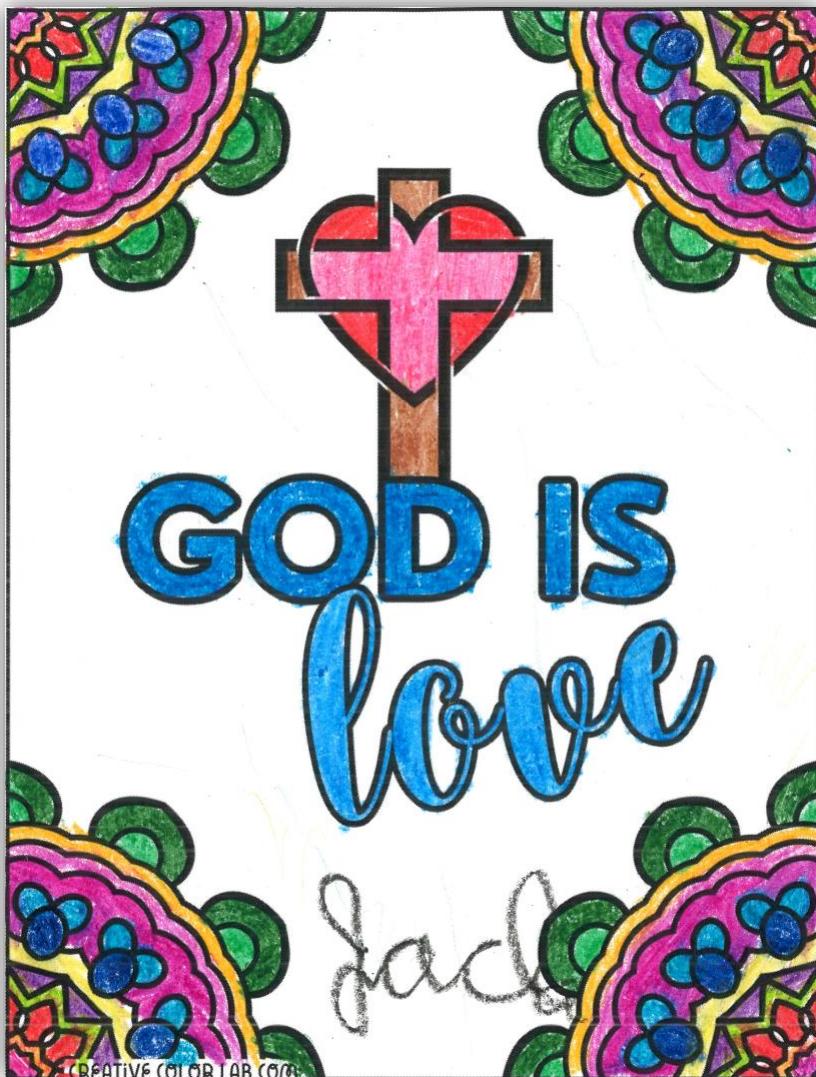


MANAHAWKIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2026 – THE YEAR OF... FILL MY HOUSE



Celebrating 222+ Years of Ministry

Pastor: Rev. Kyewoon Choi

Music Director: Dennis Linde

First Sunday in Lent
February 22, 2026
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

It Is Well with My Soul

P. Bliss

Announcements

Mission Minutes

Passing of the Peace

*Call to Worship:

C: And also with

I: The risen Christ is with us.

E. The risen Christ is with us.

C: Praise the Lord!

* 11 22

Major of Construction (adapted from Summary)

C: You know our sitting down and rising up.

C. You know our sitting down and rising up
D. You discern our thoughts from afar

6. Will you be able to discern our thoughts from afar?

C: Where can we go from Your spirit? I will sing for You.

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, Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 86:11 (8:30) Hailey-Fernandes-Bryan (11:00) Lin DelVecchio

"Teach me Your way, O LORD;
I will walk in Your truth;
Unite my heart to fear Your name.

