

## Prayer Items

1. Please pray for peaceful resolution of the conflict involving Iran, Israel and the United States. Continue to pray for the many people affected by the war(s) in the Middle East, as well as between Russia and Ukraine. Pray for God's mercy on those who suffer so intensely from war.
2. Pray for the many people throughout the world suffering the effects of natural disasters.
3. Please pray for our the Middle East short-term missions trip (September 21-October 3rd) in which three members of our church are participating: Joyce Shimu, Pastor Lee, and Sister Pei-Ling. The team will bring medical services and the gospel to those who are suffering. May God lead the team to be in step with the Spirit and partner with the Lord in bringing many people to Christ.
4. Please pray for those among us who have recently undergone--or will soon undergo--surgery. Pray for God's help, healing, strength, blessing, peace and joy!
5. Please pray for our Pastoral Search Committee and Governing Board as they prayerfully partner to consider a possible candidate for Associate Pastor (who will work primarily with the Youth). Pray for discernment and wisdom.
6. Pray for the ongoing process of finding the right candidates for next year's Board. Pray that God will give discernment and wisdom to both the Governing Board and the Nominating Committee, along with our community, as voting members have an opportunity to suggest candidates. May God guide us so that we can faithfully walk with him in the coming year!
7. Please pray for college students beginning a new semester -- and especially for Freshmen facing the challenge of adjusting to so many significant life changes. God bless them and help them and keep them in Christ!
8. Please pray for our Governing Board and others as we attempt to finalize edits on our church's Bylaws. (The bylaws we completed some years need revising before they are fully acceptable to our denomination). Pray for wisdom and energy so that we can finally complete this important task!
9. Please pray for those in the church who are still seekers, praying that the Lord open their hearts so that they may accept Jesus Christ as their Savior and experience fullness of life in him.
10. Please pray for sons and daughters of families among us who are struggling in various ways. Pray for God's help, strength, and wisdom--both for these precious young people and also for their parents as they discern how best to come alongside their children.
11. Please pray that brothers and sisters will invite new friends to church to attend Sunday worship and bring others to hear the gospel so that they might come to know the truth, and experience rebirth and salvation. Please pray for the salvation of new friends!
12. Please pray for the church's fellowships. Some groups, such as the Sisters' Fellowship and Rock Fellowship, have daily Bible reading. Through reading the Bible together, may brothers and sisters be led to draw closer to God and become more involved in caring ministries. Also, pray for the evangelism efforts of the groups, asking God to bring new friends to each group. During this joyful season, may we invite more people to join in fellowship activities.
13. Please pray that brothers and sisters will have the desire to study God's Word, and that they will not only have regular devotional time, but also intimate time with God. Pray also that the Lord would equip and encourage them, so that they might use their gifts to serve God, to benefit others and to glorify our King!

14. Please pray for each fellowship group so that new people can join. Pray also for the group leaders of the fellowship, asking God to give them wisdom and strength to lead these groups and make them a source of love, fellowship and spreading the gospel. The fellowship also invites many gospel friends to participate through evangelistic meetings.
15. Please pray for all the various missionaries and missions endeavors we support, including the UConn outreach, Pastor Rebecca Mao and COCM in England/Europe, and Pastor Ed Stuart and his work with SALT (Support and Leadership Training). Please pray especially for Pastor Achara -- not only for her ministry with the Pakping Church and Christian School in Khaolak, Thailand -- but also for her health.

