#### MANAHAWKIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2025 - THE YEAR OF PEACE



Celebrating 222+ Years of Ministry

Pastor: Rev. Kyewoon Choi Music Director: Dennis Linde

Third Sunday in Lent March 23, 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** Largo G.F. Handel

**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** #89: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

- 1. Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!
- 2. All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
  Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.
  - 3. Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!

    Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began; love divine is reigning o'er us, binding all within its span. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife; joyful music leads us sunward, in the triumph song of life.

Baptism: (11:00 a.m.) Samuel Adam Gancarz Hymnal p. 33

#### 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 Lessons: (8:30) Haily Fernandes-Bryan (11:00) Lin DelVecchio

## 2 Timothy 3:16

<sup>16</sup> All Scripture is inspired by God and beneficial for teaching, for rebuke, for correction, for training in righteousness;

#### Joshua 1:8

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will achieve success.

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

**Anthem** Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

S. Eithun/ Holy Spirit Ringers

Sermon

Live the New Life (3): The Word

Pastor Choi

\* Hymn #600:

Wonderful Words of Life

1. Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life; let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life; words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty.

#### Refrain:

Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life. Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.

 Christ, the blessed one, gives to all wonderful words of life; sinner, list to the loving call, wonderful words of life; all so freely given, wooing us to heaven. (Refrain)

3. Sweetly echo the gospel call, wonderful words of life; offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life;

Jesus, only Savior, sanctify forever.

(Refrain)

## **Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

Offertory: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

L. Mason

\*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 #601:** Thy Word Is a Lamp

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

- 1. When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me, and nothing will I fear as long as you are near, and please be near me to the end.
  - Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
- 2. Now I will not forget your love for me and yet my heart forever is wandering. Jesus, be my guide and hold me to your side, and I will love you to the end.

  Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

#### 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

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

Welsh Folk Tune

Worship Leaders: (8:30) Pastor Choi Greeters: (8:30) Bill & Alice Welsh

**Ushers:** (8:30) Kathy Knauer & volunteer

Acolyte: (8:30) Ava Rodriguez

(11:00) Nathaniel Eismann (11:00) Ken & Judy Schorr

(11:00) Kathy & Warren Ries

(11:00) Jayden Welsh

#### CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Kyewoon Choi, Pastor Dennis Linde, Music Director 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.:

David and Lori Holt, Joy Houghton, Marie Smith James Spendley, Casey, Wally, Bill Vance, Donna Bowcock, Carrie Tansley, Ingrid Kupferman, Holly Gallagher, Bob Molinaro, Kristin Nuckles, Richard Blake, Arleen Logan, Dick Watson, Beth Schenck, Pedro Lopes, Anthony Vitelli Jr., Justin Schorr, Marcie Blake, Noah, Susan Hauge, Carlos Lopez, Ann Scaturo, Lee Slater, Bill Logan, Anthony Vitelli, Ron and Bobbie Warmbier.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Psalm 23:6

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

Sunday, March 16, 2025

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **TODAY**

Sun.	Mar.	23	8:30/11 a.m. 9:45 a.m.	Sunday services/Baptism Samuel Adam Gancarz (11 a.m.) with coffee hour between services Sunday School
				THIS WEEK
Mon. Wed.	Mar. Mar.	24 26	7 p.m. 9 – 12 p.m. 10:30/7 p.m. 1 p.m. 3 p.m. 7 p.m.	Bell choir rehearsal Parents Morning Out Men's Bible Study Women's Bible Study Residence Bible Study Choir Practice
			U	IPCOMING EVENTS

Sat.	Mar.	29	TBA	Youth Group Spaghetti dinner
Mon.	Mar.	31	11:00 a.m.	Staff meeting
Sun.	Apr.	13	4 p.m.	Easter Celebration of Music

**PALM SUNDAY:** is April 13<sup>th</sup>. Please join us for an afternoon of our Easter Celebration of Music, to be followed by light snacks in fellowship hall. Time, 4 p.m. Please see insert!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** is looking for candy donations for their Easter Egg Hunt. Please bring in a bag of individual wrapped candy and place it in the bin in the Narthex by 4/6/25. If anyone has any questions please reach out to Vanessa Estelow.

THE FAMILY OF JEAN LONG: has respectfully requested that anyone wishing to donate in her memory is encouraged to donate to the church scholarship fund (Emily Eismann Memorial Scholarship Fund). Jean was the loving mother-in-law of Nathaniel Eismann, mother of Jennifer Long Eismann, and grandmother of Emily, Katherine, and Audrey Eismann. Jean was truly a lovely, Christian, southern lady. Please make checks out to "MUMC" with a footnote designating "Scholarship Fund". Thank you for your generosity and thoughtfulness.

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

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

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# EASTER ALTAR FLOWERS ORDER FORM April 20, 2025

Please use this form for ordering your Easter Altar Flowers. Attach payment for amount ordered. Checks to be made out to: "Manahawkin UMC", please write Easter Plant/s for the memo on your check. You may place order forms in the Collection Plate during any Worship Service or in the Church Office, or mail to our PO Box above, to arrive by April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

	All Orders must be in, no later than Sunday, April 6 , 2025					
	_ Easter Lilies	\$10.00				
	_ Hyacinths	\$10.00				
	_ Tulips	\$10.00				
	In Memory of:					
	Given By:					
	Phone Number/sPhone N	umber/s are important, for spelling or questions from secretary.				
	In Honor of:					
	Given By:					
	Phone Number/s					
	Phone N	umber/s are important, for spelling or questions from secretary.				
<u>(_)</u> <u> </u>	Check here, if you are orderi	g more flowers on the back of this form, or on a second sheet.				
	Plant/s to be picked up (after either Easter Worship Service) Plant/s to be given to Shut-in.					
Pavm	avment must be included with your order. Amount enclosed:					

# COME JOIN US!

# MANAHAWKIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2025 Easter Celebration of Music



Palm sunday, April  $13^{TH}$  at 4 p.m.







# 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 30<sup>th</sup> 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







# Manahawkin United Women In Faith are hosting a Vendor Fair

# Calling All Vendors!

# SIGN UP FOR A SPOT AND SELL YOUR ITEMS!!

Saturday May 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 KF2BQ@COMCAST.NET

609-618-3668 text or call