

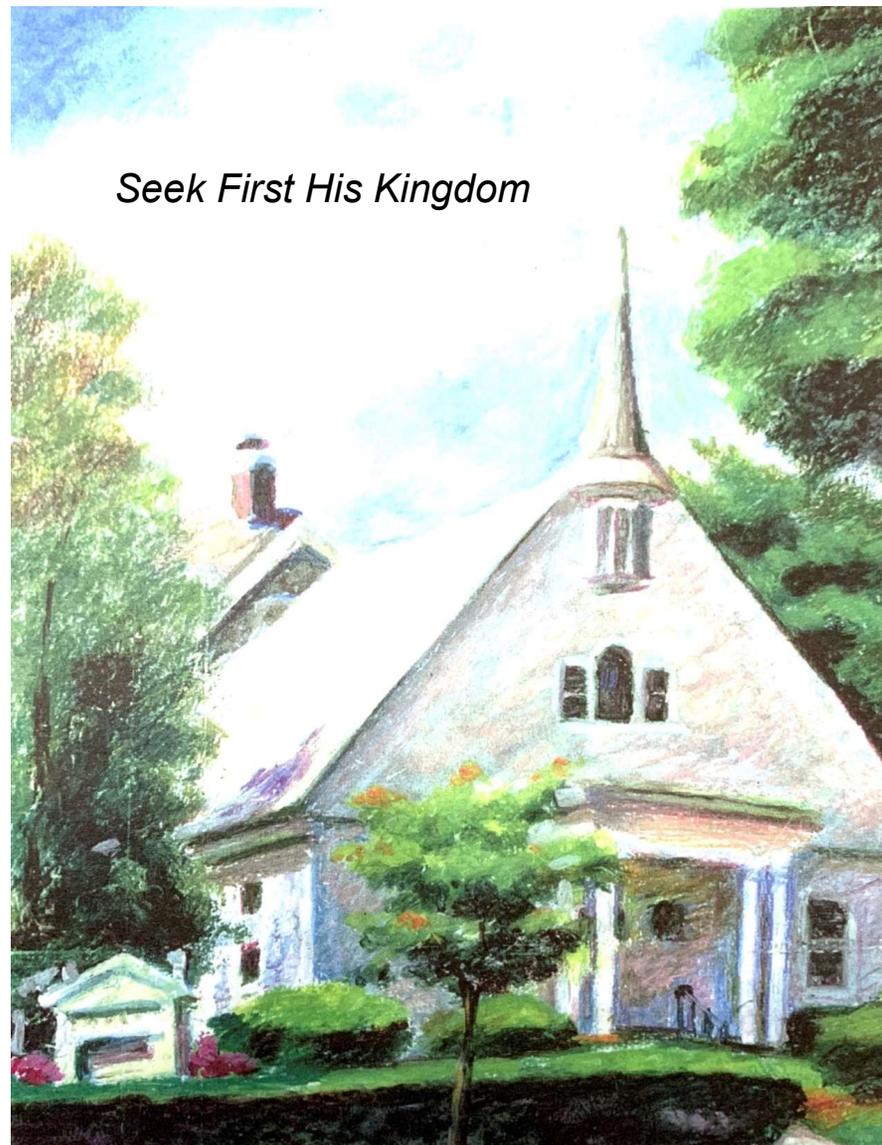
## Prayer Items

1. Please continue to pray for the worldwide effects of COVID-19. Pray for God's mercy, healing and comfort. Please pray for people affected by the outbreak of the coronavirus, especially for medical workers and essential personnel, for those who face new financial challenges. Pray for successful containment and treatment, as well as for wisdom and discernment for churches like ours and other ministries. Pray especially that God's people will rise to the occasion, to be salt and light, to demonstrate the peace, love and mercy of the Kingdom, and share the good news about Christ.
2. Please pray for our church and our leaders as we navigate our responses to the coronavirus. We'll need God's wisdom and grace as we learn how to better connect online—and as we continue caring for and connecting with our CACW community and reaching out in the love of Christ to others.
3. Please pray for our pastors and leaders as they work to support and strengthen our small group ("life group") ministry—especially at this time when we're not able to gather physically. Pray also, please, for leaders and the groups they lead.
4. Please pray for the very important and special initiative, Dwell 40 Days with Jesus, to personally experience the presence of God. Spread the news, encourage people to follow and share what you receive.
5. Pray for the families of our afterschool kids—and the new challenges and needs they face in light of COVID-19. (Pray also for our church's efforts to partner with Ridgeway Church's food bank, in order to provide food to these families.)
6. Pray for members of the CACW family who, while struggling with various physical and emotional challenges, may find it more challenging to get the attention, help and treatment they need in light of the pandemic.
7. Please pray for CACW members who are currently between jobs. May the peace of God guard their minds and hearts.
8. Please continue to pray for the UConn ministry. Pray especially for the students who have recently come to faith in Christ.
9. Please pray for all the various missionaries we support, including Pastor Achara and her work with the Thai School in Khaolak, Pastor Rebecca Mao and COCM in England/Europe, Dann and Tammy Johnson with Envision in Atlanta, and Bob and Molly and their family.