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

Anthem *All Hail the Power of Jesus Name* J. A. Behnke/Holy Spirit Ringers

Sermon *Unite Our Hearts* Pastor Choi

* **Hymn #395 (v.1-2):** *Take Time to Be Holy*

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *What Wondrous Love Is This* J. Barr

***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 #395 (v. 3-4):** *Take Time to Be Holy*

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 *Seek the Lord* G. Day

Worship Leader: (8:30) Pastor Choi (11:00) Nathaniel Eismann
Greeters: (8:30) Bill & Alice Welsh (11:00) Ken & Judy Schorr
Ushers: (8:30) Diane DeVito & volunteer (11:00) Dianne Menzzopane & volunteer
Acolyte: (8:30) Patrick Scarangella (11:00) Jayden Welsh



CHURCH STAFF

*Rev. Kyewoon Choi, Pastor
Dennis Linde, Music Director
Lauren Kokai, Holy Spirit Ringers Director
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

Sun.	Feb.	22	8:30 & 11 a.m.	Sunday Services/Coffee Hour between services
			9:45 a.m.	Sunday School

THIS WEEK

Mon.	Feb.	23	9 a.m.-12 p.m.	Parents Morning Out
			7 p.m.	Bell Choir practice
Wed.	Feb.	25	9 a.m.-12 p.m.	Parents Morning Out
			9:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
Thu.	Feb.	26	6 - 8 p.m.	Loads of Love, Swell Wash Manahawkin
			6:30 – 8 p.m.	Youth Group

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun.	Mar.	1	8:30 & 11 a.m.	Sunday Services/Coffee Hour between services
			9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
			3 p.m.	Confirmation Class begins
Sun.	Mar.	8	10:00 a.m.	Anniversary Sunday-Bring a Friend to Church ONE SERVICE/Daylight Savings Time Begins!

LENTEN CHALLENGE: Take the Philippians Project 40-Day Challenge! Read the entire Book of Philippians 30 times over the 40 days of Lent. Unlock the secrets to JOY and HUMILITY! Starts ash Wednesday, February 18 through March 24, 2026. Please see insert! Sign-up sheet is in the narthex.

ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY: There will be ONE service on March 8, 2026, at 10 a.m. to celebrate our church's 223+ years of worship service in the community, as well as our 50 year members! What a perfect time to "Bring a Friend to Church"! There will be a luncheon service in Fellowship Hall by the Grateful Helping Hands. Please sign up for a head count in the narthex. Let's welcome our new friends! **For those who have been members of this or any church for 50+ years, please contact the church office for recognition!**

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS: to serve once a month as greeters, ushers, readers and acolytes. Can you help? Please let Pastor or the church secretary know!

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



**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.:

Paige Thurber, Noel, Anthony Vitelli III, Chrissy Monforte, Kaley, Anthony, Chris Beyer, Alice Cranmer, Rosemary Pecoraro, Paul Cranmer, Bonnie Lobb, Roger, Joe Triano, Sue & Rick, the Henkel and Cavanagh families, Uncle Skip, the Bianco family, Jennifer Abbott, Beverly Jonas, Iris Steinmetz' brother, Debbie Schroeder and family, Dean Wetmore, Regina Howard, Karen Steen, Keri Buscaglia, the DiSanzo family, Mary Ellen McCarthy, John Hauge, Joy Houghton, Kristen Thatcher, Jeanne Swenson, Royal Wells, Carol Pine, Dorothy Hadden, Violeta Lucariello, Sam Blake, Ken Schorr Sr., Rob DeVito, Ron and Bobbie Warmbier, Shirley Elliott, Ann Scaturo, Arleen Logan, Eileen Mahan, Lee and Marlene Kalsch, Aileen Logan, Phyllis Bromiley, Carlos Lopez, Lee Slater, Bill Logan, Anthony Vitelli.

³ He restores my soul;
He guides me in the paths of righteousness
For His name's sake.
Psalm 23:3

ATTENDANCE FOR IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL SERVICES

Sunday, February 15, 2026
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THE PHILIPPIANS PROJECT A 40-DAY LENTEN CHALLENGE



**Read the entire Book of Philippians
30 times over the 40 days of Lent**

Unlock the secrets to
JOY & HUMILITY, and
transform your daily walk.

