

MANAHAWKIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2024 – THE YEAR OF TALENTS



Celebrating 221+ Years of Ministry

Pastor: Rev. Kyewoon Choi

Music Director: Dennis Linde

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost  
September 15, 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**

*Simple Gifts*

arr. J. Martin

**Announcements**

**Blessing of the Children** (11 a.m.)

**\*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 #170:**

*O How I Love Jesus*

1. There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;  
it sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth.  
O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, because he first loved me!

2. It tells me of a Savior's love, who died to set me free;  
it tells me of his precious blood, the sinner's perfect plea. O how I love  
Jesus, O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, because he first loved me!

3. It tells of one whose loving heart  
can feel my deepest woe;  
who in each sorrow bears a part that none can bear below.  
O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, because he first loved me!

**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:** Revelation 3:14-22                      (8:30) Lee Slater                      (11:00) Pastor Choi

<sup>14</sup> *“To the angel of the church in Laodicea write:*

*The Amen, the faithful and true Witness, the Origin of the creation of God, says this:*

<sup>15</sup> *‘I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot; I wish that you were cold or hot.’<sup>16</sup> So because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will vomit you out of My mouth. <sup>17</sup> Because you say, “I am rich, and have become wealthy, and have no need of anything,” and you do not know that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked, <sup>18</sup> I advise you to buy from Me gold refined by fire so that you may become rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness will not be revealed; and eye salve to apply to your eyes so that you may see. <sup>19</sup> Those whom I love, I rebuke and discipline; therefore be zealous and repent. <sup>20</sup> Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me. <sup>21</sup> The one who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat with My Father on His throne. <sup>22</sup> The one who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”*

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

<b>Special Music</b>	8:30:	<i>With a Heart of Praise</i>	M. Weston/MUMC Choir
	11:00:	<i>At the River</i>	arr. J. Martin/Dennis Linde

Sermon

*The Church in Laodicea*

Pastor Choi

\* Hymn #715:

*Rejoice, the Lord is King*

1. Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore;  
mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

2. Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;  
when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

3. His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven;  
the keys of earth and hell are to our Jesus given.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

4. Rejoice in glorious hope! Jesus the Judge shall come,  
and take his servants up to their eternal home.  
We soon shall hear th'archangel's voice; the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

### **Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

Offertory:

*When Love is Found*

H. Hopson

\*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 #706:

*Soon and Very Soon*

1. Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King;  
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King;  
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King.

2. No more dying there, we are going to see the King;

No more dying there, we are going to see the King;  
No more dying there, we are going to see the King;  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King.

3. No more crying there, we are going to see the King;  
No more crying there, we are going to see the King;  
No more crying there, we are going to see the King;  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King.

## **Benediction**

### **Benediction Response**

*Go Now in Peace*

by Don Besig and Nancy Price

*Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith and in love.*

### **Postlude:**

*Seasons*

A. Vivaldi

<b>Worship Leader:</b>	(8:30) Lee Slater	(11:00) Brian Sprague
<b>Greeters:</b>	(8:30) Joe & Marlene Fernandes-Gomez	(11:00) Dorothy Dorner
<b>Ushers:</b>	(8:30) Bob Havekost & Emma Lowe	(11:00) Rick Beekman & Diane Johnson
<b>Acolyte:</b>	(8:30) Gabby Fernandes-Gomez	(11:00) Volunteer

## **CHURCH STAFF**

*Rev. Kyewoon Choi, Pastor  
Dennis Linde, Music Director  
Lauren Kokaj, Bell Choir 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:**

Steve Sullivan, Jay McGeady, Megan, Joe, Nutile, Beverly Jonas, Glenn Schorr's wife, Dave Mercer, Steve Sullivan, Melissa, her husband, Justin and their three children, Pastor Lee Smith, Bonnie Harris, Wally, Elenore Humphries, Andrea, Laraine Harris, Cait Cedor, Steve Temple, Aunt Peggy and family, Joe Onpusko, Richard Blake, Greg Knuckles, Howard, Jim Mathis, Dawn Slate, Ann Scaturo, Helen Diersing, Carlos Lopez, Carrol Pine, Anthony Vitelli, Jimmy Brennan, Lee Slater, Lori Nielsen's sister, Ron and Bobbie Warmbier.

May the God of hope fill you with joy  
and peace in believing.  
Romans 15:13

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

Sunday, September 8, 2024

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TODAY

Sun. Sep. 15 8:30/11:00 a.m. Sunday Services/Coffee hour begins!  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School begins, Blessing of the Children

### THIS WEEK

Mon. Sep. 16 7 p.m. Bell Choir rehearsals in sanctuary.  
Wed. Sep. 18 9am – 12 pm Parents Morning Out begins  
10:30 a.m./7 p.m. Men's Bible study  
3 p.m. "The Residence" Bible study  
7 p.m. Choir rehearsal

### UPCOMING

Sun. Sep. 22 8:30/11:00 a.m. Sunday Services/Coffee hour  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
Wed. Sep. 25 9am – 12 pm Parents Morning Out begins  
10:30 a.m./7 p.m. Men's Bible study  
1 p.m. Women's Bible Study begins  
3 p.m. "The Residence" Bible study  
7 p.m. Choir rehearsal  
Thu. Sep. 26 11:00 a.m. Staff meeting/photo  
6-8 p.m. Loads of Love, Manahawkin Car Wash

**CPR CLASSES:** has been cancelled.

**LOADS OF LOVE:** will be at the Manahawkin Car Wash 6-8 p.m. on September 26.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** begins on Wednesday, September 25 at 1 p.m. in prayer room.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** are available during October and December, Please see Kathy in the office to reserve.

**FOOD BANK ITEMS:** for September are macaroni & cheese and canned fruit. Please put your donations in the labeled bin located in the narthex. Thank you.



Pergamos

Thyatira

Sardis

Smyrna

Philadelphia

Ephesus

Laodicea

AEGEAN SEA

Patmos

Asia Minor  
First Century AD.



# PARENTS MORNING OUT

**AT MANAHAWKIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**116 STAFFORD AVE**

**WHO: 2 AND 3 YEAR OLD CHILDREN**

**WHAT: CHILDCARE IN A PRESCHOOL SETTING**

**WHEN: WEDNESDAY MORNINGS 9AM - NOON**

**COST: \$20 PER DAY**

Children don't  
need to be  
potty trained  
to attend!

Bring a snack and a  
change of clothes  
and join us!

Such a great program!  
Give your parent or  
grandparent a break!

For registration  
information call  
609-597-0407



The PMO Program follows the Stafford Township School Calendar.



**TRUSTEE**  
**FUNDRAISER**  
**GOAL: \$17,000**  
**RAFFLE**

**For NEW Pew Seat Cushions**



**GRAND PRIZE**  
Fall Clean-Up by  
Youth Group



**Donate by Oct 15 and your name  
will be put in the drawing for a  
local yard clean-up by the  
Youth Group.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!**

Sponsored by Trustees. Checks made to church with "pew cushions" in memo.