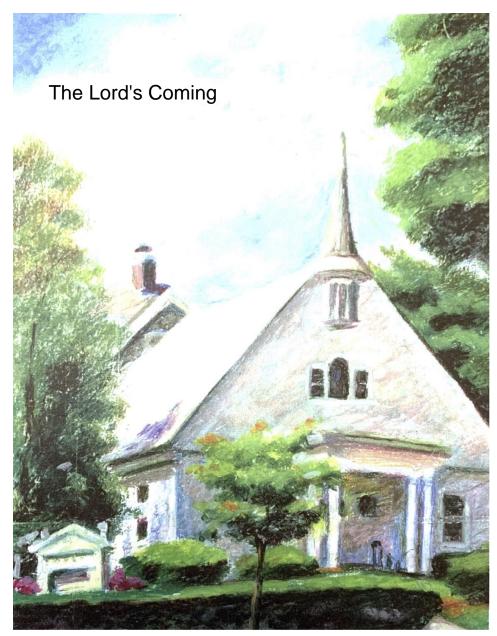
- 1. Here at the start of 2025, our new annual theme is "The Lord's Coming" (Titus 2:13). Please pray that God will renew our hope in Christ alone!
- 2. Pray for our young people studying in college. Pray for good rest and refreshment during their holiday break. And as they prepare to return to school, please pray for God's peace, joy, encouragement, and strength to be upon them. Pray for a joyful transition into school life, and also that God would draw these young people into an even closer walk with Jesus.
- 3. Please pray that brothers and sisters will invite new friends to church to attend Sunday worship. Year-end holidays are some of the best times to invite people to church. May everyone bring others to hear the gospel, come to know the truth, and experience rebirth and salvation. Please pray for the salvation of new friends!
- 4. Pray for God's mercy regarding conflict and violence throughout the worldincluding, of course, the conflict between Israel, Hamas, Hezbollah, and Iran, for families in anguish, for pollitical leaders, and for peace.
- 5. 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.
- 6. Pray for our search for an Associate Pastor (who will focus largely on our Youth ministry). Pray especially for the Search Committee and the Governing Board as they interact right now with a promising potential candidate.
- 7. Please pray for our church's Governing Board, that God would give them spiritual wisdom to effectively serve our church. Pray also for our church's corporate decision-making as we gather today for our annual year-end membership meeting. Pray especially for those coworkers who were recently elected -- Guo Hong as incoming Missions Coworker, and Pei Yeh and Gavin Lam who were elected to second terms as Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, respectively.
- 8. Praise the Lord that there are many new young people attending our Youth Group. Please pray that our Youth Group members will continue to be drawn into a closer and closer knowledge of God, and a deeper walk with Jesus.
- 9. Pray for the many people in the world who have recently lost loved ones, whether from violence, accidents, or natural disasters. May the Lord have mercy, and make his presence and his comfort known!
- 10. Please pray that brothers and sisters will have the desire to study God's words, that they not only have regular devotional time but also intimate time with God, that they'd be able to use their gifts to serve God, to benefit others and to glorify our King!
- 11. 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.
- 12. 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.

13. Please pray for the mother of Tany Cam Sapione from the English congregation, who will need surgery in the coming weeks. Pray for wisdom for Tany as she discerns the best time to travel to be with and support her family in Peru, and also for peace and quick recover for her mom.





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# **Chinese Alliance Church of Westchester**

#### **English Worship Service**

January 5th, 2025, 11:30 a.m

Isaiah 43:18-19

<sup>18</sup> "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past.<sup>19</sup> See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.

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# > GATHERING TOGETHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

- Call to Worship (Isaiah 43:18-19)
- Praise and Worship in Song
- Pastoral Prayer
- Greeting One Another

# > HEARING AND CELEBRATING GOD'S WORD

- Message New Beginnings, New Mercies Every Morning (Prof. Julianne Cox)
- Scripture Reading (Ephesians 1:18-23)

# > RESPONDING WITH THANKSGIVING

- Song of Response
- Holy Communion
- Prayer for Tithes and Offerings

# > BEING SENT TO LOVE AND SERVE

- Community Life
- Benediction

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#### Theme verse for January, 2025

1 Corinthians 12:12 Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ.

#### Announcements

- 1. Happy New Year! We are so glad that you have joined us for today's worship.
- 2. 2025 Gospel Rally will be held on February 15th and 16th. Rev. Caleb Huang is our invited speaker for this rally. The message on the 15th evening is: Eternal Prosperity. On Sunday 2/16, the message topic is: How to joyfully meet the Lord? Brothers and sisters, please invite your family members, friends, and neighbors who are non-Christians to come to these two gospel messages. May God bless your invitations!
- 3. Everyone is welcome to join a fellowship group, to live a godly life, study the Bible together and live out the teachings of the Bible!
- 4. The English Bible Study meets on Friday evenings at 7:45PM. All are welcome to join for our new study in the Book of Daniel. We gather in the basement of the church, and are also available online for those who cannot attend in person. For more information contact Jim Anderson.
- 5. You are welcome to invite your family, neighbors, and visiting friends to attend the church's Sunday worship and other related activities. May God bless you and your family with joy and peace!
- 6. Encourage brothers and sisters to plan a Bible reading plan -- especially as we launch this new year! Read the Bible daily, pray, recite the scriptures continuously, and keep the word of God in their hearts, so that it will become a daily strength.
- 7. Brothers and sisters are welcome to join the Wednesday prayer meeting. The prayers of the saints are powerful, pleasing to God, and effective. All are welcome to attend, starting at 8:30pm for English except the 1<sup>st</sup> Wed of the month when we start at 8am. Online information on prayer meetings can be obtained from the pastor.
- 8. We sincerely invite brothers and sisters to serve in various ways to support our Sunday gatherings. The 2025 signup sheet is posted in the lobby. Please sign up to become a greeter at Chinese Services, for altar flowers, or for lunch helpers.
- 9. Hallelujah! We invite more brothers and sisters to join the worship team, to use music to give thanks and sing praises to God, and lead Sunday worship together. If you are a church member who has the gift of singing, piano, guitar, or other musical instruments, we welcome you to join. Please contact Sister Meiru.
- 10. Shyhyann Lee will share the Word of God in the Chinese service next Sunday, Jan 12. Jim Anderson will preach in the English service.