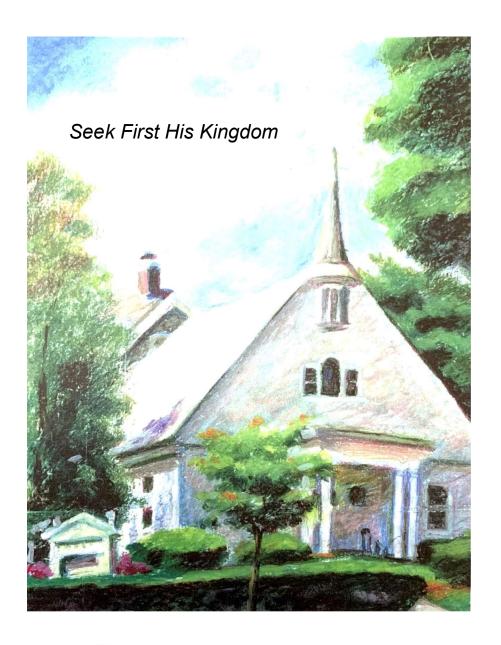
## **Prayer Items**

- 1. Please continue to pray for God's mercy throughout the world in connection with COVID-19 and its far-reaching effects and pray for our church and its leaders at this strange time. Pray that we will grow in our ability to stay connected even while we are still physically distanced. Please pray also for God's special wisdom and grace as we begin to envision what it might look like for us to safely begin to assemble together physically again.
- Praise God for the continued hard work of the Pastoral Search Committee (Hong Guo, Jonathan Lai, Peter Khoo, Peggy Chen, Michael Chen). Please pray especially for the upcoming "candidating" process for Brother Shyhyann Lee -God's blessing on Brother Lee and his family, on our church, and God's gift of wisdom and discernment to all of us.
- Praise God for the brothers and sisters who have been using our online "Dwell" resource to spend time in God's presence. Pray for wisdom as we consider the possibility of continuing to update and maintain this resource for future use.
- 4. Let's please be praying earnestly for front-line workers (medical and otherwise) both those who are part of our church family, and others. Pray for protection, strength, energy, comfort and a sure sense of God's presence and care.
- 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 1:6-12 ESV

<sup>6</sup> So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority.8 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."9 And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. 10 And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, 11 and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." Matthias Chosen to Replace Judas<sup>12</sup> Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away.





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# Chinese Alliance Church of Westchester English Worship Service

May 24th, 2020, 11:30 a.m

Psalm 19:1,7,14

<sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.<sup>7</sup> The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple.<sup>14</sup> May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

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

- Call to Worship (Psalm 19:1,7,14)
- Pastoral Prayer
- Praise and Worship in Song

#### HEARING AND CELEBRATING GOD'S WORD

- Message Receiving the Kingdom (Pastor Alan)
- Scripture Reading (Acts 1:6-12)

### > RESPONDING WITH THANKSGIVING

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

#### > BEING SENT TO LOVE AND SERVE

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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. Our dear sister Sharon Yen went to the Lord peacefully and gracefully on Friday night. Due to Cov-19, the funeral will be a small family gathering. A memorial service will be held at a later date to celebrate Sharon's life. In lieu of flowers, brother Charles request that any donation be made to church's Great Commission Fund (GCF) in honor of Sharon. Please continue to pray for the Wang family.
- 3. Our online "Dwell" resource for spending daily time with God (www.cacw.org/dwell) will continue to be available for an additional week. If you'd like the resource to be available and updated after that, please make sure to follow the simple instructions on the website to give us feedback. God bless you as you spend time dwelling in His presence!
- 4. 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 parnership with Ridgeway church's food pantry ministry is still on going. Please continue to pray for our faithful volunteers and their health.
- 5. 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 still healthy. Please pray for wisdom to use this PPP loan.
- 6. Last week the Board announced the nomination of Brother Shyhyann Lee as Chinese pastoral candidate. An announcement package, including the "Meet" and "Greet" schedule, Brother Lee's testamony, and PSC vetting process, has been sent to church members. The "Meet" and "Greet" event schedule is published on church website. We encourage all members, friends and families to participate and get to know the candidate and his wife, Joyce. Please continue to pray for Godly wisdom as we try to navigate the process during the outbreak and move toward a congregational vote.
- 7. Church's COV-19 Relief Fund has collected \$5,687 so far. Thank you for your generacity. We plan to utilize the fund to assist families in need and purchase PPEs. May God bless your generosity.
- 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) r.e. call in information or prayer requests.
- 9. Brother Shyh-Yann Lee will share the Word of God in the Chinese service next Sunday, May 31. 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)

**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

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