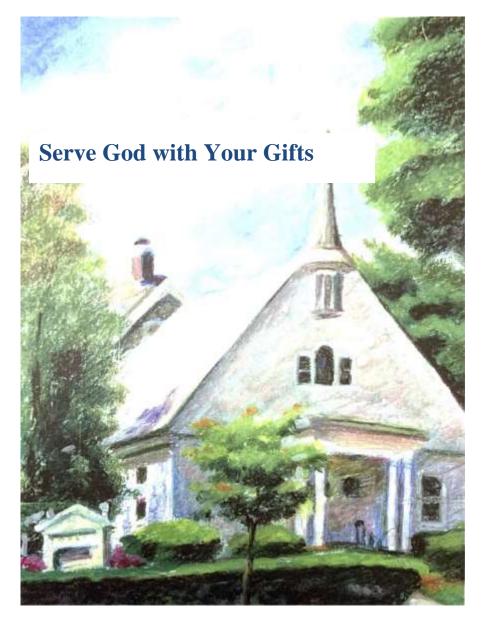
### **Prayer Items**

- 1. We thank God for the many people who have pitched in to help clean and restore our church facility after the flooding in connection with Tropical Storm Ida. Please pray for the continued work involved in getting our church building back in shape.
- 2. We continue to praise God for the recent, very successful Youth Short Term Mission trip to Atlanta. Pray both that God will grow much fruit from their efforts, and also that God will continue to encourage, shape and form the hearts of those who participated. Pray also that as they report back to us all of what they experienced, we also will be encouraged and motivated toward the work of the gospel of Jesus.
- 3. We praise God for Pastor Lee's steady recovery. Please continue to pray for stable blood pressure and that he will continue to recover and regain his strength. Pray also for Shimu Joyce as she comes alongside Pastor Lee in his recovery.
- 4. Please continue praying for Board coworkers and their families, for wisdom, strength, confidence and love to serve Him courageously in the midst of the pandemic. Pray also for the unity and support of their families.
- Please pray for all of our church's Life Groups, Bible Studies and ministries. Pray for wisdom, strength and creativity as we begin this New Year, still affected by the pandemic.
- 6. Please pray for the Care Ministry of our church! During the 2021 epidemic, there are many opportunities for brothers and sisters to show more care for newcomers and also for those who have not been regularly joining in fellowship. Pray that we'll grow in care for one another, be inspired to love, and that we'll encourage one another toward living out the life of Christ.
- 7. Please continue to pray for the UConn ministry. Pray especially for Larry and Shellie Liu as they step up to lead this ministry, and for all who serve. Join us in asking God for his blessing so that more students will come to follow Jesus. Pray also for the various impacts the pandemic might have on this ministry.
- Please pray for those who are currently looking for jobs and those who are feeling the pressure of financial challenges. Pray that these brothers and sisters will come before God to seek His comfort and wisdom.
- Please pray for all the various missionaries and missions endeavors we support, including the UConn outreach, 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.
- 10. Please pray for Pastor Achara and her work with the Khaolak Christian School for children. Pastor Achara has just travelled back to Thailand; please pray for health, safety, strength, and God's favor on her ministry there.
- 11. Please pray for Sister Fellowship's Book Reading session so that it will be up to God's will and pleasing to Him. Also pray that Sister Fellowship will be pleasing in Lord's heart, and blessed by the Spirit so that sisters will seek and grow and to love Lord and love each other more deeply.

### **Today's Scripture Reading:**

John 14:25-27 ESV

<sup>25</sup> "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.<sup>27</sup>Peace I leave with you;my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you.Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.





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English Worship

11:30 AM

## Chinese Alliance Church of Westchester English Worship Service

September 19th, 2021, 11:30 a.m

Psalm 95:1-2

<sup>1</sup> Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. <sup>2</sup> Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

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#### > GATHERING TOGETHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

- Call to Worship (Psalm 95:1-2)
- Praise and Worship in Song
- Pastoral Prayer
- Greeting One Another

### > HEARING AND CELEBRATING GOD'S WORD

- Message Peace! (Pastor Alan)
- Scripture Reading (John 14:25-27)

#### RESPONDING WITH THANKSGIVING

- Song of Response
- Prayer for Tithes and Offerings

#### > BEING SENT TO LOVE AND SERVE

- Community Life
- Benediction

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### Theme verse for September, 2021

1 Peter 2:9

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

#### **Announcements**

- 1. We welcome everyone to worship God with us this morning. May peace be with you and your family. We also thank Pastor Jim for returning to preach at the Chinese service today! May God bless him & his family ceaselessly!
- 2. After further reflection, research, discussion and prayer, we have revised our COVID policy. Everyone, regardless of vaccination status, is welcome to attend our Sunday services in person. We have also raised our attendance cap to 50%. Our other protocols remain in place, and pre-registration is still required. We will continue to livestream all services. Beyond that, we simply encourage everyone to make wise choices based on their health and vaccination status. Please pray with us as we seek to welcome more and more people to worship together in God's presence.
- 3. We are SO thankful to God to see our church community come together with willing hands and hearts. Many people have come to CACW in person to roll up their sleeves and mop, clean, sort, move, wipe down, rinse, carry... What a great picture of the church the way God sees it--functioning together as "one body" (Romans 12:5). There were old-time CACW folks and brand new ones...long time acquaintances and folks from other churches who know our community only through our online Bible studies... Seniors and Youth Group members and kids... even eight international students from UConn, just newly-arrived in the States. Really a beautiful and humbling thing to see!
- 4. As you may be aware, our church suffered considerable water damage from the remnants of hurricane Ida on Sept 1. The basements of both the sanctuary and the parsonage were flooded. All the equipment in the parsonage basement was damaged and has been replaced. We are planning for more repair and additional work to improve the basement. So far, the equipment replacement has cost us \$14,000, and we expect to incur additional \$20,000 upwards to repair the basements. We do not have flood insurance. Our year-to-date giving is currently \$201 thousand (\$54 thousand below budget). We do have a \$326 thousand reserve of general fund in the bank, but it would be prudent not to draw too much upon this because it is our emergency fund. We are asking church members to contribute financially to this repair work. If you would like to give, please designate your contribution to "Building Maintenance".
- Career Transition Support Group: A forum for prayer, resource sharing, and skill
  development for church members and friends who are actively or intersted in
  looking for jobs. Please contact brother Leslie (shihleslie@gmail.com) for details.

# Church Prayer, Fellowship & Sunday School

**Weekly church prayer:** every Wed at 8pm via Zoom. Contact <a href="mailto:pastoralan@cacw.org">pastoralan@cacw.org</a> or <a href="mailto:pastoralan@cacw.org">pastorpablo@cacw.org</a> for details.

**English Adult Sunday School** has started a study on the books of 1, 2, 3 John every Sun 10:00am via Zoom & in person. All are welcomed! Contact: Jane Chan (janewc@gmail.com)

**English Bible Study Fellowship** is studying the book of **Revelation** via Zoom every Fri at 7:45pm. Contact: cacwbiblestudy@yahoo.com

**Saturday Youth Fellowship:** Junior & Senior High - Every Sat at 5pm. Contact: Pastor Pablo (pastorpablo@cacw.org)