



# Parkdale

## Evangelical Free Church

*Passion for God, Compassion for People*

Welcome to the Service!  
January 29, 2023

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*“Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Saviour,  
and my hope is in you all day long.”*

Theme verse for 2023 Psalm 25:5

## Step 4: Resist

### Nehemiah 4:1-14

4 When Sanballat heard that we were rebuilding the wall, he became angry and was greatly incensed. He ridiculed the Jews, <sup>2</sup> and in the presence of his associates and the army of Samaria, he said, “What are those feeble Jews doing? Will they restore their wall? Will they offer sacrifices? Will they finish in a day? Can they bring the stones back to life from those heaps of rubble—burned as they are?”

<sup>3</sup> Tobiah the Ammonite, who was at his side, said, “What they are building—even a fox climbing up on it would break down their wall of stones!”

<sup>4</sup> Hear us, our God, for we are despised. Turn their insults back on their own heads. Give them over as plunder in a land of captivity. <sup>5</sup> Do not cover up their guilt or blot out their sins from your sight, for they have thrown insults in the face of the builders.

<sup>6</sup> So we rebuilt the wall until all of it reached half its height, for the people worked with all their heart.

<sup>7</sup> But when Sanballat, Tobiah, the Arabs, the Ammonites and the people of Ashdod heard that the repairs to Jerusalem’s walls had gone ahead and that the gaps were being closed, they were very angry. <sup>8</sup> They all plotted together to come and fight against Jerusalem and stir up trouble against it. <sup>9</sup> But we prayed to our God and posted a guard day and night to meet this threat.

<sup>10</sup> Meanwhile, the people in Judah said, “The strength of the labourers is giving out, and there is so much rubble that we cannot rebuild the wall.”

<sup>11</sup> Also our enemies said, “Before they know it or see us, we will be right there among them and will kill them and put an end to the work.”

<sup>12</sup> Then the Jews who lived near them came and told us ten times over, “Wherever you turn, they will attack us.”

<sup>13</sup> Therefore I stationed some of the people behind the lowest points of the wall at the exposed places, posting them by families, with their swords, spears and bows. <sup>14</sup> After I looked things over, I stood up and said to the nobles, the officials and the rest of the people, “Don’t be afraid of them. Remember the Lord, who is great and awesome, and fight for your families, your sons and your daughters, your wives and your homes.”

## Weekly at Parkdale

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Saturday	7:30 PM COBS bagging
Sunday	9:30 AM Prayer Time 10:00 AM Worship (in person & online)
Friday	6:30 PM Youth Group, Grades 6-12

## Small Groups

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Monday	12:00 Noon Women's Bible Study; Quilting/Crafts - 2nd Mon. of the month 10 AM
Tuesday	11:30 AM Men's Coffee Time 7:00 PM Freedom Session (for men and women)
Wednesday	9:30 AM Men's Book Study (Zoom, Bi-Weekly)

## Connecting and Contributing

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Today: Soup & buns potluck downstairs, after the service

Email us at [parkdaleonline@gmail.com](mailto:parkdaleonline@gmail.com) for opportunities to serve in:

- Music
- Sunday School
- Membership
- Baptism
- Hospitality

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

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January 30: Tim S.

February 2: Evan R.

## Upcoming Events

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- **Annual General Meeting**, Sunday, February 26, after the service

**Nathan K.** from Winsome Games is having a sports day for kids this spring break. He will lead activities for the **youth group on Fri., March 24, 5 pm - 8 pm** and invite the youth to help lead a program for the **kids Sat., March 25, 11 am - 3 pm** at Parkdale. He will also speak at the service on **Sun., March 26**. For more information, see the posters in the foyer or visit: [www.winsomegames.net/23-games/game-day-at-parkdale-march-25](http://www.winsomegames.net/23-games/game-day-at-parkdale-march-25)

## Schedules

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### Sunday School

This Week: Jim R.

Next Week: Ted C.

### Cleaning

February 4: John M.

February 11: Mosaic

### COBS

February 4: Webb

February 11: Stewart

## Remember to Pray for...

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- ✠ Our Church Board: Michelle Y. (Treasurer)
- ✠ Ministry/Partner: Victoria Evangelical Pastors Fellowship
- ✠ Missionaries: Nathan K., Winsome Games
- ✠ Our World and Community: EFCC Military Chaplains: Peter H. and Chris W. in Esquimalt, BC and Shiya J. in Borden, ON
- ✠ Lower Pacific District Church of the Week: White Rock Community Church

### White Rock Community Church

#### Prayer For:

- A continued passion to fulfill their MISSION of “Helping people reach their God-given potential in Jesus Christ.”
- The Alpha following-up study going on this winter



#### Prayer Need?

- Feel free to talk to Pastor Tim or someone after the service, or email our prayer chain at [parkdaleonline@gmail.com](mailto:parkdaleonline@gmail.com)



#### Need More Information?

- Check out [www.parkdalechurch.ca](http://www.parkdalechurch.ca) for sermon recordings, bulletins, online giving, upcoming dates, and more
- In our foyer you can find information on the missionaries, our denomination (EFCC), and updates from our church library

**COBS bread and other food items are in the foyer. Please help yourself!**