

**MANAHAWKIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

2024 – THE YEAR OF TALENTS



Celebrating 221+ Years of Ministry

Pastor: Rev. Kyewoon Choi

Music Directors: Stephen & Wayzeta Strouse

Third Sunday of Easter  
April 14, 2024  
8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

## Worship Bulletin

*Please set all cell phones to airplane mode.*

*During the first hymn, the ushers will collect Prayer Concern Cards.*

*Please sign the Attendance Pad & pass it down the pew (Guests please include your address).*

*\* = The congregation is invited to stand.*

**Prelude**

Arioso

D.E. Wagner

**Introit**

*Because He Lives*

Hymn #364 (refrain only)

*Because he lives, I can face tomorrow; because he lives, all fear is gone;  
because I know he holds the future, and life is worth the living just because he lives.*

## Announcements

**Scholarship Sunday Presentation:** (8:30) Art Hill  
(11:00) Nathaniel Eismann

### **\*Call to Worship:**

L: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

### **C: And, also with you.**

L: The risen Christ is with us.

### **C: Praise the Lord!**

**\*Hymn #100:** *God, Whose Love Is Reigning o'er Us*

1. God, whose love is reigning o'er us, source of all, the ending true;  
Hear the universal chorus raised in joyful praise to you:  
Alleluia, alleluia, worship ancient, worship new.
2. Word of God from nature bringing, springtime green and autumn gold;  
Mountain streams like children singing, ocean waves like thunder bold:  
Alleluia, alleluia, as creation's tale is told.
3. Holy God of ancient glory, choosing man and woman, too;  
Abr'am's faith and Sarah's story formed a people bound to you.  
Alleluia, alleluia, to your covenant keep us true.

4. Covenant, new again in Jesus, Starchild born to set us free;  
Sent to heal us, sent to teach us, how love's children we might be.  
Alleluia, alleluia, risen Christ, our Savior he!

## Children's Time

### Prayer of Confession (adopted from Psalm 51)

L: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your loving kindness.

**C: In Your great compassion blot out our offenses.**

L: Create in us a clean heart, O God

**C: And renew a right spirit within us.**

L: Restore to us the joy of Your salvation.

**C: And uphold us with a willing spirit.**

L: Have mercy on us and forgive us;

**C: In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.**

*All pray in silence.*

### Assurance of Pardon

L: The LORD God is compassionate and gracious,

**C: Slow to anger and abundant in loving kindness.**

L: As far as the east is from the west,

**C: so far has God removed our sins from us.**

L: We are forgiven in Jesus' name.

**C: Amen.**

## Joys, Concerns and Praises

**Scripture Lesson:** Romans 12:1-2 (8:30) James Steen (11:00) Angela Lowe

*Therefore I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.<sup>2</sup> And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.*

L: The word of God for the people of God. **C: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**Special Music** (8:30) *My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness* arr. H. Sorenson/MUMC Choir  
(11:00) *Jesus Messiah* C. Tomlin/Gerilyn Vangi, Wayzeta Strouse,  
John Parker, Stephen Strouse

**\* Hymn #419 (v. 1-2) :***I Am Thine, O Lord*

1. I am thine, O Lord, I have heard thy voice, and it told thy love to me;  
but I long to rise in the arms of faith and be closer drawn to thee.  
Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to the cross where thou hast died.  
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to thy precious, bleeding side.

2. Consecrate me now to thy service, Lord, by the power of grace divine;  
let my soul look up with a steadfast hope, and my will be lost in thine.  
Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to the cross where thou hast died.  
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to thy precious, bleeding side.

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**Offertory: *Beautiful Savior*

Silesian Folk Tune

**\*Doxology (#95)****Prayer of Dedication:**

L: O Lord, as we present this offering upon your altar,

**C: We offer ourselves as a living sacrifice.**

L: Use our words and actions of love and kindness to spread the love of Christ.

**C: May all of our gifts and services be acceptable in your sight.**L: In the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, we pray. **C: Amen.****\* Hymn #419 (v. 3-4) :***I Am Thine, O Lord*

3. O the pure delight of a single hour that before thy throne I spend,  
when I kneel in prayer, and with thee, my God, I commune as friend with friend!  
Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to the cross where thou hast died.  
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to thy precious, bleeding side.

4. There are depths of love that I cannot know till I cross the narrow sea;  
there are heights of joy that I may not reach till I rest in peace with thee.  
Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to the cross where thou hast died.  
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to thy precious, bleeding side.