- **Starts:** Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18
- **Ends:** March 24

**“Train yourself
to be godly...”**
(1 Timothy 4:7-8)

- **Commitment:** 20 min./day
- **Goal:** A Transformed Heart

Join us on this journey of spiritual discipline!
Manahawkin UMC

Lenten Challenge 2026: “the Philippians” Checklist

Ready!	Set!	2/18 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2/19	2/20	2/21
2/23	2/24	2/25	2/26	2/27	2/28
3/2	3/3	3/4	3/5	3/6	3/7
3/9	3/10	3/11	3/12	3/13	3/14
3/16	3/17	3/18	3/19	3/20	3/21
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3/30	3/31	4/1	4/2	4/3	4/4

→ Over

At the end of the challenge, please submit to Pastor Choi for verification.

Pro-Tips for Success:

- **The 20-Minute Rule:** Set a timer. Most people can read all four chapters in under 20 minutes.
- **Grace Days:** Notice there are no readings assigned for Sundays. Use those as "Mini-Easters" to rest, or use them to catch up if you missed a weekday!
- **The Finish Line:** By finishing on **March 24**, you'll have successfully completed the 30 readings well before Holy Week (beginning March 29), giving you space to reflect on the entire journey.



Sunday, March 8th, 2026

10:00 a.m.

(one service only)

Come join us and celebrate our church's 223+ years of service to our local community and our 50+ years members!

*We will have one service on Sunday, March 8, at 10:00 a.m.
followed by
an anniversary luncheon after the service in fellowship hall.*

Lunch will be provided by the "Grateful Helping Hands"!

A sign up sheet is in the narthex (for headcount)

Manahawkin United Methodist Church

BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH DAY!



**Come Celebrate the 223+ birthday of
our Church
by bringing a friend to our Anniversary service!**

Let us welcome them with open arms!

**March 8, 2026
10:00 a.m.**

**Luncheon to Follow
in Fellowship Hall
All are welcome!**



Calling All Vendors!

Vendor FAIR



Saturday, May 2 | 9:00am - 2:00pm

Hosted By *Manahawkin United Women In Faith*

Register
Now
To Sell

\$30

Indoor Table

*Includes one table/2 chairs

\$25

Outdoor Space

*Provide own table

Held Rain or Shine



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For more information please contact Beth
KF2BQ@comcast.net or Call/Text 609-618-3668



1. Mak-er, in whom we live, in whom we are and move, the
 2. In - car-nate De - i - ty, let all the ran-somed race ren -
 3. Spir - it of Ho - li - ness, let all thy saints a - dore thy
 4. E - ter-nal, Tri - une God, let all the hosts a - bove, let



glo - ry, power, and praise re - ceive for thy cre - at - ing love.
 der in thanks their lives to thee for thy re-deem-ing grace.
 sa - cred en - er - gy, and bless thine heart-re - new - ing power.
 all on earth be - low re - cord and dwell up - on thy love.



Let all the an - gel throng give thanks to God on high, while
 The grace to sin - ners showed ye heaven-ly choirs pro - claim, and
 Not an - gel tongues can tell thy love's ec - stat - ic height, the
 When heaven and earth are fled be - fore thy glo - rious face, sing



earth re - peats the joy - ful song and ech - oes to the sky.
 cry, "Sal - va - tion to our God, sal - va - tion to the Lamb!"
 glo - rious joy un - speak - a - ble, the be - a - tif - ic sight.
 all the saints thy love hath made thine ev - er -last - ing praise.



Take Time to Be Holy

1. Take time to be ho - ly, speak oft with thy Lord;
 2. Take time to be ho - ly, the world rush - es on;
 3. Take time to be ho - ly, let him be thy guide,
 4. Take time to be ho - ly, be calm in thy soul,

a - bide in him al - ways, and feed on his word.
 spend much time in se - cret with Je - sus a - lone.
 and run not be - fore him, what - ev - er be - tide.
 each thought and each mo - tive be -neath his con - trol.

Make friends of God's chil - dren, help those who are weak,
 By look - ing to Je - sus, like him thou shalt be;
 In joy or in sor - row, still fol - low the Lord,
 Thus led by his spir - it to foun-tains of love,

for - get - ting in noth - ing his bless-ing to seek.
 thy friends in thy con - duct his like - ness shall see.
 and, look - ing to Je - sus, still trust in his word.
 thou soon shalt be fit - ted for ser - vice a - bove.