

Prayer Items

1. Please continue to pray for the Nominating Committee as it seeks out the right candidates for open positions on the 2022 Governing Board.
2. Please pray for the families who suffered losses due to the tornado in the Midwest last Friday. Ask God to comfort their hearts, prepare a place for them to stay, and rebuild their future homes. Pray for God to give them the strength and may they hear the Gospel and get the salvation of their souls!
3. Please pray for our church's recovery from flood damage in the wake of Tropical Storm Ida. We praise God for the many people who have pitched in to help. Pray for God's grace and provision, especially financial support as the remaining cleanup is performed and various items and pieces of equipment are replaced.
4. Please pray for those in our Youth Group who are just entering college, that God will bless, protect and encourage them in every way, and provide good Christian fellowship for them. Pray, as well, for all students and teachers among us who are beginning the new school year.
5. Please pray especially for Pastor Achara's Khaolak Christian School project in Thailand. Pray that God will help the school quickly work through governmental bureaucratic obstacles in time to open soon.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. 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.
9. 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.
10. Please continue to pray for the UConn ministry. May God bless the new students in school and in belief, move more co-workers to serve together. Pray for the job search of those student co-workers.
11. 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.
12. 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.



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English Worship

11:30 AM

Chinese Alliance Church of Westchester

English Worship Service

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

Galatians 4:4-5

⁴ But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law,⁵ to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship.⁶

➤ GATHERING TOGETHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

- ❖ Call to Worship (Galatians 4:4-5; Isaiah 9:6-7; John 1:14)
- ❖ Praise and Worship in Song (The Chin Family)
- ❖ Pastoral Prayer
- ❖ Scripture Reading: Luke:2:7-14
- ❖ Youth: Heavenly Hosts

➤ HEARING AND CELEBRATING GOD'S WORD

- ❖ Scripture Reading (John 1:4-5)
- ❖ Message - **How Bright the Light?** (Pastor Alan)
(*John 1:1-18*)

➤ RESPONDING WITH THANKSGIVING

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

➤ BEING SENT TO LOVE AND SERVE

- ❖ Community Life
- ❖ Benediction

Theme verse for December, 2021

1 Peter 4:10

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

Announcements

1. We welcome you to our Christmas Sunday service. It is our delight to celebrate with you Immanuel--God with us!
2. We'd have our Christmas Eve service on Friday at 7:30pm. We'd love to have you join us at the sanctuary if you're able.
3. We continue to be concerned and praying for your health, and the health of everyone who attends our services. If you should discover that you are COVID positive within 2 weeks of having attended any of our church gatherings, we ask you to please inform one of our pastors or Board members immediately. (We are glad to keep your name confidential, but want to take appropriate measures on our end.) We ask that anyone who was informed that they might be exposed to anyone who tested positive to monitor their symptoms and inform the Pastors before attending the service. Please stay home if you show the slightest of symptoms. As always, please remember to wear a mask in common areas and practice social distancing when possible. Thank you!
4. During this Christmas time, we would like to show our appreciation to the pastoral staff. If you are moved and would like to contribute, please designate "pastoral appreciation" in the memo line of your check or on the offering envelope. The deadline for contribution is 12/31/2021.
5. We have received \$38,670 insurance payment, which is about 90% of the loss due to the flood. If you contributed to the flood damage repair in the last few months, we would like to offer you the return of the contribution. You may request a refund, re-designate the contribution to other purposes or keep the contribution for the remaining repair. We encourage you to consider keeping the contribution for the remaining repair as we are upgrading the basement floor, buying new furniture and doing other upgrades. If you would like to request a refund or re-designate the contribution, please contact Gavin Lam before year end. If you would like to keep the contribution for the remaining repair, you don't have to do anything.
6. Our church financial statements are now posted in the copy room (on the bulletin board by the copier). Church members are invited to review them there.
7. Since the church's renovation work is still in progress, please do not go to the kitchen, Fellowship Hall or any of the classrooms downstairs in the church until further notice. Thank you for your patience and understanding.
8. Thank you for your prayers for our Nominating Committee and for CACW's upcoming election process. Because of the unusual circumstances we have been faced with this year, our election timeline will be a little different. Our annual Members Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 23, 2022. The Board coworker positions coming open in 2022 are: Building Services, Christian Education, Secretary, and Worship.
9. The Friday Night English Bible Study (EBS) has begun studying the Book of Hebrews section by section. Through this study, we will understand the sufficiency and superiority of Christ. Everyone is welcome. EBS meets via Zoom at 7:45 on Friday evening. For more information, please contact cacwbiblestudy@gmail.com.
10. Every Wed at 8pm, we gather together (via Zoom) to seek God's face through praise and prayers. We'd love to have you join us. Pls contact pastoralan@cacw.org or pastorpablo@cacw.org for Zoom details.