



OAKRIDGE

CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

***** God's good plan for you *****

Jeremiah 29:11-13 "For I know the plans I have for you..."

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May 10th, 2026

9:30 a.m.

Oakridge Christian Ministry, a part of the Vancouver Chinese Presbyterian Church, is located on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Musqueam people. They helped feed the Chinese community in BC during a time of historical oppression. We celebrate that "The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it" (Psalm 24:1) and pray for a day when all of God's people are reconciled and live in right relationship with each other and creation.

Welcome to Worship, we are glad to have you worshipping with us!

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lenora Der

You who have done great things, O God, who is like you?

**You who have made me see many troubles and calamities
will revive me again;**

from the depths of the earth you will bring me up again.

You will increase my honor and comfort me once again.

I will also praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, O my God;

I will sing praises to you with the lyre, O Holy One of Israel.

**My lips will shout for joy when I sing praises to you; my soul
also, which you have rescued.**

GATHERING HYMN

“Morning Has Broken”

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Christina Wong

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Aaron Law

REFLECTIONS AND SHARING

O.T. READING

“Genesis 21:1-21”

Jeanette Lee

¹ The Lord dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah as he had promised. ² Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. ³ Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. ⁴ And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. ⁵ Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. ⁶ Now Sarah said, “God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me.” ⁷ And she said, “Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age.” ⁸ The child grew and was weaned, and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. ⁹ But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. ¹⁰ So she said to Abraham, “Cast out this slave woman with her son, for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.”

¹¹ The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son.
¹² But God said to Abraham, “Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. ¹³ As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.” ¹⁴ So Abraham rose early in the morning and took bread and a skin of water and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. ¹⁵ When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. ¹⁶ Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot, for she said, “Do not let me look on the death of the child.” And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. ¹⁷ And God heard the voice of the boy, and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven and said to her, “What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid, for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. ¹⁸ Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.” ¹⁹ Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. She went and filled the skin with water and gave the boy a drink. ²⁰ God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness and became an expert with the bow. ²¹ He lived in the wilderness of Paran, and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

HYMN OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

“She Came to Jesus”

GOSPEL READING

“Mark 7:24-30”

Lela Ling

²⁴ From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, ²⁵ but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. ²⁶ Now the woman was a gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷ He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁸ But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” ²⁹ Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your

daughter.”³⁰ And when she went home, she found the child lying on the bed and the demon gone.

This is the WORD of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

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| SERMON | “Looking for Grace” | Aaron Law |
| HYMN OF RESPONSE | “Praise the One who Breaks the Darkness” | |
| OFFERING | | |
| PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD’S PRAYER | | Mary Yee |
| MOTHER’S DAY BLESSING | | |
| SENDING HYMN | “Great is Thy Faithfulness” | |
| BENEDICTION | | Aaron Law |
| HALLELUJAH MOMENTS | | Agnes Chan |
| ANNOUNCEMENTS | | |

1. Please join our post sermon discussion in the Fireside room.
2. Would you like to “Share Life” with your friends and family through Alpha? Please invite them to join our 2026 Spring Alpha series until **June 27th** on Saturdays at 6-8:30pm. Pamphlets are available at the foyer. The theme for this week is: “Why and how should I read the Bible?” Please join the Alpha Prayer Ministry **every Thursday at 7:30pm** via zoom. Check into www.vancpc.com and click on the designated line to join. Prayer is the powerhouse of Alpha.
3. Sunday Bible study has concluded the Book of Romans. Starting this Sunday **May 10th**, we will begin a new study in the Book of Hebrews. It exhorts believers to continue to grow spiritually into full blessings through Christ’s ministries while it also warns believers of the dire consequences of backsliding in their faith.
4. We are looking forward to your participation at the Annual General Meeting at 2:00 on **May 17th**. The Canaan Fellowship is organizing a luncheon to start at 12:45 and end at 1:45. The lunch is at no cost but it is important for you to register at the Registration tables in the Foyer to ensure there is a lunch reserved for you. After today, please register with

Priscilla (priscilla.ho@vancpc.com or 604 324 4921) who will accept registrations until **May 15th** at 12:00. If you have a food allergy to seafood please indicate this when you register. The Canaan Fellowship is also seeking volunteers from the English ministry to help set up tables and chairs, food pickup, assist in serving the food and cleanup. If you are available to help, please provide your name to Priscilla who will forward to Eliza Lo. She will meet you in the Church Foyer around 12:15.

