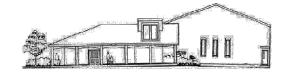
#### **Chinese Presbyterian Church**

# NEWSLETTER

華人長老會 簡訊



(中文翻譯在第十和第十一頁)

**JANUARY 2018** 

"知則爲眞愛, 愛則爲眞看, 看則畜之而非徒畜也." This phrase is in Chinese but this comes from Korean scholar in1732. It states, if you love then you will know and you will see, what you see now will not be the same as before.

When I heard this for the first time, the pastor was stating that love is the most crucial thing in life because if we love then everything will be different because we will know more and we will see more and will result much change.

This is my prayer for our congregation and our friends as we begin 2018. I pray that we come to love God, responding to God's love. Then we will see and get to know more about God and His works. Know Christ intimately and see Him vividly and love the Church to know more about the purpose and the mission and participate and see God's glory in the worship and selfless service.

Please pray for God's love to be shared and understood in our life and life of the church. More love for God, more love for the Church. So that what we will see, what we will know and what God has planned for our church to do for His glory. I pray that everything will be different and more than what we knew and what we have done before.

Rev. Peter Choi

"I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws."

Ezekiel 36:26-27

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Lectionary Scriptures			
Sunday, January 7 Baptism of the Lord	Genesis 1:1–5; Psalm 29 Acts 19:1–7; Mark 1:4–11		
Sunday, January 14 Second Sunday after the Epiphany	1 Samuel 3:1–10 (11–20); Psalm 139:1–6, 13–18 1 Corinthians 6:12–20; John 1:43–51		
Sunday, January 21 Third Sunday after the Epiphany	Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 62:5-12 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20		
Sunday, January 28 Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany	Deuteronomy 18:15–20; Psalm 111 1 Corinthians 8:1–13; Mark 1:21–28		

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# Children's Ministry

#### **Invitation to Serve God**

Serving children is one way to find out what "faith like a child" really means. We have many opportunities utilizing a variety of our gifts, skills, and talents to serve the children of our church. Please pray about this invitation to serve God, impact the life of a child and catch the spirit of child-like faith.

- Minister to families with children
- Help children to learn that they are special to God
- Provide an exciting Christian atmosphere with love, acceptance, and respect for learning God's word
- Recognize that children learn through a variety of experiences

We believe that children learn best by doing, actively thinking, and experimenting to learn firsthand about the world God has created for us. Our dedicated and loyal Children's Sunday School teachers are here every Sunday to serve our children. Won't you come aboard and travel with us on this exciting and wonderful journey?

Jeanette Hew

#### Get to know a friend...



Kayla Choi

Age: 7

Favorite color: purple

Favorite food: kimchi, pizza, spaghetti, jja-jang, strawberries,

Chocolate

Favorite things to do:

playing in the playground, playing with

tsum tsum, singing

**Siblings:** *Jaden Choi* 

Parents: Peter & Angela Choi



# Youth Ministry

#### **Youth Worship**

#### Every Sunday @ 11:00am

Come and join us~!

Let us together come to know, understand, and experience God's immeasurable, wonderful, and amazing love~!

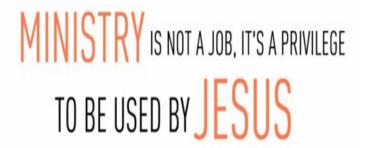
Please contact Angela Choi for more information. (408-718-3379/cpcyouth03@gmail.com)

#### **Youth Pastor Search**

We are in need of Youth Pastor for our youth and college students. We need someone who can work with the heart and passion of Jesus Christ for youth and college students that they may learn about Christ and come to know Christ who will lead them throughout their lives.

Let us pray continuously for the young people and help them to grow in faith in Christ.

