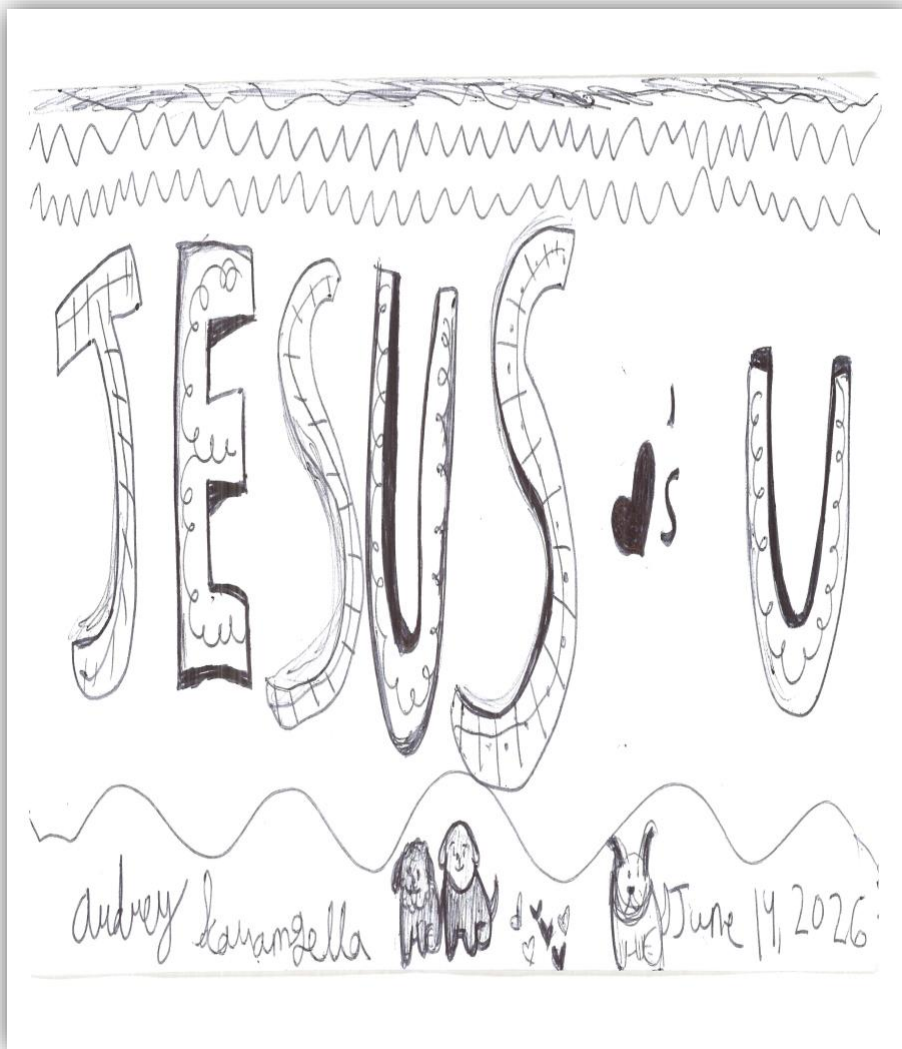


MANAHAWKIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2026 – THE YEAR OF... FILL MY HOUSE



Celebrating 223+ Years of Ministry

Pastor: Rev. Kyewoon Choi

Music Director: Dennis Linde

Nineth Sunday after Pentecost

July 26, 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

Prelude and Fuge in C major

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 61:**

Come, Thou Almighty King

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, Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Lesson: James 3:1-12 (8:30) Hailey Fernandez-Bryan (11:00) Nathaniel Eismann

3 Let not many of you become teachers, my brethren, knowing that as such we will incur a stricter judgment. **2** For we all stumble in many ways. If anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able to bridle the whole body as well. **3** Now if we put the bits into the horses' mouths so that they will obey us, we direct their entire body as well. **4** Look at the ships also, though they are so great and are driven by strong winds, are still directed by a very small rudder wherever the inclination of the pilot desires. **5** So also the tongue is a small part of the body, and yet it boasts of great things.

See how great a forest is set aflame by such a small fire! **6** And the tongue is a fire, the very world of iniquity; the tongue is set among our members as that which defiles the entire body, and sets on fire the course of our life, and is set on fire by hell. **7** For every species of beasts and birds, of reptiles and creatures of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by the human race. **8** But no one can tame the tongue; *it is a restless evil and full of deadly poison.* **9** With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the likeness of God; **10** from the same mouth come *both* blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be this way. **11** Does a fountain send out from the same opening *both* fresh and bitter water? **12** Can a fig tree, my brethren, produce olives, or a vine produce figs? Nor *can* salt water produce fresh.

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

Special Music: *In This Hour* H. Sorenson/Lee Slater

Sermon *The Small Spark* Pastor Choi

*** Hymn #407:** *Close to Thee*

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *Adante* F. B. Mendelssohn

***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 #405:**

Seek Ye First

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

In Thee Is Joy

J. S Bach

Worship Leader: (8:30) Pastor Choi

(11:00) Nathaniel Eismann

Greeters: (8:30) Bill & Alice Welsh

(11:00) Volunteers

Ushers: (8:30) Diane DeVito & Volunteer

(11:00) Dianne Menzzopane & Jill Truax

Acolyte: (8:30) Volunteer

(11:00) Jayden Welsh

SPECIAL THANKS

To Vel Gamble for providing
the beautiful music for our service today!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

Sun. Jul. 26 8:30 & 11 a.m. Sunday Services

THIS WEEK

Wed.	Jul.	29	9:30 a.m.	Men's Bible study
			3:30 p.m.	Residence Bible study
Thu.	Jul.	30	1 p.m.	Nurture committee meeting at Eileen Mahan's house

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun. Aug. 2 8:30 & 11 a.m. Sunday Services

CHURCH SECRETARY ON VACATION: While the Kat's away, Lin DelVecchio will be holding down the fort , July 20 – July 31). Lin will be in the office Mondays and Wednesdays.

