

Course B *The Book of Ezekiel and Congregational Renewal* [Online]

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Description

Can the total obedience of a mere mortal—a faithful servant of God— change the course of history, transform the community of faith, and guide it from death to resurrection? The course explores the Book of Ezekiel, with emphasis placed on the theological messages of the prophet, and the task of interpreting them in the context of congregational renewal.

Outline

Week 1: Introduction to the Book of Ezekiel, and encountering the vision of the glory of God.

Week 2: Eat this Scroll. A critical look at the radical obedience of Ezekiel, as the prophet of the Lord.

Week 3: Bloody Jerusalem. A city in turmoil, judged and ultimately punished by the jealous and zealous God.

Week 4: New Heart and New Spirit. The task of renewing the community of faith must first come from within.

Week 5: Can these bones live? *“It is the prophetic task, in a time of unravelling hopes, to declare the unimaginable, to assert the rationality of the unthinkable, to call the people to new hope, grounded not on the past but on sheer faith that God is about to do the impossible.”*

Bio

The Rev. Paul Wu is an ordained minister of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, who is currently serving the congregation of St. Giles since 2021. He is deeply committed to congregational ministry and passionate about engaging young people to explore the Christian faith. He has a fondness for the Hebrew Scripture, particularly the prophetic literature.