MANAHAWKIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2025 - THE YEAR OF PEACE



Celebrating 221+ Years of Ministry
Pastor: Rev. Kyewoon Choi Music Director: Dennis Linde

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany February 16, 2025 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

Prelude and Fuge in D minor

J.S. Bach

Announcements

Passing of the Peace

*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 #67:

We, Thy People, Praise Thee

We, thy people, praise thee, praise thee, God of every nation! We, thy people, praise thee, praise thee, Lord of Hosts eternal!

- Days of wonder, days of beauty, days of rapture filled with light tell thy goodness, tell thy mercies, tell thy glorious might.
 We, thy people, praise thee, praise thee evermore!
- 2. For thy blessings, for thy bounty, joyful songs to thee we sing, songs of glory, songs of triumph to our God and King.
 We, thy people, praise thee, praise thee evermore!

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 Lessons: Jonah 4:1-11 (8:30) Cheryl Conti (11:00) Cyle Matthews

4 But it greatly displeased Jonah, and he became angry. ² Then he prayed to the LORD and said, "Please LORD, was this not what I said when I was still in my own country? Therefore in anticipation of this I fled to Tarshish, since I knew that You are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abundant in mercy, and One who relents of disaster. ³ So now, LORD, please take my life from me, for death is better to me than life." ⁴ But the LORD said, "Do you have a good reason to be angry?"

⁵Then Jonah left the city and sat down east of it. There he made a shelter for himself and sat under it in the shade, until he could see what would happen in the city. ⁶So the LORD God designated a plant, and it grew up over Jonah to be a shade over his head, to relieve him of his discomfort. And Jonah was overjoyed about the plant. ⁷But God designated a worm when dawn came the next day, and it attacked the plant and it withered. ⁸And when the sun came up God designated a scorching east wind, and the sun beat down on Jonah's head so that he became faint, and he begged with *all* his soul to die, saying, "Death is better to me than life!"

⁹ But God said to Jonah, "Do you have a good reason to be angry about the plant?" And he said, "I have good reason to be angry, even to the point of death!" ¹⁰ Then the LORD said, "You had compassion on the plant, for which you did not work and which you did not cause to grow, which came up overnight and perished overnight. "Should I not also have compassion on Nineveh, the great city in which there are more than 120,000 people, who do not know the difference between their right hand and their left, as well as many animals?"

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

Special Music 8:30: The Prayer arr. K. Landry/Dennis Linde

11:00: Abide with Me arr. L. Larson/Adult Choir

Sermon Angry at God? Pastor Choi

* Hymn 351 (v. 1-2): Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

 Pass me not, O gentle Savior, hear my humble cry; while on others thou art calling, do not pass me by.
 Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry; while on others thou art calling, do not pass me by.

 Let me at thy throne of mercy find a sweet relief, kneeling there in deep contrition; help my unbelief.
 Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry; while on others thou art calling, do not pass me by.

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 351 (v. 3-4): Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

3. Trusting only in thy merit, would I seek thy face; heal my wounded, broken spirit, save me by thy grace.

Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry; while on others thou art calling, do not pass me by.

4. Thou the spring of all my comfort, more than life to me, whom have I on earth beside thee? Whom in heaven but thee? Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry; while on others thou art calling, do not pass me by.

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: D Flat Major J. Pachelbel

Worship Leader: (8:30) Cheryl Conti (11:00) Pastor Choi Greeters: (8:30) Bonnie & Bruce Nelson (11:00) Dorothy Dorner

Ushers: (8:30) Emma Lowe & Ava Rodriguez (11:00) Volunteers **Acolyte:** (8:30) Gabby Fernandes-Gomez (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.:

Beth Schenck, Pedro Lopes, John Duffy, Elizabeth DiNicola, Anthony Vitelli Jr., Casey, Walter, Patty & Kevin Couch, Justin Schorr, David Holt, Kathy Guido, Owen, Marie Smith, Mike Spiecker, Marcie Blake, Noah, Frank Pupa, Susan Hauge, Carlos Lopez, Edward Speare, Ann Scaturo, Michele Bienes, Ray Shinn, Joy Houghton, Arleen Logan, Kristin Nuckles, Lee Slater, Bill Logan, Anthony Vitelli, Ron and Bobbie Warmbier.

