturday, October 4th, 9:00-10:30AM in the Ministry Center)

Attention men! If you're looking to connect with other men from the church, please join us on Saturday mornings for our new monthly men's breakfast and fellowship time. On the first Saturday of each month, we will gather to eat and listen to a short devotion from God's word. Coffee and drinks will be provided – please bring your own breakfast!

HAPPENING TODAY

Time	Event	Venue
9:00am	Adult Education: Foundation Classes: Parenting 102	4/F *MC
9:15am	Youth Sunday School	6/F *MC
10:30am	Worship Service	4/F *YMCA
11:00am	Children's Ministry Sunday School Team Ruth (ages 3-6) Teams Joshua & Timothy (ages 7-12)	3/F YMCA Room 301 4/F *MC
2:00pm	Ladies Tea Fellowship	4/F *MC

UPCOMING EVENTS AND GATHERINGS

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Every Wednesday	10:30am	Women's Bible Study	4/F *MC
Friday, October 3	7:00pm	Youth Ministry: Youth Night Fellowship	4/F *MC
Saturday, October 4	9:00am	Monthly Men's Breakfast and Fellowship Time	4/F *MC
Sunday, October 5	9:15am	Adult Education: Life of Jacob: "Found in the Fight".	4/F *MC
Sunday, October 5	12:30pm	Membership Class	4/F *MC

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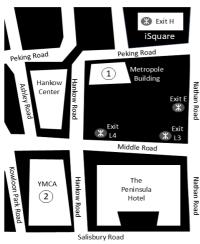
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