#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 1. 2025 church budget: Chairperson of committee or department, please prepare next year's budget and return it to Kathy Lau or Gordon Lam.
- 2. Harvest Festival on Saturday, October 12 from 2PM-4PM. Harvest Festival is an opportunity for our church to open our doors to the community and introduce.
- 3. Street Evangelism: Today, 9/29, 2 p.m.
- 4. Chinese evangelism musical: Sunday, October 20,10:45a.m.



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### **Activities of the Church**

Holy Communion Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month

English Worship Service Sunday 9:30 am

Cantonese Worship Service Sunday 10:45 am

Mandarin Worship Service Sunday 12:00 pm

Children's Ministry Sunday 11:00 am

Chinese Adult Bible Study Fellowship Sunday 9:30 am

English Adult Sunday School / Fellowship Sunday 11:00 am – 12:30 pm

Chinese Choir Rehearsal Sunday 10:15 am

College/Post- College Sunday School Saturday 10:00 am

Chinese Prayer Meeting & Bible Study (Online) Thursday 8:15 pm – 10:00 pm

Post-College Fellowship / Prayer Meeting Friday 7:30 pm

Chinese Praise Team Rehearsal Friday 7:30 pm

Church Luncheon 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month

Cantonese Opera Class 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 1 pm

Children Art Class Saturday 10:30 am – 12 pm

Ping Pong Tues 1-3 pm; Thurs 3-4:30 pm

Tai Chi Class Wednesday 10 am – 11 am



## **Chinese United Methodist Church**

9/29/2024

# English Sunday Service 9:30 a.m.



I will sing of the Lord's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.

(Psalm 89: 1)

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# **Service Program**

Praise Time Praise Team

Scripture Reading Praise Team

Esther 7: 1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22

Welcome & Announcements Rev. William Cheng

Pastoral Prayer Rev. William Cheng

Special Music Goodness of God Ken Yee

Message Rev. William Cheng

"Sorrow Turns into Joy"

Song of Response Praise Team

Benediction Rev. William Cheng



## Esther 7: 1-6, 9-10,

<sup>1</sup>So the king and Haman went to Queen Esther's banquet, <sup>2</sup> and as they were drinking wine on the second day, the king again asked, "Queen Esther, what is your petition? It will be given you. What is your request? Even up to half the kingdom, it will be granted." <sup>3</sup> Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have found favor with you, Your Majesty, and if it pleases you, grant me my life—this is my petition. And spare my people—this is my request. <sup>4</sup> For I and my people have been sold to be destroyed, killed and annihilated. If we had merely been sold as male and female slaves, I would have kept quiet, because no such distress would justify disturbing the king. 5 King Xerxes asked Queen Esther, "Who is he? Where is he—the man who has dared to do such a thing?" 6 Esther said, "An adversary and enemy! This vile Haman!" <sup>9</sup> Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs attending the king, said, "A pole reaching to a height of fifty cubits stands by Haman's house. He had it set up for Mordecai, who spoke up to help the king." The king said, "Impale him on it!" 10 So they impaled Haman on the pole he had set up for Mordecai. Then the king's fury subsided.

### Esther 9:20-22

<sup>20</sup> Mordecai recorded these events, and he sent letters to all the Jews throughout the provinces of King Xerxes, near and far, <sup>21</sup> to have them celebrate annually the fourteenth and fifteenth days of the month of Adar <sup>22</sup> as the time when the Jews got relief from their enemies, and as the month when their sorrow was turned into joy and their mourning into a day of celebration. He wrote them to observe the days as days of feasting and joy and giving presents of food to one another and gifts to the poor.