## Benediction

### Benediction Response:

*He Is Lord*

Hymn #177

*He is Lord, he is Lord! He is risen from the dead and he is Lord!  
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord!*

### Postlude:

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Bridges/Thring/Elvey

**Worship Leader:** (8:30) James Steen (11:00) Angela Lowe

**Greeters:** (8:30) Susan Olson & Eva Mueller (11:00) Millie Plant

**Ushers:** (8:30) Rachel Gomez & Gabby Fernandes-Gomez (11:00) Jo-Eva & Ethan Applegate

**Acolyte:** (8:30) Giselle Lucariello (11:00) Mason Barry

## CHURCH STAFF

*Rev. Kyewoon Choi, Pastor  
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**PRAYER REQUESTS will be kept for 4 weeks.  
If you want longer, please call the office 609-597-7666.**

For our President, Congress, World Leaders, and all those called to Active Duty.  
For the Christians and churches who are under attack. For the peace between Israel and Gaza. For the end of Ukraine War. For the peace in Sudan and Haiti.

**For Healing, Surgeries, Illnesses, Needs, etc:**

The Choi family, John Mueller, Charlotte Banks, Lee Kalsch, the Haddocks, Bill Rinaldi, Kelly & children, Pauline McShea, Carl Farley, Peter Vietes, Yaly and Christian Mendez, the Granito family, John & Jane, Michael, Andy Ferenchak, Bob Nemeth, Joe Nutile, Regina Butterer, Valerie Fenelon, Lora Villinger, Jessica Hubbard and family, Lee Slater, Edna Winans, Lori Nielson's sister, Mary Kay Karachum, Marcie Blake, Ron and Bobbie Warmbier, Randall & Mary Seba, Anthony Vitelli.

And his name will be called "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace".  
Isaiah 9:6

**ATTENDANCE FOR IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL SERVICES**

Sunday, April 7, 2024

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TODAY

Sun. Apr. 14 8:30/11:00 a.m. Scholarship Sunday Services/Coffee Hour  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
3-4:15 p.m. Confirmation Class

### THIS WEEK

Tue. Apr. 16 7 p.m. Trustees Meeting  
Wed. Apr. 17 9 a.m.- 12 p.m. Parents Morning Out  
10:30 a.m./7 p.m. Men's Bible Study  
1-3 p.m. Women's Bible Study Group  
6 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal  
7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal  
Fri. Apr. 19 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Pastors Meeting in conference room.

### UPCOMING

Mon. Apr. 22 11 a.m. Worship Committee meeting  
Thu. Apr. 25 11 a.m. Staff meeting

**SAVE YOUR SPOT:** If you are interested in having a table at the upcoming Vendor Fair on May 4, 2024. , or if you know of someone that might be interested, contact **Mille Plant @** (609) 597-8026. The cost of an indoor table is \$30; outdoors is \$25. You will need to bring your own table. Pick up some **homemade goodies** from our **Baked Goods table**, or plan to have **lunch** with us! A delicious **lunch menu** is available that day, as well!

**CROSSWORD:** Please submit articles for the next edition of *The Crossword* by end of day Thursday, April 25th. Articles may be submitted via email to Joy Cole at [sjcole701@comcast.net](mailto:sjcole701@comcast.net) or handwritten and placed in the Crossword mailbox in the church office. If submitting via email, please include "Crossword" in the subject line. Thanks!

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:** Are you looking for an opportunity to use your talents and skills? We are looking for someone to take over as **editor of The Crossword**. Everyone loves reading about the activities that go on in our church. If you have experience in or are willing to learn Microsoft Word, this opportunity is for you. We are also looking for someone to **lead the Operation Christmas Child mission** in the Fall. Please prayerfully consider these opportunities that so many in our church (and beyond) appreciate. If interested, contact Pastor Choi.

**FOOD BANK ITEMS:** for April are peanut butter and jelly. Please put your donations in the labeled bin located in the narthex. Thank you.

# *Calling All Vendors!*

## *Vendor Fair*

*Hosted by MUMC Women*

*Manahawkin United Methodist Church*

*116 Stafford Ave*

*Saturday May 4th*

*9 a.m. - 2 p.m.*

*Rain or Shine*

*Indoor tables - \$30*

*Outdoor space - \$25*

*(must provide your own table)*

*For further information,  
please contact Millie Plant  
at (609) 597-8026.*