



Evangelical Community Church

Gathered on Sunday, October 12, 2025

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—\$89,885

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Call to Worship — Psalm 99:1-5

Songs of Worship

Holy Holy Holy

Shout To The Lord

Old Testament Reading — Jeremiah 29:1-14

Prayer of Confession

Songs of Worship

This I Believe

How Great Is Our God

Pastoral Prayer

Fighter Verses

Welcome & Dismissal of Children

Sermon Passage — 1 Peter 1:1-2

Sermon

"Elect Exiles"
Shannon Brown

Response Song — *"I Am Not My Own"*

Offertory Prayer — *"A City On A Hill"*

Benediction — Jude 1:20-21

Silent Reflection Time

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.



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).

Cantonese Tutor Needed

Three Christian young ladies from the USA will visit Hong Kong from November to December as part of a cross-cultural ministry exchange. They will be attending ECC. We need a lady who has some free time and can volunteer to teach them basic Cantonese 2 to 3 days a week for one hour. This can be done while enjoying dim sum or at a cha chaan teng, helping them experience the local culture of Hong Kong. If you are interested, please see Shannon.

Stay Connected: WhatsApp Community/ Weekly Email.

Join our ECC WhatsApp Community and sign-up to our Weekly Email, where you can stay connected and receive the latest news and updates about our weekly Sunday church services and programs.



WhatsApp Community



Weekly Email

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 99:1-5 (ESV)

- 1 The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble!
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!
- 2 The Lord is great in Zion;
he is exalted over all the peoples.
- 3 Let them praise your great and awesome name!
Holy is he!
- 4 The King in his might loves justice.
You have established equity;
you have executed justice
and righteousness in Jacob.
- 5 Exalt the Lord our God;
worship at his footstool!
Holy is he!

SONGS OF WORSHIP

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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Shout To The Lord

Verse

My Jesus my Saviour
Lord there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am
Never cease to worship You

Chorus

Shout to the Lord
All the earth let us sing
Power and majesty
Praise to the King
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name
I sing for joy
At the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You
Forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in You

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 29:1-14 (ESV)

1 These are the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem to the surviving elders of the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. **2** This was after King Jeconiah and the queen mother, the eunuchs, the officials of Judah and Jerusalem, the craftsmen, and the metal workers had departed from Jerusalem. **3** The letter was sent by the hand of Elasah the son of Shaphan and Gemariah the son of Hilkiah, whom Zedekiah king of Judah sent to Babylon to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon. It said: **4** “Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: **5** Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat their produce. **6** Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. **7** But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. **8** For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let your prophets and your diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream, **9** for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not send them, declares the Lord.

10 “For thus says the Lord: When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will visit you, and I will fulfill to you₈

my promise and bring you back to this place. **11** For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. **12** Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. **13** You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart. **14** I will be found by you, declares the Lord, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, declares the Lord, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

SONGS OF WORSHIP

This I Believe (The Creed)

Verse 1

Our Father everlasting
The all creating One
God Almighty
Through Your Holy Spirit
Conceiving Christ the Son
Jesus our Saviour

Chorus 1

I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit
Our God is three in One
I believe in the resurrection
That we will rise again
For I believe in the
Name of Jesus

Verse 2

Our judge and our defender
Suffered and crucified
Forgiveness is in You
Descended into darkness
You rose in glorious life
Forever seated high

Bridge

I believe in You
I believe You rose again
I believe that Jesus Christ is
Lord

Chorus 2

I believe in life eternal
I believe in the virgin birth
I believe in the saints'
communion
And in Your holy Church
I believe in the resurrection
When Jesus comes again
For I believe in the
Name of Jesus

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How Great Is Our God

Verse 1

The splendor of the King; Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice; All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light; And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice; And trembles at His voice

Chorus

How great is our God; Sing with me
How great is our God; And all will see how great
How great is our God

Verse 2

And age to age He stands; And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End; Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one; Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb; The Lion and the Lamb

Bridge

Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God

Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves

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FIGHTER VERSES

Last week's Fighter Verse: October 5, 2025

"Let your eyes look directly forward, and your gaze be straight before you. Ponder the path of your feet; the all your ways will be sure. Do not swerve to the right or to the left; turn your foot away from evil.