5. VCPC has registered for the Cohort Program on Intercultural Ministries organized by PCC. 8 seminars, meeting once a month, starting on **Oct 3rd**. If you are interested to participate or have any questions, please contact Elder Victor Ling. NO COST.
6. Flower donations for 2026 (July -Dec) Sunday Services: sign up on the bulletin board or contact Elder Nelson Chan (ve7cok@hotmail.com).
7. “Prayer and Share” invites you to put your prayer requests into the Prayer box so we can pray for you and your family. We meet **every Monday on Zoom at 5 pm**. Consider joining us by logging on to the OCM website!
8. Last but not least, we welcome Rev. John Rajendra to be our PCOC, feel free to reach him at johnr.pcoc@gmail.com

FIRE DRILL

FELLOWSHIP & REFRESHMENT

LAST SUNDAY RECORD:

| ENGLISH ATTENDANCE | CHINESE ATTENDANCE | TOTAL OFFERING |
|--------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| 37 | 52 | \$3,305 |



This Sunday Flower is donated by Edward Wong.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS:

| PARTICIPANTS | TODAY (5/10) | NEXT SUNDAY (5/17) |
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| Worship Leader | Aaron Law | Garland Chow |
| Speaker | Aaron Law | Rev. John Rajendra |
| Reader | Jeanette Lee & Lela Ling | TBC |
| Music | Linda Con, Doris Young, Holly Siu & Alice Wong | TBC |
| Ushers | Jimmy Yee & Patrick Lim* | Doris Young* & Christina Wong |
| Offering Counters | Mary Yee & Sue Yuen | Mary Yee & Sue Yuen |
| Data Entry | Francine Shuen & Alice Wong | Francine Shuen & Alice Wong |
| A/V | Karina Shuen | Karina Shuen |
| KidsKare | Lenora Der & Alice Wong | Lela Ling & Alice Wong |

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:

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| Sunday | 9:30-11:00am | Sunday Worship | In-person |
| | 11:15am- 12:15pm | Sunday School (K-Gr.12) | In-person |
| | 1:00-2:30pm | Canaan Fellowship <i>(2nd week of the month – May 3)</i> | In-person |
| | 7:30pm | Bible Study <i>(Book of Hebrews)</i> | Online <i>(ID: 8605664666)</i> |
| Monday | 5:00-5:30pm | Prayer and Share | Online <i>(ID: 82371382133)</i> |
| Thursday | 8:00-9:00pm | Bible Study <i>(Genesis)</i> | Online <i>(ID: 85052991954)</i> |
| Friday | 9:30-10:30am | Ladies' Bible Study <i>(1st & 3rd week of month – Book of 1 John.)</i> | Online <i>(ID: 83912173328)</i> |

**** Please continue to pray for our leadership in Session and the Presbytery meetings which meets once every month.**

SERMON NOTES

Title – Looking for Grace

Scripture Readings – Genesis 21:1-21 & Mark 7:24-30

Notes/Questions:-

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Mission Committee, Elder Tim Tam at: timtamdmd@gmail.com

**** *Donation cheques made out to Chinese Presbyterian Church* ****

SYNOPSIS OF SESSION MEETING OF MAY 4TH 2026

1. The Presbytery requires the VCPC to conduct a survey of the congregation's preference for either: separating the current VCPC into two new and independent congregations or retaining a single church with a different organization and governance structure, the hybrid alternative.
 - a) Session is developing an information package with a description of these two organization/governance alternatives (CPC Organization/Governance Alternatives) to be distributed to the Congregation at the Annual General Meeting on May 17th. In addition, a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) sheet will be distributed.
 - b) A Congregational meeting is scheduled to be held on May 31st where the congregation is invited to ask questions and provide comments and feedback to Session.
 - c) The CPC Organization/Governance Alternatives and FAQs will be revised as appropriate and distributed to the Congregation with a survey to indicate the preference of the Congregation for each alternative, on June 7th.
 - d) The survey must be returned to the either the drop box in the Church or by mail (or postmarked) by Monday, June 29th.
 - e) The survey results will be tabulated by Session and sent to the Presbytery for their consideration.
2. The Session approved the 2026 budget to be presented at AGM.
3. OCM will be holding a fire drill on May 10 at 10:45 am. This has been previously announced in the English worship.
4. OCM welcomes John Rajendra to serve as the Pastoral Care and Outreach Coordinator (PCOC). He started on May 1st and has already attended Alpha and Sunday worship.
5. The Chinese Language School is holding its graduation ceremonies at the Church on Saturday, June 13th at 9:30 am. The speaker will be Dr. Remy Tam on Growing kids God way. After that we will have light lunch at the church with the parents and teachers and Session members.
6. The Table Tennis Outreach Ministry was approved. The table tennis table will be set up initially on Saturdays from 4:30 to 6:00 pm. In the foyer starting Saturday, May 9th. The purpose is to open the door to our neighbors in the Oakridge area whom and interact with them through this activity.
7. The Canaan Fellowship is organizing the lunch after the Chinese Service and prior to the AGM on May 17th. The Fellowship invites volunteers from the members of the OCM to assist in the setup, serving and cleanup of luncheon.