Please contact Elder Joy Wu. (818-282-6821 or jywming@aol.com)





## PANDAS SENIOR GROUP

#### **January Gathering**

#### Thursday, January 4 & 18 @ 10am

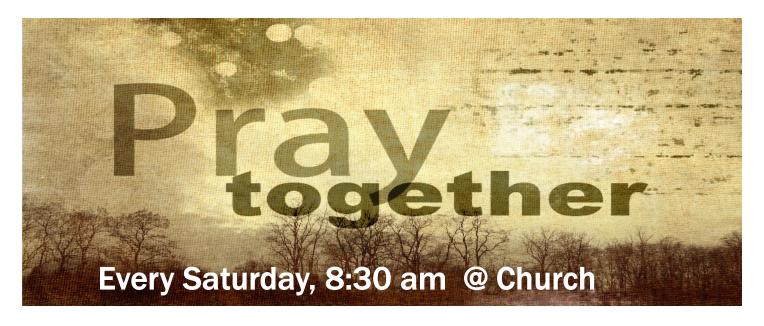
We hope all seniors can come out and have a wonderful and fun time of fellowship together in Christ. There will be sign-up paper on the table in the fellowship hall, so please do sign up if you are coming or let Mayling Hew know.

#### **Ronald McDonald House Charities**

We are collecting recycled beverage tabs to help support our local Ronald McDonald House program, a temporary "home-away-from-home" for the families of seriously ill children being treated at nearby hospitals. The collection box will be on the table in the fellowship hall.

We are also collecting the medicine bottles. Please bring to Linda Lew or on the table in the fellowship hall.





#### **Circle #3 Bible Study**

#### Tuesday, January 2 @ 10:30am

We are studying with the book, "Cloud of Witnesses: The Community of Christ in Hebrews" by Melissa Bane Sevier. We will also have a Christmas lunch together after the bible study. So come and join us in learning about the community of Christ through the bible and have fellowship together.

#### **Installation of New Officers**

#### **Sunday, January 7**

The newly elected officers will be installed and all officers are required to attend.

#### Pizza & Games Night

Friday, January 26 @ 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Come and join us in the fellowship in Christ~!



#### **Chinese New Year Celebration**

#### Sunday, February 18

Chinese New Year Festival will be on Sunday, February 18, 2018. Nellie Underwood, Susan Hom, and Mark Lee will help to prepare. We need volunteers who can purchase food items, cook, set up, prepare plates, serve, and clean up. We also need volunteers who can prepare children's activities. If you would like to help, please contact Susan Hom or Nellie Underwood.

#### **Annual Congregational Meeting**

#### Sunday, February 25

We will have the annual congregational meeting on Sunday, February 25 after the worship service.



#### Women of the Church Christmas Luncheon



Men, women and children gathered to share a meal together on Sunday, December 10 at East Buffet. We were treated to a sumptuous feast while enjoying fellowship with members of our church family.

#### **Session News**

Here are the highlights of the Stated Session Meeting on December 12, 2017:

- Spring Revival approved with guest speaker Rev. Min Chung for May 10-13, 2018.
- Church Directories will be ready for distribution mid-January.
- Women of the Church will buy main dishes for Christmas Pot Luck Lunch from their fund
- Church finance committee working on summary of investment potential possibilities
- Chinese New Year Festival will take place on Sunday, February 18, 2018 Co-chaired by Susan Hom and Nellie Underwood

- Installation of Officers will be Sunday, January 7 during Worship Service
- Annual Congregational Meeting will be Sunday, February 25 immediately following Worship Service

Next Stated Session Meeting Wednesday, January 17, 2018 for 7p at church. All current and new Elders are required to attend.

#### **Church Painting**

#### Every Saturday @ 9:30am-12:30pm

The soffit painting will be on-going every Saturday morning until the job is completed. It is open to anyone, so please come out and help us with painting~!



#### **Volunteers for JANUARY**

DATE	WORSHIP ASSISTANT	SCRIPTUI English	RE READERS Chinese	USHERS	COFFEE HOSTS
JAN 7	Mayling Hew	Will Ellzey	Frank Yam	Stanley & Inge Hamidjaja Anna Chin-Lai	Peter & Angela Choi
JAN 14	Pat Ellzey	Susan Hom	Lena Chow	Sonny Hew, Mayling Hew Jacob Lee	Bill & Mary Ann Bliss
JAN 21	Mark Lee	Nellie Underwood	Mrs. Yook Sim Yee	Dennis Jee, Elizabeth Jee	Allan & Melinda Lew
JAN 28	Susan Hom	Ming Joe	Theobald Wan	Henry Hom, Susan Hom Linda Lew	Tim & Lila Crotty

### **Children's Christmas Play**















On Sunday, December 17, children presented a Christmas play "The Birth of Jesus Christ" and Lea & Penny Bahra performed a duet on "Silent Night".

