

POINT GREY INTER-MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

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Young Tae Choi - A Message of Reconciliation

Worship Leader: Chan Yang
Accompanist: June Lee

Song Leader: J. Evan Kreider
Usher: Ed Epp

Last Sunday Aslam Bulbulia and Shagufta Pasta (married couple) presented stories and reflections on what the annual celebration of Eid al-Adha means to the Muslim community. The accounts of faithful obedience by both Abraham and Hagar in the Abrahamic traditions demonstrate a persistent hope which is rooted in action. The Feast of the Sacrifice is an opportunity to consider how the sacred gift of life that we as meat-eaters receive from animals should inform our ethics of eating and living the rest of the year. After the service, a small celebratory meal was shared. [KH]

The message can be heard in your favorite browser at <https://pgimf.org/service/the-sacrifice-2019/>

PGIMF News - Upcoming Services

August 25	Karl Brown	Looking Hopefully Toward the Heavens
September 1	Jodi Spargur	People of the Covenant
September 8	April Yamasaki & Friends	MSC Residents Welcome BBQ
September 15	J. Evan Kreider	TBA

Wider Church

MCC-BC Festival for World Relief On Friday night come for local music and the Live Auction on the Main Stage at 7, followed by a Comedy Show with Cliff Prang. Then on Saturday check out the Children's Auction now at 10 am on the Main Stage. September 13-14 at the TRADEX in Abbotsford.

Clothing donations St. Paul's Hospital clothing depot is in urgent need of donations for Men's Clothing, specifically for long sleeve t-Shirts (no button down dress shirts), long sleeve sweaters, sweat/jogging pants, jeans, cotton pants (no dress pants), men's shoes and men's warm jackets or rain jackets. All gratefully accepted by Evan who will transport them to St. Paul's clothing depot.

Be Okay With Uncomfortable: Ministering to the Aging & Dying. A podcast from BCMB ft. Thaleia Sawatzky & Kendra Gerbrandt. Ministering to the aging and dying in your church is good and important work but it doesn't always need to be the pastor who does it. Everyone can pick up tips from this podcast especially from Kendra, whose perspective as an RN in tertiary palliative care gives her insights into prayer for non-believers and their families. Explore being okay with being uncomfortable; the hidden grief of transitions; how to do a hospital or care home visit – what to do and what not to do, what to say, and questions you can ask; and how to minister to people whose loved ones have dementia. Listen at your convenience at:

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/bcmb-pastor-to-pastor/id1472410564>

Isaiah 59:2

¹See, the Lord's hand is not too short to save, nor his ear too dull to hear.

² Rather, your iniquities have been barriers between you and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you so that he does not hear. [NRSV]

Matthew 10:22

²¹Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; ²²and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. [NRSV]

RECORDING THE SERVICE

Please note that we record the response time after the sermon. You are encouraged to share your thoughts as fully as you feel led with the proviso that no privacy can be guaranteed. The response time will not be posted to the website. You are encouraged to bring forth private issues during the time of sharing and prayer, which will not be recorded.

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*Our fellowship gives thanks for the gift of meeting on the unceded lands of the
Musqueam, Tsleil-Watuth and Squamish peoples*

2 Corinthians 5:11-20

¹¹ Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. ¹²We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. ¹³For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. ¹⁴For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. ¹⁵And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

¹⁶ From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. ²⁰So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. [NRSV]

