MANAHAWKIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2024 – THE YEAR OF TALENTS



Celebrating 220+ Years of Ministry

Pastor: Rev. Kyewoon Choi

Music Directors: Stephen & Wayzeta Strouse

Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 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	Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone	arr. M. Hayes	
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

*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 #102:

Now Thank We All Our God

 Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices; who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us; and keep us still in grace, and guide us when perplexed; and free us from all ills, in this world and the next.

3. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given; the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven;

the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Children's Time

Prayer of Confession (adopted from Psalm 139)

L: LORD, You have searched us out and known us

C: You know our sitting down and rising up

L: You discern our thoughts from afar.

C: Where can we go from Your spirit?

L: Where can we flee from Your presence?

C: Have mercy on us, O God

L: Grant us Your pardon

C: In Jesus' name. Amen.

All pray in silence. Assurance of Pardon L: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us; In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! C: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! All: Glory to God. Amen.

Joys, Concerns and Praises

Scripture Lesson: 1 John 4:7-8 (8:30) Lee Slater (11:00) Pastor Choi

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸ **He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.**

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

Special Music	(8:30)	Jesus Messiah	C. Tomlin/Gerilyn Vangi, Wayzeta Strouse,	
	(11:00)	My Heart Is Filled with	Thankfulness	John Parker, Stephen Strouse arr. H. Sorenson/MUMC Choir
Sermon		Do You Know	Your God?	Pastor Choi
*Hymn #399 (v	v. 1-2):	Take My Life,	and Let It Be	

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory:

The Gift of Love

Hymn #408

*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 #399 (v. 3):

Take My Life, and Let It Be

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee.
Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.

 Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store. Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Benediction				
Benediction Response	e 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

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

A.S. Sullivan

Worship Leaders: (8:30) Lee Slater Greeters: (8:30) Bonnie & Bruce Nelson Ushers: (8:30) Brandon & Chase Turi Acolyte: (8:30) Gabby Gomez

(11:00) Pastor Choi(11:00) Dorothy Dorner(11:00) Rick Beekman & Diane Johson(11:00) Volunteer



CHURCH STAFF

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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:

Gail Leonard, the Choi family, John Mueller, Charlotte Banks, Lee Kalsch, Edna Winans, 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, Lori Nielson's sister, Mary Kay Karachum, Marcie Blake, Ron and Bobbie Warmbier, Randall & Mary Seba, Anthony Vitelli.

> O Lord, be gracious to us; we wait for thee. Isaiah 33:2

ATTENDANCE FOR IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL SERVICES

Sunday, April 14, 2024

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

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Sun.	Apr.	21	8:30/11:00 a.m.	. Sunday Services/Coffee Hour
			9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
			3-4:15 p.m.	Confirmation Class
				THIS WEEK
Mon.	Apr.	22	11 a.m.	Worship Committee meeting
Wed.	Apr.	24	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
Thu.	Apr.	25	11 a.m.	Staff meeting

SAVE YOUR SPOT: for the Vendor Sale on May 4, 2024! For more information, please see insert and/ or contact Millie Plant.

GARDEN CLUB: will be meeting **TODAY**, April 21, at 1 p.m. to rake, lay plastic and plant! Help needed! Contact Lovisa Hill for more information.

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 <u>sjcole701@comcast.net</u> or handwritten and placed in the Crossword mailbox in the church office. If submitting via email, please include "Crossword" in the subject line. Thanks!

UNITED METHODIST MEN: breakfast Saturday, May 10, at 8:30 a.m. at the IHOP on Rt. 72. Fellowship and fun. Pancakes too!

FATHER'S DAY LUNCHEON: United Methodist Men will be hosting luncheon to celebrate Father's Day a week early on June 9th. This will be held in Fellowship Hall following Confirmation day service at 10 a.m. There is only one service that day.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: Thank you to Jim Steen for taking over as editor of The Crossword. We are still looking for someone to lead the **Operation Christmas Child** mission in the Fall. Please prayerfully consider this volunteer opportunity that so many in our church (and beyond) appreciate. Each year this mission blesses SO MANY children in need around the world. If willing to lead this important ministry, please 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 províde your own table) For further information, please contact Millie Plant at (609) 597-8026.



Covered Dish Dinner

Celebrating Mothers & Daughters of All Ages!



Please join us on Monday, May 13th @ 6 p.m. In Fellowship Hall

Please bring a main dish or a side dish.



Dessert and beverages will be provided by Grateful Helping Hands!