THE NURTURE COMMITTEE: is calling for compassionate, kind people who are willing to reach out to shut-ins and chronically ill persons by sending greeting cards and/or delivering altar flowers. On Thursday, July 30th, at 1 p.m. a reorganization meeting will be held at the home of Eileen Mahan. Please call her on 609-290-8903 if interested in this mission.

FOOD BANK ITEMS: for August 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 in the Middle East.
For the end of Ukraine War. For the peace in Sudan and Haiti.

For Healing, Surgeries, Illnesses, Needs, etc.:

The Parker family, Greg Wagner, Joshua, Barbara Merriam, Jennifer Buck, Jennifer, Tina, Gina, Jackie Puntasecca, Ron Mathis, Arleen Logan, DiAnn, Kirsten Thatcher, Bob Schenck, the Augustyniak family, the Howland family, Burton, Kristin and Greg Nuckles, John Kenneth Linde, Nathaniel Eismann, Laura Macellari, Lora Villinger, Diane Gerlach, Dorothy Hadden, Lee Slater, Anthony Vitelli III, Bonnie Lobb, Joy Houghton, Jeanne Swenson, Violeta Lucariello, Ken Schorr Sr., Rob DeVito, Ron and Bobbie Warmbier, Shirley Elliott, Ann Scaturo, Lee and Marlene Kalsch, Aileen Logan, Phyllis Bromiley, Carlos Lopez, Bill Logan, Anthony Vitelli.

¹⁸ And the seed whose fruit is righteousness
is sown in peace by those who make peace.
James 3:18

ATTENDANCE FOR IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL SERVICES

Sunday, July 19, 2026

Come, Thou Almighty King

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1. Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy
 2. Come, thou in - car - nate Word, gird on thy
 3. Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred
 4. To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal

name to sing, help us to praise! Fa - ther all
 might - y sword, our prayer at - tend! Come, and thy
 wit - ness bear in this glad hour. Thou who al -
 prais - es be, hence, ev - er - more. Thy sov - ereign

glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic - to - ri - ous,
 peo - ple bless, and give thy word suc - cess;
 might - y art, now rule in ev - ery heart,
 maj - es - ty may we in glo - ry see,

come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days!
 Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend!
 and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of power!
 and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore!

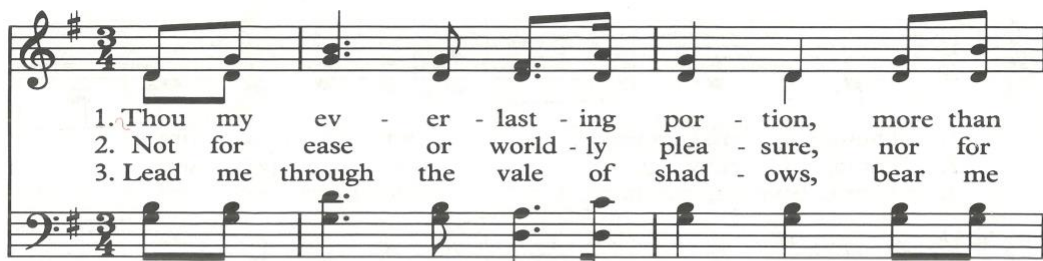
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Close to Thee

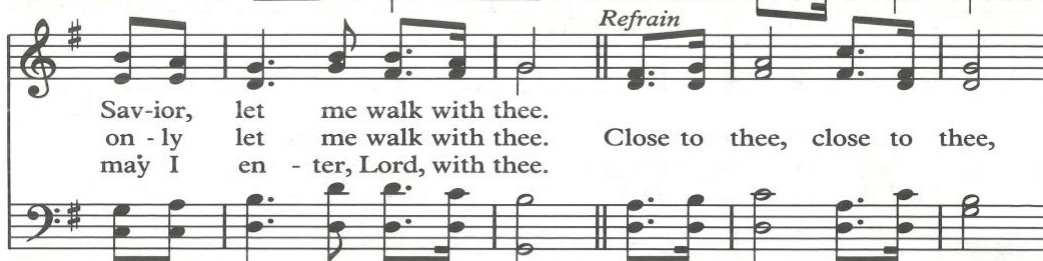
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1. Thou my ev - er - last - ing por - tion, more than
 2. Not for ease or world - ly plea - sure, nor for
 3. Lead me through the vale of shad - ows, bear me



friend or life to me, all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
 fame my prayer shall be; glad - ly will I toil and suf - fer,
 o'er life's fit - ful sea; then the gate of life e - ter - nal



Refrain
 Sav-ior, let me walk with thee.
 on - ly let me walk with thee. Close to thee, close to thee,
 may I en - ter, Lord, with thee.



close to thee, close to thee, all a - long my pil - grim
 glad - ly will I toil and
 then the gate of life e -



jour - ney, Sav - ior, let me walk with thee.
 suf - fer, on - ly let me walk with thee.
 ter - nal may I en - ter, Lord, with thee.

Seek Ye First

405

D Al - le - lu - ia, G Al -

1. Seek ye first the king - dom of God and his
2. Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you; seek and

D le - Em7 lu - A7 ia, D Al - F#m le -

righ-teous - ness, and all these things shall be
ye shall find; knock, and the door shall be

G lu - D ia, G Al - D le - A7sus lu - A7 D ia!

add-ed un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
o-pened un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

WORDS: Karen Lafferty, 1972 (Mt. 6:33; 7:7)
MUSIC: Karen Lafferty, 1972

SEEK YE
Irr.

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