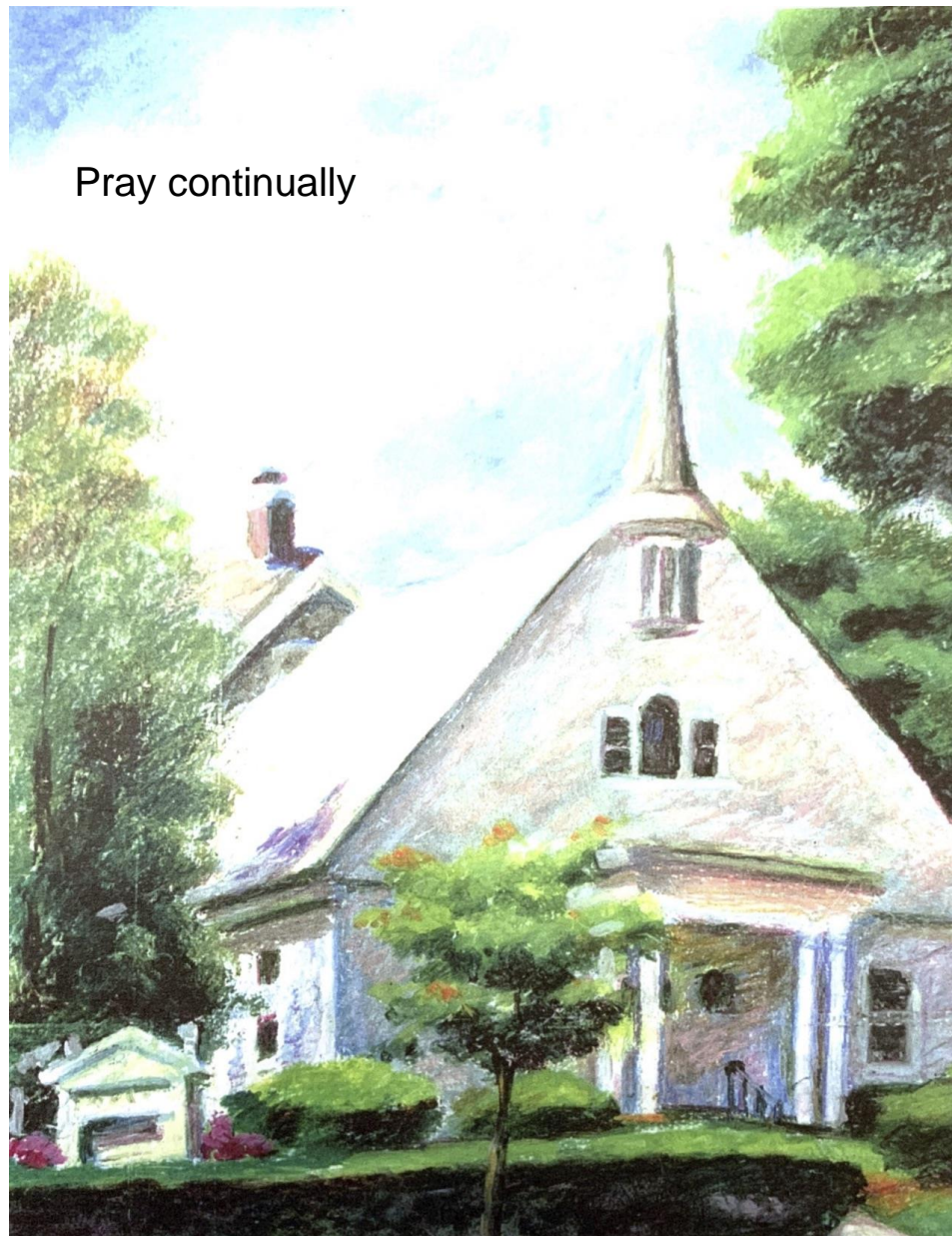


## Prayer Items

1. Pray that God will continue to enliven our hearts and our church through the work of his Holy Spirit, and that not only we--but many others--will come to know Jesus in a fuller and deeper way!
2. Pray for young people heading off to college -- those who are returning, and especially those who are beginning their first semester of college study. Pray for God's peace, joy, encouragement, and strength. 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. Pray for God's mercy regarding conflict and violence throughout the world--including, of course, the conflict between Israel, Hamas, Hezbollah, and Iran, for families in anguish, for political leaders, and for peace.
4. Please pray that during the period of Pastor Alan's sabbatical (September through November), God will provide everything needed for CACW to flourish. Pray also for Pastor Alan, that these months will be for him a special time of renewal and growing deeper in the Lord.
5. Pray for our pastoral search, now that we have "rebranded" the position as "Associate Pastor." Pray we will find just the right candidate: someone with passion and skill for youth ministry, as well as the ability to serve our church and its outreach in a variety of ways.
6. Please pray for our pastors, Governing Board and all coworkers as the Fall approaches. Pray for a fresh ear to hear God's leading, courage and readiness for change, and unity as we work together to serve God. May his loving, Kingdom purposes be at the center of all we do!
7. May God bless us and our church abundantly in the New Year that more people will come to the church, more brothers and sisters will experience spiritual renewal, more people will engage in church ministries, more missionary work will be done, and God's Word will prosper and spread even more.
8. Pray for children and youth in the church who are in college, high school, middle school, elementary school & nursery. Pray that God will keep them safe and healthy, help them adjust to the demands of school surrounded by God's grace.
9. Come & attend the church-wide Wednesday night prayer meeting. God listens to people's prayers and, through the intercession of the saints, bestows grace upon the church and those in need. You are welcome to join the prayer meeting together and receive blessings through grace." Ask your pastor for Zoom connect info.
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.

Pray continually



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English Worship

11:30 AM

# Chinese Alliance Church of Westchester

## English Worship Service

October 20th, 2024, 11:30 a.m

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Psalm 149:1-2, 4

<sup>1</sup> Praise the Lord. Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of his faithful people. <sup>2</sup> Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; let the people of Zion be glad in their King. <sup>4</sup> For the Lord takes delight in his people; he crowns the humble with victory.

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### ➤ GATHERING TOGETHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

