MANAHAWKIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2024 – THE YEAR OF TALENTS



Celebrating 220+ Years of Ministry

Pastor: Rev. Kyewoon Choi Music Directors: Stephen & Wayzeta Strouse

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost July 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 Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart Lloyd Larson

Introit: Shout to the Lord D. Zschech

THE CONGREGATION IS INVITED TO SING ALONG

Shout to the Lord, all the earth; let us sing power and majesty, praise to the King.

Mountains bow down, and the seas will roar at the sound of Your name.

I sing for joy at the work of Your hands; forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.

Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.

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 #98:** To God Be the Glory

1. To God be the glory, great things he hath done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

 O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God; the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

3. Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done, and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son; but purer, and higher, and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

Prayer of Confession

L: Gracious and merciful Father, we come before You in humility and adoration.

C: We are truly grateful for all Your blessings.

L: You have called us to be partakers of Your holiness.

C: Yet, we have not heeded to Your call.

L: We are truly sorry that we have not walked worthy of Your calling.

C: Grant us the desire to obey You and power to do Your will,

L: Have mercy on us and forgive us.

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

All pray in silence.

Assurance of Pardon

L: Our Father in Heaven has mercy on you and forgives all your sins through Jesus Christ His only son.

C: Amen.

Joys, Concerns and Praises

Scripture Lesson: Ephesians 1:3-14 (8:30) Jim Steen (11:00) Angela Lowe

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵ he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸ which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight ⁹ making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

"In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, ¹² so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it to the praise of his glory.

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

Special Music (8:30) Wonderful, Merciful Savior Thomas Wyse/ duet,
Wayzeta & Stephen Strouse
(11:00) Battle Hymn of the Republic Steffe/Lee Slater, solo

Sermon You Have Been Redeemed John Parker

Hymn #451: Be Thou My Vision

1. Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art; Thou my best Thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

- Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
 I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
 Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
 Great God of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art.
 - 3. Great God of Heaven, my victory won, May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life Hymn #164

*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 #671:

Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

- Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.
 O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.
 - 2. Thanks we give and adoration for thy gospel's joyful sound. May the fruits of thy salvation in our hearts and lives abound; ever faithful, ever faithful to the truth may we be found.

Benediction

Benediction Response:

Christ Be with You

P. Hayden

Christ be with you, Christ within you, Christ beside you, Christ above you.

Christ to comfort and restore you, Christ behind you, Christ before you.

Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in word to friend and stranger. Christ be with you serving others, Christ beneath you, Christ above you.

Christ be with you.

Postlude God of Our Fathers George W. Warren

Worship Leaders: (8:30) Jim Steen (11:00) Angela Lowe Greeters: (8:30) Susan Olson & Eva Mueller (11:00) Millie Plant

Ushers: (8:30) Jim & Pauline McShea (11:00) Jo-Eva & Joel or Ethan Applegate

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

Special Thanks to John Parker for preaching today.

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Kyewoon Choi, Pastor Stephen & Wayzeta Strouse, Music Directors Lauren Kokai, Holy Spirit Ringers Director Kathy Cavanagh, Secretary Lori Nielsen, Sexton

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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:

Jim Mathis, Dawn Slate, Barbara Brennan, Ann Scaturo, Christine Tourso, Glenn & Brenda Bromiley, Helen Diersing, Regina Butterer, Teresa Ruiz, Sue Lounsbury, the Haddocks, Danielle Roguso, Carlos Lopez, Marie Smith, Arlene Vance, Tom Pancoast, Adelynn, Carrol Pine, the Groh family, Rev. Occhipinti, Anthony Vitelli, Jimmy Brennan, Gail Leonard, Lee Kalsch, Carl Farley, Lee Slater, Lori Nielsen's sister, Marcie Blake, Ron and Bobbie Warmbier.

You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only shall you serve. Luke 4: 8

ATTENDANCE FOR IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL SERVICES

Sunday, July 7, 2024

150

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

Sun. Jul 14 8:30/11:00 a.m. Sunday Services

6 p.m. Ice Cream Social & Variety Show

THIS WEEK

Mon. Jul. 15-19 6-8 p.m. VBS

Un. July 21 8:30/11:00 a.m. Sunday Services

PASTOR ON VACATION: July 10 through July 23. During his vacation, please send the prayer requests to John Parker at johntparker@comcast.net. For Sunday, July 14, John Parker will be preaching and for Sunday, July 21, Brian Sprague will be preaching.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL & VARIETY SHOW: brought to you by Grateful Helping Hands is scheduled for tonight at 6:00 p.m. in fellowship hall! Join us for a what promises to be a fun filled evening!

ON YOUR MARK, GET SET....GO!!!: It's almost time for VBS! This year we are GOING FOR GOLD WITH GOD as we learn what it means to be a CHAMPION for Christ. It will run from July 15-19 6-8PM so mark your calendars and be on the lookout for upcoming notifications when we open online registration. We are busy planning a special week of lessons, games, crafts and treats. **The last day (July 19) we have a VERY SPECIAL event as our "Olympians" have the opportunity to run our inflatable obstacle course!** You DON'T WANT TO MISS OUT! Also, we are kindly asking parents and the congregation to donate towards this event to help defray costs...nothing is too small or too large. Thanks so much!! (Envelopes should be marked "For VBS" and can be sent to the office or given to Marissa Barry or Vanessa Estelow).

OUR DAILY BREAD devotion booklets for June-August are now in the Narthex.