

Pastor Appreciation Month

The month of October has been associated with crisp autumn leaves and pumpkin spice; it has also long been recognized worldwide as Pastor Appreciation Month or Clergy Appreciation Month. I had always thought this month had the makings of a Hallmark holiday. You know, where Hallmark, the card company, made up a holiday to sell greeting cards. However, as I researched more into this month, I discovered that it is rooted in a profound biblical principle.

In his first letter to his young protege Timothy, the aging apostle Paul provides insights into the roles and responsibilities of church leaders. In 1 Timothy 5:17, “Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching.” In this verse, the apostle Paul highlights the importance of honoring elders, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching. This verse helps to illustrate the nature of the pastoral calling and the immense value of their contributions to the spiritual health of the church.

Pastors are more than just religious leaders; they are spiritual mentors, counselors, and community builders. They dedicate countless hours to studying God's Word, preparing sermons, and offering pastoral care to their congregations. This can be seen in the many pastors across all three campuses from the English, Mandarin, and Cantonese congregations at ECC. The apostle Paul wrote 1 Thesalonians 5:12-13 to remind the church to acknowledge those “who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you,” holding these spiritual leaders “in the highest regard in love because of their work.”

The different small groups at ECC do a wonderful job of celebrating the selfless, arduous work of the pastors. They shower the pastors with baked goods, plants to decorate their offices, meals, encouraging words, and thank you cards. However, I think the greatest gift is probably the gift of prayer. Raising regular prayers for the pastors will allow God to empower the pastors in their ministries. Do not forget to pray for your pastors and not just during Pastor Appreciation Month.



SEATTLE CAMPUS WORSHIP SERVICE | 11/17/2024

Call to Worship
Worship through Praise
Congregational Prayer & the Lord's Prayer
Worship through the Word
Worship in Response
Doxology & Benediction
Welcome and Announcements

*Offering is a part of our worship to God.
Free-will offering boxes are located at the sanctuary entrance and exits.
Online Offering: <https://eccseattle.org/en/give/>*

Message from Pastor Solomon Liu
"Resurrection Victory"
1 Corinthians 15:50-58

*Missed a sermon or want to share it? Listen to it at
www.eccseattle.org/en/sermons*

	TODAY	NEXT WEEK
SPEAKER	Solomon Liu	Elton Lee
MODERATOR	Petros Yeung	Ling Hong
WORSHIP	Vania Liu	Amanda Shu
PA TECH	Sharon Wu, Lawrence Tan	Hannah Ng, Titus Goh
LIVE STREAM	Sydney Hwang, Michael Lee Rachel Leung	Rodney Johnston, Edison Hao Ellen Liu
DOOR ROTATION	Samuel Perng	Bruce Chang

Prayers for Our ECC Community

PRAISES AND PRAYERS

REDMOND CANTONESE CONGREGATION

- We are thankful for God’s protection and provision during our STM trip to Thailand and Cambodia. Our hearts are full from serving the Akha communities in three villages in Chiang Rai, and witnessing God’s mighty work through the Pleroma ministries in Cambodia in combating human trafficking. We pray for the missionaries and local co-workers we met on this trip, that they be strengthened by God in their ministries.
- We praise God for a good start of our fellowship groups for the 2024-25 ministry year after the summer break. We welcomed new members who have joined to walk and grow together in Christ. We pray for deeper fellowship among members and a heart for reaching out to nonbelievers.
- We are thankful for a full team of council members and one additional deacon next year, for their faithfulness and dedication. We pray for wisdom and strength from God to serve Him and His flock, and also for God to raise up more leaders in RED-C in the coming year.

PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES

Based in Florida, Sean and Mandi Miller are international missionaries and area

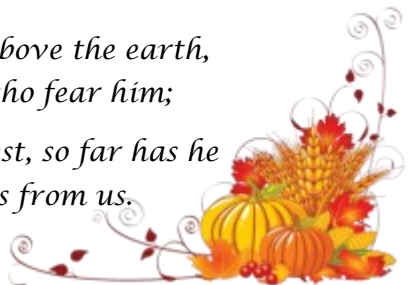
directors for the North Caribbean and Bermuda with Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF). Responsible for eight nations of the CEF region, they work primarily with nationals in these countries to “evangelize, disciple, and establish a local church.” Sean has extensive upcoming CEF travel to the Bahamas, St. Lucia, & Barbados to meet with CEF staff and volunteers in November. Please pray for wisdom in discussion and safety in travel as he will bring his middle daughter along with him on one of the trips. Please also pray for the safety of his family when he is out town. Pray that through all the work of CEF, the gospel and the Kingdom of God will be made known.

PRAY FOR THE WORLD

- Please pray for recovery efforts from the flooding in Spain. May the Lord comfort those who have suffered loss and help the civil authorities and communities work together on clean-up and recovery efforts.
- As we remember Veterans Day, let us pray for the families of those who have lost loved ones in military service and the veterans who have suffered physical and mental injury. May the Lord comfort them and grant them hope and peace and ena-

*For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his love for those who fear him;
as far as the earth is from the west, so far has he
removed our transgressions from us.*

Psalms 103:11-12



ANNOUNCEMENTS

A KINDRED FAMILY CHRISTMAS

SIGN-UP LINK: [HTTPS://WWW.THEKINDREDCOMMUNITY.ORG/CHRISTMAS-ENGLISH](https://www.thekindredcommunity.org/christmas-english)

Be an Adopting Angel this holiday season! Join us in supporting families from the Seattle Public Schools at our in-person Christmas "shopping" event on 12/13 (Friday) for an evening of shopping, food, and fun. Please sign up online, select the number of family members you'd like to support, and you'll receive a confirmation email with shopping details. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



KINDRED FAMILY BOX DROP-OFF DATE AND LOCATION:

After signing up, you can start bringing in your items in a box or a bag (please do not wrap the gifts) and drop them off at the SEA campus (foyer of the gym), at the RED campus entrance, or at the EDS Campus by the sanctuary by 12/8/24, or drop them off directly at UPC on 12/5 (Thursday) from 1-8pm.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED | 12/5-12/13 | UPC

We need volunteers to help with receiving gifts on 12/5, the gift box distribution on 12/13 and 12/14, as well as to help decorate, set up props, distribute drinks and cookies, and assist with the photo booth. We encourage families to sign up to volunteer together.

CARE MINISTRY UPDATE WITH GOOD SAMARITAN FUND (GSF) STATUS

Through your contributions to the GSF this year, over \$34,000 has been granted to individuals and over \$9,000 was spent supporting homeless feeding projects. In addition, about \$250,000 has been given to humanitarian relief agencies locally and globally.

Offering receipts are currently at about \$150,000 dollars, or about half of the full year 2023. Please consider your year-end giving to help replenish the fund. Thank you. May you be encouraged and blessed.

2024 THANKSGIVING OUTREACH (IN MANDARIN)

11/22 - 23 (FRI-SAT) | 7:30—9:30 PM | UNIVERSITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Join us in prayer for this outreach opportunity, asking God to prepare our community's hearts to receive the gospel. Please invite your Mandarin-speaking friends to attend!

WE ARE HIRING: FACILITIES MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR (FMC)

ECC is seeking a dedicated Facilities Management Coordinator (FMC) who will be responsible for the overall management, maintenance, and operation of ECC's multiple facilities to ensure the functionality, safety, comfort, and sustainability of these spaces. Please visit <https://eccseattle.org/en/open-positions/> for details.



FRIDAY MORNING PRAYER MEETING

FRIDAYS | 7:45 - 8:15 AM | ID: 839 4987 0537 | PASSCODE: 807285

ZOOM LINK: [HTTPS://BIT.LY/SEAePRAYERMEETING2023](https://bit.ly/SEAePRAYERMEETING2023)

Join us for our Weekly Prayer Meeting! It's a dedicated time for prayer and encouragement. For those who would like to prepare in advance, you can find the information for each week at seekinggod'sface.org.