



Evangelical Community Church

Gathered on Sunday, December 7, 2025

1 Peter 3:4 (ESV)

"but let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God's sight is very precious."

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 behind the lobby in Room 5, near the restrooms.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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 October 2025)

Offering received - \$3,191,827

Other income received - \$96,402

Expenses incurred - \$4,936,570

(all figures are unaudited)

Last Week's Offering—\$210,730

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Call to Worship — Psalm 145:13-21

Songs of Worship

*O Come O Come Emmanuel
Lord From Sorrows Deep I Call*

Old Testament Reading — Proverbs 31:10-31

Prayer of Confession

Songs of Worship

*O Come All You Unfaithful
Lord I Need You*

Pastoral Prayer

Fighter Verses — 1 Corinthians 15:51-52

Welcome & Dismissal of Children

Sermon Passage — 1 Peter 3:1-7

Sermon

"A Countercultural Marriage"
Pastor Adam McCulloch

Response Song — *I Am Not My Own*

Offertory Prayer — *Trust And Obey*

Benediction — 1 Peter 5:10-11

Silent Reflection Time

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Eve Services

We'd love for you to join us on **December 24th at 5:00PM OR 7:30PM** in the 4th-floor Ministry Center for our Christmas Eve Service! Let's come together to celebrate the true spirit of Christmas. It's a great chance to spend this special time with family, friends, and our wonderful community. We can't wait to see you there!

Monthly Lunch Fellowship and Prayer Meeting— Today!

Our monthly lunch fellowship and prayer meeting is today. Join us for a lunch fellowship at the Silvercord Basement Food Court right after the worship service. The **Prayer Meeting will start at 2:00 pm** on the 4th floor of Metropole MC. We will focus on praying for the needs of individuals within and outside of our church family.

Nomination for Elders

We are now accepting nominations for new elders through Sunday, January 4, 2026. For a more complete description of the qualifications, roles and responsibilities of an elder, please scan the QR code provided.



Recommended nominees will be introduced to the congregation in February before election at the Extraordinary General Meeting in March. Please submit the person's name to the Elders via email which can be found on the back of the bulletin.

Boxing Day Hike

Mark your calendars on **December 26** for a family hike around Victoria Peak. More information in next week's bulletin.

Resources on Marriage

During today's sermon, Pastor Adam mentioned a few resources and organizations that help Christians think Biblically about marriage. Those include **Focus on the Family** (focusonthefamily.com) **Family Life Today** (familylife.com) and **CCEF - The Christian Counseling and Education Foundation** (ccef.org) In particular, CCEF has a podcast episode entitled **"Revitalizing a Stagnant Marriage"**. You can check it out by visiting this link: <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/revitalizing-a-stagnant->

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 145:13-21 (ESV)

- 13 The Lord is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works.
- 14 The Lord upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.
- 15 The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season.
- 16 You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing.
- 17 The Lord is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works.
- 18 The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.
- 19 He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.
- 20 The Lord preserves all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.
- 21 My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord, and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

SONGS OF WORSHIP

O Come O Come Emmanuel

Verse 1

O come O come Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear

Chorus

Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel

Verse 2

O come Thou Dayspring come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadows put to flight

Verse 3

O come Thou Wisdom from on high
And order all things far and nigh
To us the path of knowledge show
And cause us in her ways to go

Verse 4

O come Desire of nations bind
All peoples in one heart and mind
Bid envy strife and quarrels cease
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace

John Mason Neale, Thomas Helmore

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Lord From Sorrows Deep I Call

Verse 1

Lord from sorrows deep I call
When my hope is shaken
Torn and ruined from the fall
Hear my desperation
For so long I've
pled and prayed
God come to my rescue
Even so the thorn remains
Still my heart will praise You

Verse 2

Storms within my troubled soul
Questions without answers
On my faith these billows roll
God be now my shelter
Why are you cast
down my soul
Hope in Him who saves you
When the fires have
all grown cold
Cause this heart to praise You

Chorus

Oh my soul
put your hope in God
My help my rock
I will praise Him
Sing oh sing
through the raging storm
You're still my God
my salvation

Verse 3

Should my life be torn from me
Every worldly pleasure
When all I possess is grief
God be then my treasure
Be my vision in the night
Be my hope and refuge
'Til my faith is turned to sight
Lord my heart will praise You

Matt Boswell, Matt Papa

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Proverbs 31:10-31 (ESV)

- 10 An excellent wife who can find?
She is far more precious than jewels.
- 11 The heart of her husband trusts in her,
and he will have no lack of gain.
- 12 She does him good, and not harm,
all the days of her life.
- 13 She seeks wool and flax,
and works with willing hands.
- 14 She is like the ships of the merchant;
she brings her food from afar.
- 15 She rises while it is yet night
and provides food for her household
and portions for her maidens.
- 16 She considers a field and buys it;
with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard.
- 17 She dresses herself with strength
and makes her arms strong.
- 18 She perceives that her merchandise is profitable.
Her lamp does not go out at night.
- 19 She puts her hands to the distaff,
and her hands hold the spindle.
- 20 She opens her hand to the poor
and reaches out her hands to the needy.
- 21 She is not afraid of snow for her household,
for all her household are clothed in scarlet.
- 22 She makes bed coverings for herself;
her clothing is fine linen and purple.