#### **Christmas Cantata**









The choir gave a wonderful praise and message celebration of birth of Jesus Christ.

The cantata was entitled "The Christmas Story" by Tom Fettke & Thomas Grassi. We thank the choir and Tom Petterson who is the choir director and pianist. We also thank Susan Hom and Jimmy Chow for the narration.

# january

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	Circle #3 Bible Study 10:30am	3	4 Pandas Senior Gathering 10am	5	Prayer Meeting 8:30am Line Dance 10am
7 Adult Sunday School 9:45 am Installation of New Officers	8	9	10	11	12	Prayer Meeting 8:30am Line Dance 10am
Adult 14 Sunday School 9:45 am	15	16	17 Stated Session Meeting 7pm	Pandas Senior Gathering 10am	19	Prayer Meeting 8:30am Line Dance 10am
Adult 21 Sunday School 9:45 am	22	23	24	25	26	Prayer Meeting 8:30am Line Dance 10am
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「知則爲眞愛,愛則爲眞看,看則畜之而非徒畜也。」雖然這是中文話句,但是在1732年從一個韓國學者來的。話句的意思是,若你有真的愛,那麼你就能認識,就能看到,你現在看到的將不會像以前一樣的。當我首次聽到這話句時,牧師講及愛是生命中最重要的東西,因為若我們有愛,一切就會是不同的,因為我們能認識更多,我們會看到更多的結果,一切都不同于以前了。

當我們開始2018年時,這是我為我們的會眾和朋友的祈禱。我祈求我們通過愛來回應上帝的愛,這樣我們 就能夠更認識上帝,並以一種這與以前不同的新方式去會見他。愛耶穌基督密切瞭解他,生動地看到他和更 多地愛教會來瞭解教會的目的和使命,並在崇拜和無私的事奉中看到上帝的榮耀。

請祈求上帝的愛在教會的生命和我們生活中得到分享和理解。更多的愛為上帝,更多的愛為教會。以便我們能看到,能認識到我們在來明年將做什麼,將會是不同于我們所認識的和我們以前所做的。 崔牧師

我也要賜給你們一個新心、將新靈放在你們裡面,又從你們的肉體中除掉石心、賜給你們肉心。 我必將我的靈、放在你們裡面、使你們順從我的律例、謹守遵行我的典章。 (以西結書36:26-27)

#### 兒童事工

邀請事奉上帝...事奉兒童是一種方式去找出兒童對信仰是有什麼真正的含義。我們有很多機會使用我們的天賦,技能和才能為我們教會的兒童服務。請為這個事奉上帝之祈禱,去影響孩子的一生,與體驗到孩子般信心的心靈。

教會兒童事工是為有兒童的家庭工作。幫助兒童意識到上帝認為他們是特別的。提供一個令人振奮的基督教 氛圍愛,接納和尊重地學習上帝的話語。認識到兒童的學習是通過各種經驗的。

我們相信兒童最好的學習包括親自工作,積極思考和親手瞭解上帝為我們創造的世界。我們熱忱,盡忠守職的主日學教師每個星期天都都在這裡等待你和你的兒童。希望你能加入我們這個令人興奮和美妙的旅程。

#### 葉月明長老

結識朋友...姓名:凱拉;年齡:7歲;最喜歡的顏色: 紫色。最喜歡的食物:韓國泡菜,義大利薄餅,義大利麵,炸醬麵,草莓。最喜歡做的事在操場上玩,玩迪士尼『松松』公仔,唱歌。弟弟: 賈登

#### 青年人事工

青年人崇拜...每星期日上午十一時請來加入我們的青年崇拜!讓我們一起來認識,瞭解並體驗神無量,奇妙和驚人的愛!請與師母聯落來獲取更多資訊。(408-718-3379/cpcyouth03@gmail)