- ❖ Call to Worship (Psalm 149:1-2, 4)
- ❖ Praise and Worship in Song
- ❖ Pastoral Prayer
- ❖ Greeting One Another

### ➤ HEARING AND CELEBRATING GOD'S WORD

- ❖ Message - **The parable of the seed growing** (Leo & Renee)
- ❖ Scripture Reading (Mark 4:26-29)

### ➤ 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 October, 2024**

Mark 13:10

And the gospel must first be preached to all nations.

## Announcements

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1. We are so glad that you have joined us for today's worship. We pray God's blessing on you and your family. We also welcome missionaries Leo and Renee to preach and share with us, and may God bless their ministry!
2. Pastor Lee's ordination ceremony was held at 11am at the church yesterday. There were pastors, guests, brothers and sisters attending the ceremony. May God bless Pastor Lee and Joyce Shimu in their service in CACW!
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 EBS (English Bible Study) continues to meet. We are currently working through a series on 1 and 2 Peter. All are welcome to join us either in person or via Zoom at 7:45pm. Please contact Jim Anderson for information.
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. The theme for this year (2024) at CACW is "Pray continually" (1 Thessalonians 5:17). Please pray that God will give our entire church--and each one of us--a fresh enthusiasm to meet Him in prayer!
7. Encourage brothers and sisters to plan a Bible reading plan for the 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.
8. 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. Online information on prayer meetings can be obtained from the pastor.
9. Pastoral Talk: Pastor Lee can meet with brothers and sisters and pray for personal spiritual life, work and life on Wednesdays from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm. Brothers and sisters are welcome to make an appointment and chat with the pastor.
10. In 2024, we sincerely invite brothers and sisters to serve in various ways to support our Sunday gatherings. The 2024 signup sheet is posted in the lobby. Please sign up to become a greeter at Chinese Services, for altar flowers, or for lunch helpers.
11. As most of you know, Pastor Alan is on sabbatical during the months of September through November. In his absence, Teshun Chan will be the administrative point person for the congregation, and a team of leaders will be available for prayer and encouragement. If you'd like to reach them, feel free to email english@cacw.org and someone will get back to you.
12. 2024 church financials: August income was \$21.4K and expense \$36K resulting in a deficit of \$14.5K, driven by electrical repair for the garage office. YTD August income was \$261.5K and expense \$222K, resulting in a surplus of \$39.5K. In addition, year-to-date Great Commission Fund collection amounted to \$9,072. May the Lord bless cheerful givers.
13. Pastor Caleb Huang will share the Word of God in the Chinese service next Sunday, Oct 27. Dr. Amy Davis Abdallah will preach in the English service.