

E.F.C.C.A. English Youth

Sunday 26 October 2025, 9.30 A.M.

Scripture

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(I Peter 5.8–9)

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(Luke 2.34–35)

‘If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you.’

(John 15.19)

Order of Service

Psalm 109.26–27

Worship

Apostle’s Creed

Scripture: I Peter 5.8–9; Luke 2.34–35; John 15.19

Sermon: You might not be interested in the Culture Wars, but the Culture Wars are interested in you!

Response Song

Offering

Doxology and Benediction



Roster	Today	2 November
Welcomer	Kevin	Laura
Psalm	Cici (109.26–27)	Wilson (109.30–31)
Worship Leader	Cici	Wilson
Worship Team	Cathy & Leo	
Musician	Bandon (g), Emily Yang (d)	Nathan (p), Bandon (g), Cecilia (d)
Scripture	Jeremy	Amber
Speaker	Michael Dong	Pastor Cindy
Offering Prayer	Nathan	Anna
Screen & Sound	Emily Yang	Angela Liu

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2. Christ Is the Sign of Contradiction – The world's hostility toward truth and righteousness is nothing new; Jesus Himself was opposed, and His followers will be too.
3. We resist not through anger or fear, but standing firm in faithful witness, courage, and love — trusting that Christ has already overcome the world.

Discussion Questions:

1. Why do so many people believe the 'Culture Wars' are irrelevant to New Zealand—and how might that attitude actually endanger our faith?
2. In what ways can we live as Christ's 'signs of contradiction' without becoming bitter or combative?
3. What practical steps can we take—in our homes, schools, and churches—to resist worldly ideologies and remain firm in our faith?

Notices

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3. Please prepare yourselves to receive Holy Communion next week, especially by taking the initiative to become friends again with people who might have offended you, or whom you might have offended.

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