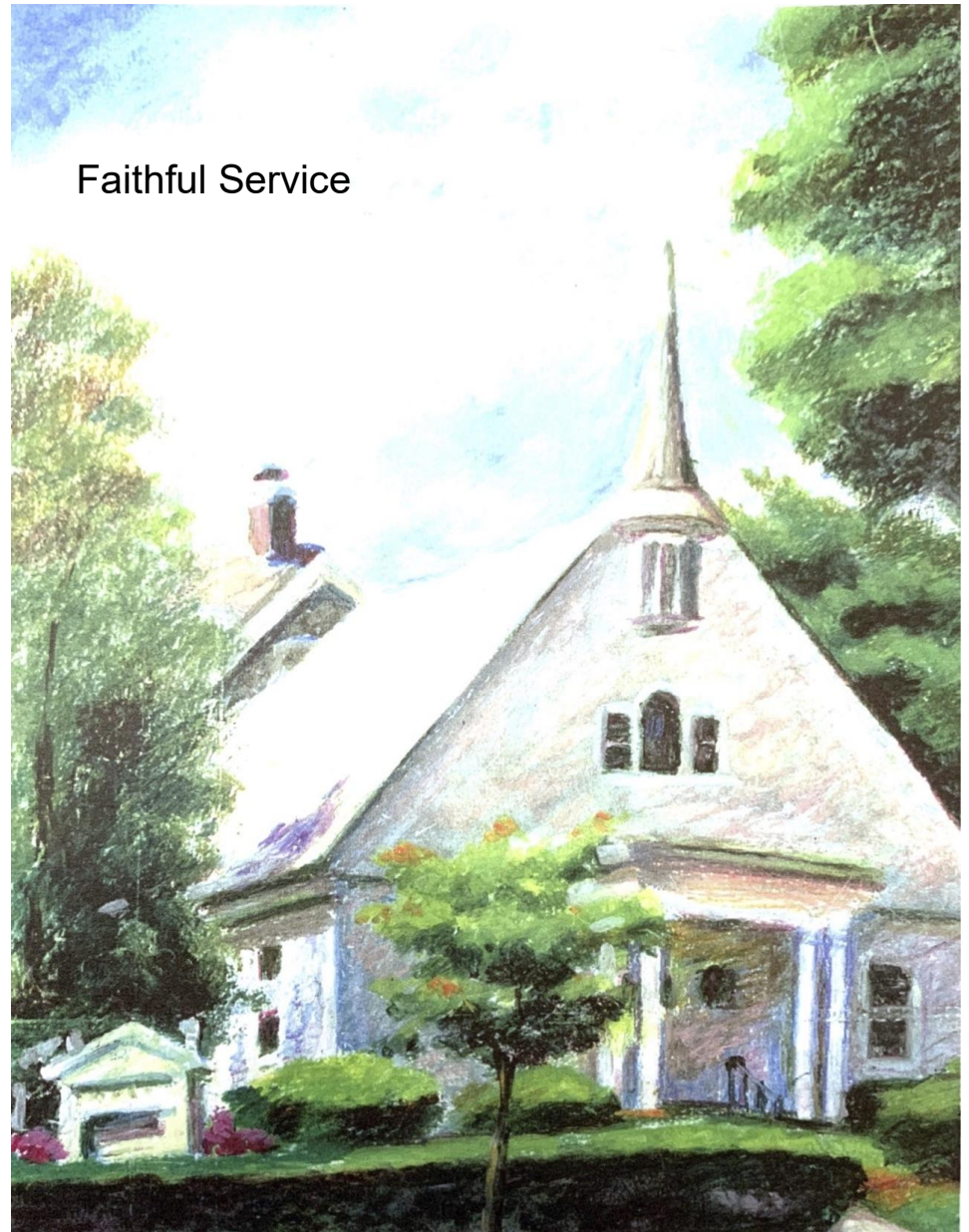
## Today's Scripture Reading:

**Luke 7:36-50 ESV**

<sup>7</sup> But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a youth'; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak.

<sup>7</sup> 耶和華對我說：你不要說我是年幼的，因為我差遣你到誰那裡去，你都要去；我吩咐你說甚麼話，你都要說。

Faithful Service



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English Worship

11:30 AM

# Chinese Alliance Church of Westchester

## English Worship Service

September 27th, 2026, 11:30 a.m

Psalm 96:1-4, 10

<sup>1</sup> Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.<sup>2</sup> Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.<sup>3</sup> Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.<sup>4</sup> For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.<sup>10</sup> Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns." The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity.

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### ➤ GATHERING TOGETHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

- ❖ Call to Worship (Psalm 96:1-4, 10)
- ❖ Praise and Worship in Song
- ❖ Pastoral Prayer
- ❖ Greeting One Another

### ➤ HEARING AND CELEBRATING GOD'S WORD

- ❖ Message - **The Secret to (Really) Loving God** (Pastor Alan)
- ❖ Scripture Reading (Luke 7:36-50)

### ➤ 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, 2026

Jeremiah 1:7

But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am too young.' You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you.