需要年青人牧師…本堂的青年人和大學生需要一個領導牧師。他們需要一位能與他們一起工作,以便他們瞭解和來認識基督來引領他們的一生。讓我們為他們不斷祈禱並幫助他們在基督裡的信仰成長。讓我們繼續為我們的年青人不斷祈禱並幫助他們在基督裡的信仰成長。若任何人有提意,請與烏一欣長老(818-282-6821或電郵jywming@aol.com)聯絡。

熊貓前輩小組...小組將在1月4和18日(第1和第4個星期四)聚會,希望各位都能出席,在基督裡享受一個 美好而有趣的相交時刻。在交誼廳的桌子上會有一張註冊紙,若你來參加請簽名在註冊紙上或讓朱美蓮知 道。

**羅奈爾得麥當勞屋慈善機構...** 教堂正在收集鋁飲料罐的開罐匙,以幫助支援當地羅奈爾得麥當勞屋計畫, 是一個臨時的『家鄉的家』,為重病患兒童在醫院接受治療時讓他們的家人能在附近居住。收集箱將放在交 誼廳的桌子上。同時我們也收集藥瓶。請帶來交給陳蓮馨或放在交誼廳的桌上。

婦女第3團契查經班…1月2日,星期二上午10時半,婦女會第3圈聖經班將研究由梅麗莎.貝恩維爾所作的 書本『雲彩見證人,希伯來基督的社團』。歡迎各位加入小組,一起學習上帝的話語。研究聖經後我們將一 起享受聖誕節午餐。

新執事和長老按立禮…1月7日,星期日崇拜時間舉行新當選的執事和長老按立禮,所有執事和長老必定要出席。

**意大利薄餅和遊戲晚...**1月26日,星期5晚上6時半至8時半舉行。歡欣各年歲會友參加!請來一起享受遊戲,薄餅和交通!

**農曆新年慶典...**訂于2月18日崇拜後舉行。葉月蓮,譚碧霞和李貴財幫助準備。需要志願者誰能購買食品,做飯,設置,準備盤子,服務並清理。我們還需要能夠準備兒童活動的志願者。如果您願意幫忙,請與譚碧 霞聯絡。

會眾周年會議...將在2月25日,星期日崇拜後舉行。

教會婦女會聖誕午餐…12月10日,星期日婦女會會員和教堂的男士,兒童聚集在一起分享了一頓美宴來表示 聖誕季節的開始。我們被招待享用教會家庭成員的交誼和一場盛宴。

會議會新詢...會議會在12月13日召開會議。要點如下:1)批准2018年5月10-13日舉行春季復興聚會,由嘉 賓秦民牧師引導。2)教堂目錄將于1月中旬分發。3)教會婦女將從她們的基金購買的聖誕午餐主菜。4)教 會財務委員會研究投資可能性的總結。5)農曆新年慶典將于2018年2月18日星期日由譚碧霞和葉月蓮相位 主席。6)將在2017年1月7日,星期日崇拜時間舉行新當選的執事和長老按立禮,請所有人員都參加。7) 會眾周年會議將在2月25日,星期日崇拜後舉行。8)下一屆會議是1月17日,晚上7時在教堂舉行。各執事和長老必定要出席。

<mark>教堂油漆…</mark>每星期六上午9時半至12時半繼續進行直至完成。請前來幫助盡快完成這項專案。

**兒童聖誕劇**...在星期日,12月24日兒童們表演了耶誕節戲劇『耶穌基督誕生』的故事和愛莉伴琴愛萍演唱 『平安夜』。

**聖誕大合唱**...詩班給予精彩讚揚和慶祝耶穌基督誕生的信息。聖誕節長歌題名是『聖誕故事』。我們感謝詩班的忠誠服務和百多馬伴琴和領導。更感謝譚碧霞和周展明的敘述。



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#### **VISION & MISSION STATEMENT**

Our vision is that the Chinese Church is a growing church family. We are dedicated to worship, Christian education, active witnessing for Jesus Christ and community service.

The mission of the Chinese Presbyterian Church is to proclaim the Good News of God and His love while establishing a personal relationship with Jesus Christ by enhancing spiritual growth through worship, teaching the Bible, and fellowship. We desire to show God's compassion through caring and service to the community