- 23 Her husband is known in the gates
when he sits among the elders of the land.
- 24 She makes linen garments and sells them;
she delivers sashes to the merchant.
- 25 Strength and dignity are her clothing,
and she laughs at the time to come.
- 26 She opens her mouth with wisdom,
and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.
- 27 She looks well to the ways of her household
and does not eat the bread of idleness.
- 28 Her children rise up and call her blessed;
her husband also, and he praises her:
- 29 "Many women have done excellently,
but you surpass them all."
- 30 Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain,
but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.
- 31 Give her of the fruit of her hands,
and let her works praise her in the gates.

SONGS OF WORSHIP

O Come All You Unfaithful

Verse 1

O come all you unfaithful
Come weak and unstable
Come know you are not alone

Verse 2

O come
barren and waiting ones
Weary of praying
Come see what your
God has done

Chorus

Christ is born
Christ is born
Christ is born for you

Verse 3

O come bitter and broken
Come with fears unspoken
Come taste of His perfect love

Verse 4

O come guilty and hiding ones
There is no need to run
See what your God has done

Bridge

He's the Lamb who was given
slain for our pardon
His promise is peace
for those who believe
He's the Lamb who was given
slain for our pardon
His promise is peace
for those who believe

Verse 5

So come
though you have nothing
Come He is the offering
Come see what your
God has done

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Lord I Need You

Verse 1

Lord I come I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Chorus

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Verse 2

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

Bridge

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay

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FIGHTER VERSES

Last week's Fighter Verse: November 30, 2025

... he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

—1 John 4:4 (ESV)

This week's Fighter Verse: December 7, 2025

Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.

—1 Corinthians 15:51-52 (ESV)

SERMON PASSAGE

1 Peter 3:1-7 (ESV)

1 Likewise, wives, be subject to your own husbands, so that even if some do not obey the word, they may be won without a word by the conduct of their wives, **2** when they see your respectful and pure conduct. **3** Do not let your adorning be external—the braiding of hair and the putting on of gold jewelry, or the clothing you wear— **4** but let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God's sight is very precious. **5** For this is how the holy women who hoped in God used to adorn themselves, by submitting to their own husbands, **6** as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord. And you are her children, if you do good and do not fear anything that is frightening.

7 Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered.

SERMON NOTES

"A Countercultural Marriage"

1 Peter 3:1-7 (ESV)

Pastor Adam McCulloch

Outline:

- I. Wives, be subject to your husbands (3:1-6)
- II. Husbands, understand and honor your wives (3:7)

SERMON NOTES

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

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OFFERTORY SONG

Trust And Obey

Verse 1

When we walk with the Lord
In the light of His Word
What a glory
He sheds on our way
While we do His good will
He abides with us still
And with all who will
trust and obey

Chorus

Trust and obey
For there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus
But to trust and obey

Verse 2

Not a shadow can rise
Not a cloud in the skies
But His smile quickly
drives it away
Not a doubt nor a fear
Not a sigh nor a tear
Can abide while we
trust and obey

Verse 3

Not a burden we bear
Not a sorrow we share

But our toil He doth
richly repay
Not a grief nor a loss
Not a frown nor a cross
But is blessed if we
trust and obey

Verse 4

But we never can prove
The delights of His love
Until all on the altar we lay
For the favor He shows
And the joy He bestows
Are for those who will
trust and obey

Verse 5

Then in fellowship sweet
We will sit at His feet
Or we'll walk by His side
in the way
What He says we will do
Where He sends we will go
Never fear only trust and obey

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HAPPENING TODAY

Time	Event	Venue
9:15am	Adult Sunday School: <i>"Found in the Fight"</i>	4/F *MC
9:30pm	Youth Group: <i>Sunday School</i>	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	Prayer Meeting	4/F *MC

UPCOMING EVENTS AND GATHERINGS

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Every Wednesday	10:30am	Women's Bible Study	4/F *MC
Every Wednesday Night	7:30pm	Adult Education: Bible Study	4/F *MC
December 14	12:30pm	Filipino Ministry: <i>Christmas Fellowship</i>	4/F *MC
December 24	5:00pm & 7:30pm	Christmas Eve Service	4/F *MC

**Ministry Center, Metropole Building*

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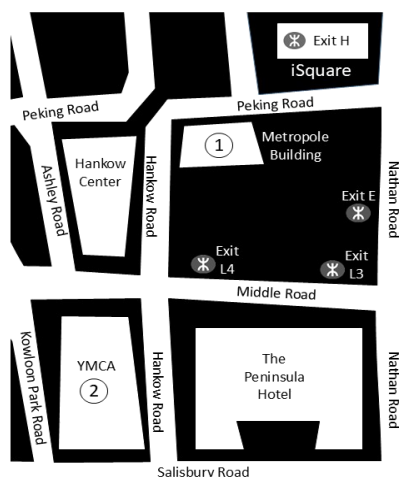
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