Wait for the LORD; be strong and let your heart take courage; yes, wait for the LORD.

Psalm 27:14

ATTENDANCE FOR IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL SERVICES

Sunday, February 9, 2025

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

Sun.	Feb.	16	8:30 & 11 a.m. 9:45 a.m.	Worship Services with coffee hour between services Sunday School
THIS WEEK				
Mon. Tue. Wed.	Feb. Feb. Feb.	17 18 19	7 p.m. 7 p.m. 9 – 12 p.m. 10:30/7 p.m.	Bell Choir rehearsal Trustees meeting Parents Morning Out Men's Bible Study
			1 p.m. 3 p.m. 7 p.m.	Women's Bible Study Residence Bible Study Choir Rehearsal
UPCOMING EVENTS				

ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY: March 9, there will be ONE service at 10:00 a.m. followed by a

Feb. 27

6-8 p.m.

Tue.

luncheon in fellowship hall. Please sign up in the Narthex. (see insert)

CROSSWORD SUBMISSIONS: are due Feb 23rd. Send to <u>jameststeen@yahoo.com</u> or put in Crossword mailbox in church office.

Loads of Love, Manahawkin Magic Wash

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS: are available in the church office. Please see Kathy Cavanagh to obtain.

USHER CLASSES: Refresher course for new and old usher volunteers will be next Sunday, February 23, at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary. <u>Current and new ushers for either service</u>, please plan on attending this class if you have not already attended.

CALLING ALL VENDORS: MUWF annual vendor sale will be Sat. May 3. Please see insert.

PEW CUSHION FUNDRAISER: is still in progress! We are more than halfway there but still need your support. Please see the flyer insert.

"NOAH" AT SIGHT AND SOUND THEATER: Show date for this wonderful event is July 31, 2025. Please be sure to make your reservation early. See insert for more information. Please contact Diane DeVito to sign up!

FOOD BANK ITEMS: for February are soups, stews and chili. Please put your donations in the labeled bin located in the narthex. Thank you.



SUNDAY, MARCH 9TH, 2025 10:00 a.m. (one service only)

COME JOIN US AND CELEBRATE OUR CHURCH'S 222+ YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY AND OUR 50+ YEARS MEMBERS!

WE WILL HAVE ONE SERVICE ON SUNDAY, MARCH 9, AT 10:00 A.M. FOLLOWED BY an anniversary Lucheon after the service in Fellowship Hall.

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ALL!

A SIGN UP SHEET IS PROVIDED IN THE NARTHEX (FOR HEADCOUNT)



Manahawkin United Women In Faith are hosting a Vendor Fair

Calling All Vendors!

SIGN UP FOR A SPOT - SELL YOUR ITEMS

Saturday, May 3rd 9:00 – 2:00 Rain or Shine

Indoor tables - \$30

- we provide one table and 2 chairs
 Outdoor space \$25
 - you must provide your own table

Location:

Manahawkin United Methodist Church
116 Stafford Avenue





For more information, please contact
Beth Schenck
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609-618-3668 text or call





Noah Sight and Sound Theatre

July 31, 2025 United Methodist Church of Manahawkin

ALL ABOARD THE ARK

With a catastrophic storm on its way, Noah is given a monumental task: build a boat big enough to save his family from a flood that will cover the entire earth. As Noah endeavors to live faithfully in the midst of an increasingly chaotic world, can he trust that God's promises run deeper than the rising waters around him?

Returning for one season only, this landmark production takes you on board one of the world's best-known voyages as live animals fill the stage and aisles. Set sail inside the enormous ark as this extraordinary story comes to life in this special 30th anniversary.

What's Included:

- · Premium Motor Coach Transportation
- Private Group Bus (40 pax min / 54 max)
- · Lunch at Shady Maple Smorgasbord at 11:30am
- Noah 30th Anniversary 3pm show
- Center Orchestra Section 102 & 103
- Company Tour Manager
- Bottled Water & Snack
- All Gratuities

\$185/pp

To Register for Trip Please Contact: Diane Devito T| 609.713.2641 or E| yomate1502@gmail.com