— Proverbs 4:25-27

This week's Fighter Verse: October 12, 2025

"... let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God."

— James 1:19-20

SERMON PASSAGE

1 Peter 1:1-2 (ESV)

1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who are elect exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, 2 according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood: May grace and peace be multiplied to you.

SERMON NOTES

“Elect Exiles”

1 Peter 1:1-2 (ESV)

Shannon Brown

Outline:

- I. Elect Exiles in the World.
- II. Elect Exiles Not of the World.
- III. Elect Exiles Sent Into the World.

SERMON NOTES

Discussion Questions:

1. How strong is your belief in the glorious doctrine of election— that God chose you before the foundations of the world to be saved apart from any works of your own? Ephesians 1:3-14, Ephesians 2:4-10
2. How might it be an encouragement to you to reflect on the fact that you are an exile, stranger or alien in this world?
3. How might it change the way you share your faith with others to reflect on your exile status?
4. When it comes to living “In the world but not of the world”, how would you say you are doing? Do you need to move more toward being in the world or more toward being separate from it?

RESPONSE SONG

I Am Not My Own

Verse 1

The one who made the heavens made my heart and soul
Before I drew a breath I was loved and known
I am His creation the Maker's masterpiece
And all that He designs will be done in me

Verse 2

My body is a temple of the Living God
I'll worship in this house that His blood has bought
As I bear His image O may I not profane
The holiness I hold in this earthly frame

Chorus

I belong to the Lord O I am not my own
I belong to the Lord I am not my own
I will honor Him for this I know
I belong to the Lord I am not my own

Verse 3

And if He has redeemed me I am not my own
The measure of my worth is His love alone
He declares my standing and He declares my state
So I will know myself by the name He gave

Verse 4

I am not my own and now my heart is free
O Maker come and make what You will of me
There is nothing broken that You can not repair
So Lord I leave my life in Your loving care

OFFERTORY SONG

A City On A Hill

Verse 1

Blessed are the poor for the Kingdom is yours
Blessed when you mourn there's comfort in His arms
Blessed are the meek with the world at your feet
Blessed when it's righteousness that you seek

Pre-Chorus

It's beautiful
Beautiful like a city on a hill
Lighting up the night
For the glory of the Lord; Rise and shine

Chorus

We will shine; Light of the world we can't hide it
This beautiful light it shines; For all of the world to believe
We can be a city on a hill

Verse 2

Blessed when you're merciful you find grace
Blessed are the pure you'll see the face of God
Blessed are you making peace on earth
Blessed when you follow even when it hurts

Bridge

For the glory of the Lord; Rise and shine

For the glory of the Lord; The glory of the Lord

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HAPPENING TODAY

Time	Event	Venue
9:30am	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> <i>Teams Joshua & Timothy (ages 7-12)</i>	3/F YMCA Room 301 4/F *MC
2:00pm	Filipino Ministry: <i>Bible Study and Fellowship</i>	4/F *MC

UPCOMING EVENTS AND GATHERINGS

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Every Wednesday	10:30am	Women’s Bible Study	4/F *MC
Wednesday, October 15	7:30pm	Adult Education: Bible Study	6/F *MC
Sunday, October 19	9:30am	Youth Ministry: Sunday School	6/F *MC
Friday, October 31	7:30pm	Youth Ministry: Friday Fellowship	4/F *MC

**Ministry Center, Metropole Building*

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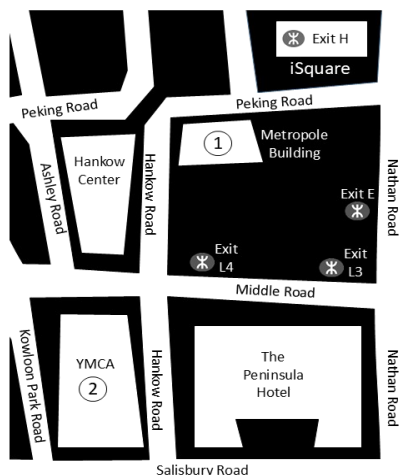
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