### Today's Scripture Reading:

### Acts 1:3-8 ESV

<sup>3</sup> He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.<sup>4</sup> And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me;<sup>5</sup> for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." The Ascension<sup>6</sup> So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?"<sup>7</sup> He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority.<sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."



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English Worship

11:30 AM

# Chinese Alliance Church of Westchester English Worship Service

May 17th, 2020, 11:30 a.m

Psalm 31:19, 23-24

<sup>19</sup> How abundant are the good things that you have stored up for those who fear you, that you bestow in the sight of all, on those who take refuge in you.<sup>23</sup> Love the Lord, all his faithful people! The Lord preserves those who are true to him, but the proud he pays back in full.<sup>24</sup> Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord.

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## ➤ GATHERING TOGETHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

- ❖ Call to Worship (Psalm 31:19, 23-24)
- ❖ Pastoral Prayer
- ❖ Praise and Worship in Song

## ➤ HEARING AND CELEBRATING GOD'S WORD

- ❖ Message - **Jesus' MasterClass** (Pastor Alan)
- ❖ Scripture Reading (Acts 1:3-8)

## ➤ RESPONDING WITH THANKSGIVING

- ❖ Song of Response
- ❖ Community Life
- ❖ Prayer for Tithes and Offerings

## ➤ BEING SENT TO LOVE AND SERVE

- ❖ Benediction

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## Theme verse for May, 2020

Mark 4:14, 20

The farmer sows the word. Others, like seed sown on good soil, hear the word, accept it, and produce a crop—some thirty, some sixty, some a hundred times what was sown.”

## Announcements

1. We welcome everyone who worships God with us online this morning. May peace be with you and your family.
2. Please participate in our special devotional initiative: "Dwell (Forty Days of Dwelling with Jesus." Let's all seek God's face a few minutes a day! You can access the daily "Dwell" devotions at [www.cacw.org/dwell](http://www.cacw.org/dwell)
3. April's offering income was \$26K and expense was \$19K, giving a surplus of \$7K, but the church still has a YTD deficit of \$13K. Separately, the church received the government's Paycheck Protection Program loan in May, which is not considered as an income to the church yet. Church's overall financial is healthy. Please pray for wisdom to use this PPP loan.
4. The Board approved the nomination of Brother Shyhyann Lee as Chinese pastoral candidate. We praise the Lord for His provision and we are also grateful for the work of PSC. We are working on the "Candidate Weekend" event to introduce Brother Lee to the congregation. Please pray for Godly wisdom as we try to navigate the process during the outbreak.
5. CACW has established a fund for COVID-19 Relief efforts ( i.e. food pantry, PPE donation, etc.). If you are moved by God and would like to help financially, you can designate your offering to "COVID19 Fund". May God bless your generosity.
6. Up to now our church has provided 2500 masks to healthcare workers, missionaries, community and church congregation. The latest was 500 masks to Kevin Liu and his church ( CCBC) in Chinatown. Anyone who need masks please contact Brother Hong or any board member. Our partnership with Ridgeway church's food pantry ministry is still on going. Please continue to pray for our faithful volunteers and their health.
7. During the home staying period we especially need the comfort of God's words and answers to our questions about our belief. Brethren JJ Jeng, Shyhyann Lee and Stephen Li will offer special sessions to address such needs. Brother Lee will lead a Psalm Reading session at 12:00-1:00 pm every Tuesday, and brethren JJ and Stephen will hold an open forum to discuss questions about our Christian Belief at a later date. If you have questions about your Christian belief please submit them to brother Hong Guo at [guo\\_hong@hotmail.com](mailto:guo_hong@hotmail.com). Please also let brother Hong know if you would like to join the Psalm reading class.
8. Our Wednesday night Church-wide prayer meeting is now 'virtual.' You can easily join with others for prayer from your home. Please contact Pastor Alan ([pastoralan@cacw.org](mailto:pastoralan@cacw.org)) r.e. call in information or prayer requests.
9. Philip Su will share the Word of God in the Chinese service next Sunday, May 24. Pastor Alan will preach in the English service.

## Fellowship & Sunday School

**English Adult Sunday School** is meeting online every Sun 10:15-11:15am. Contact: Te Chan ([Teshun@gmail.com](mailto:Teshun@gmail.com))

**English Bible Study Fellowship** has begun studying the book of Matthew using Zoom online meeting. Every Friday from 7:45-9:30pm. Contact: [JimAnderson2357@yahoo.com](mailto:JimAnderson2357@yahoo.com)

**Saturday Youth Fellowship:** Junior & Senior High - Every Saturday from 7:00-9:30 pm using Zoom online meeting; contact [PastorPablo@cacw.org](mailto:PastorPablo@cacw.org)