## Announcements

1. We are so glad you've joined us for worship service today. God bless you and your family!
2. Please pray for the Middle East short-term mission team. Three members of our church are attending: Shimu Joyce Lee, Pastor Lee, and Sister Peiling. The team will be providing medical services and evangelistic work from September 21st to October 3rd. May God guide their steps, to lead people to Christ.
3. During Pastor Lee and Mrs. Lee's short-term mission trip, brothers and sisters can contact Brother Gavin Lam (email: gavinlam@live.com) regarding matters related to the church's Chinese congregation.
4. Chinese Sunday School has started a new lesson: "Book of Romans" study, led by Brother Jonathan Lai. All are welcome to join us in studying this important New Testament book, and learning the Gospel of God!
5. Mission Week will be held on Oct. 24-25. Pastor Yen Chun Mao will be our featured speaker. She will present a missions-related message in the evening of Oct. 24 and will preach to the Chinese and English congregations on Oct. 25. We will hold potluck dinner at 5:30 pm on Oct. 24 before Pastor Mao's sharing at 7:00 pm.
6. Brothers and sisters, please join a fellowship group to get to know one another, love one another, become a member of the body of Christ, and walk together in the daily life.
7. Please join us for lunch downstairs, after today's worship service. Let's enjoy a time of food and fellowship together!
8. Please invite your family, friends, and neighbors to CACW to worship and fellowship together. The Bible says, "Faith comes from hearing the word of Christ" (Romans 10:17). Please extend your invitations!
9. The 2026 annual theme is "Faithful Service" (1 Timothy 1:12). May the church, through this theme, serve together in unity and faithfulness as we wait for the Lord's return! We warmly invite brothers and sisters to participate in serving. For the English congregation, please speak to Pastor Alan or another leader. For the Chinese congregation, the sign-up sheet for second-half-of-the-year Sunday volunteer service is posted in the lobby. Please consider signing up to serve the Chinese congregation as a greeter, with altar flowers, or in lunch service (preparing tea and rice, distributing lunch, and cleaning up).
10. Everyone is warmly welcome to join our Wednesday evening prayer meetings via Zoom. The prayers of the saints are powerful, pleasing to God, and effective. The Chinese group meets at 8:00PM, and the English starts at 8:30PM (except the first week of each month, when the two groups begin by briefly meeting together at 8pm). Online information on prayer meetings can be obtained from the pastor.
11. The English Bible Study meets Friday evenings at 7:45PM. All are welcome to join. We gather in the basement of the church, and also online for those who cannot attend in person. For more information contact Jim Anderson.
12. Every week during our Sunday worship service, we place floral arrangements in the sanctuary. If you would like to participate in this flower offering ministry, please contact Peiling Liu or Jingjing Li. We are also planning to offer a floral arrangement training workshop. If you would like to serve with us in this flower ministry, you're welcome to sign up with us.

13. 2026 Church Financials: August income was \$102.0K and expenses were \$45.5K, resulting in a surplus of \$56.6K. Year-to-date through Aug, income was \$317.5K and expenses were \$248.3K, resulting in a surplus of \$69.2K. In addition, the year-to-date Great Commission Fund offering totaled \$14.9K. May the Lord bless cheerful givers.
14. English Sunday School has started a new series on Genesis. If you're interested or have questions, please reach out to Teshun Chan. The Sunday School meets on the second floor of the parsonage at 10am.
15. The Nominating Committee continues to work on the nomination process. Pei-Yeh(叶培源)-Treasurer, Hong Guo(郭虹)-Missions and Eileen Dang(鄭淳美)-Caring are completing their terms. The Voting Members of the congregation can participate in the nomination process. If you're a Voting Member you will received a form with instructions via email where you can nominate potential candidates for these board positions. If you have any questions about the process or any of these positions please contact Teshun Chan (陳德順) at teshun@gmail.com.

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### Church Prayer, Fellowship & Sunday School

**Church Prayer Meeting** 1st Wed at 8pm combined with Chinese congregation, all other Weds at 8:30pm via Zoom. There's great power in Corporate prayers and it's easy to join! Contact Pastor Alan for Zoom details.

**English Adult Sunday School** Please join us every Sun at 10am in person or via Zoom. Contact: Teshun@gmail.com

**English Bible Study Fellowship** The Friday Night English Bible Study Fellowship will begin a study in the book of Luke. Join us in person at church or via zoom at 7:45pm. Contact cacwbiblestudy@gmail.com

**Saturday Youth Fellowship:** Junior or Senior High school students. Every Sat at 7pm at church. Contact: sister Ruth @ ruthwchan@gmail.com