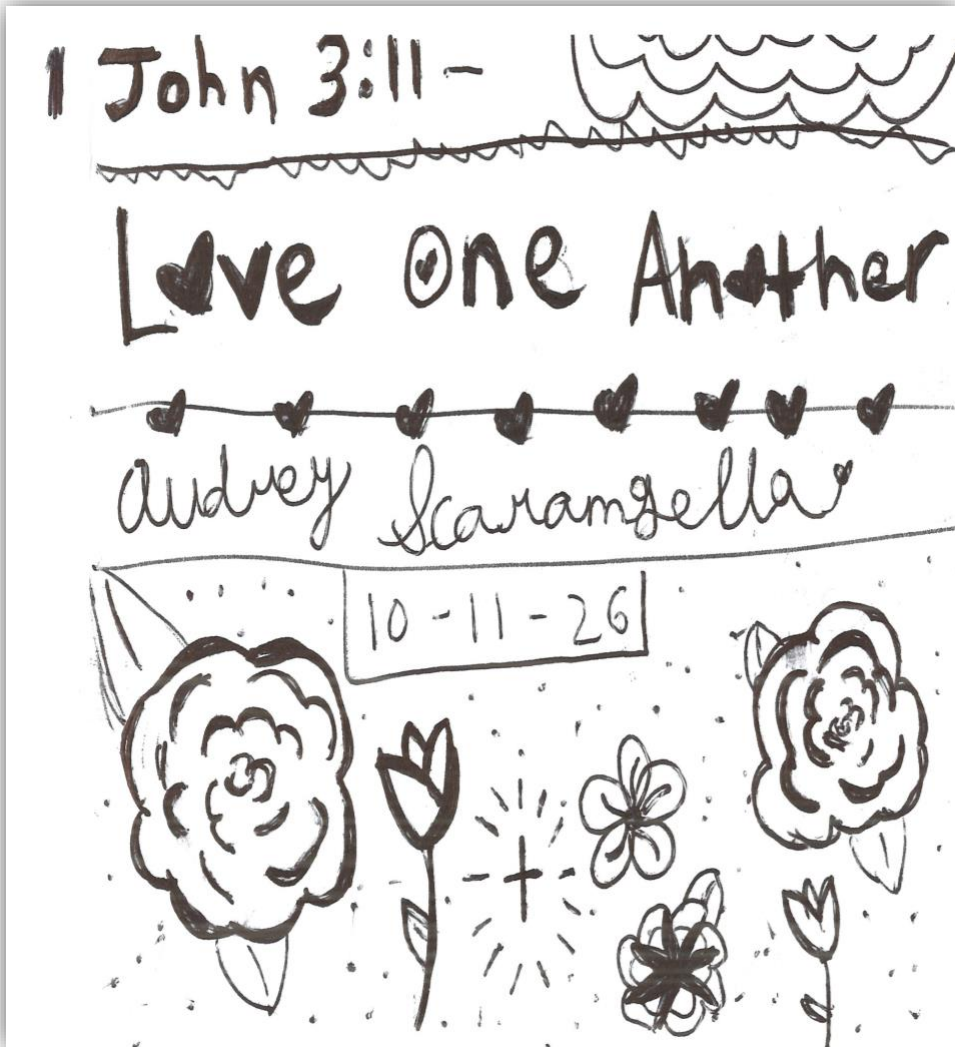


MANAHAWKIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2026 – THE YEAR OF... FILL MY HOUSE



Celebrating 223+ Years of Ministry

Pastor: Rev. Kyewoon Choi

Music Director: Dennis Linde

Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost
October 25, 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 in C#

R. Rachmaninoff

Announcements

Mission Minutes – Eucharistic Ministry

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 #110:**

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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: Philippians 2:14-16

(8:30) Hailey Fernandez-Bryan (11:00) Nathaniel Eismann

*Do all things without grumbling or disputing; so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as **lights in the world**, holding fast the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I will have reason to glory because I did not run in vain nor toil in vain.*

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

Special Music: (8:30) *Autumn Carol* arr. R. Schulz-Widmar/Grace Notes, MUMC Choir
(11:00) *Blessed Assurance* arr. J.W. Krug/Holy Spirit Ringers

Sermon *Lights in the World* Pastor Choi

The Apostles' Creed Hymnal page #881

* Hymn #585 (2x): *This Little Light of Mine*

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *Gymnopedie 1* E. Satie

*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 #188: *Christ Is the World's Light*

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

Toccata in D Minor

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 & Debbie Miller	(11:00) Dianne Menzzopane & Volunteer
Acolyte:	(8:30) Giselle Lucariello	(11:00) Jayden Welsh



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

Sun. Oct. 25 8:30 & 11 a.m. Sunday Services/Coffee Hour between services
Trunk or Treat between services

THIS WEEK

Mon. Oct. 26 7 p.m. Special Council Meeting in regard to BESS proposal
Tue. Oct. 27 7 p.m. Adult Bible study at Eileen Mahan's house
Wed. Oct. 28 9:30 a.m. Men's Bible study
1 p.m. Women's Bible study at Eileen Mahan's house
3:30 p.m. Residence Bible study
Sat. Oct. 31 Crossword articles due

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun. Nov. 1 8:30 & 11 a.m. Sunday Services/Coffee Hour between services
Sunday School
Tue. Nov. 10 1 p.m. MUWF meeting

LOOKING FOR CHRISTMAS CAROLERS! All are invited to sing Christmas Carols to the residents of The Terraces in Little Egg Harbor on **Saturday, December 12th from 2 – 2:30 p.m.** Come join us as we bring them some holiday cheer! Contact Kathy in the office for more info!

ALL SAINTS FORMS: are due **TODAY, October 25th**. Please make sure they are in the office today for next week's service.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING: Tomorrow, Monday, October 26, 7 p.m. to discuss a single agenda item: deciding whether to sign the two-page agreement to proceed with our BESS proposal.

TRUNK OR TREAT: is **TODAY**, October 25, between services. Please see Vanessa Estelow for information!

REMINDER!: The first day of Eastern Standard Time will begin **NEXT SUNDAY**, November 1st! Don't forget to **turn your clocks back** one hour on Saturday night, October 31st!

FOOD BANK ITEMS: for November are canned meat, stew, and chili. 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.:

Bruce, Shawn, Kristian Thatcher, Jill Frey, Ken Schorr Sr., Judy Schorr, Anthony, the Mackiewicz family, the Joe DeRario Family, Stephanie Trapp and family, Giselle Lucariello, Tim Parker, Alice Cranmer, Beth Mathis, Laraine Harris, Mary-Kay Karachum and family, Relda Lockwood, Butch Cook, Deb Houghton, Shirley Elliot, John and Susan Hauge, Dorothy Hadden, Joy Houghton, Jeanne Swenson, Violeta Lucariello, Ron and Bobbie Warmbier, Ann Scaturro, Lee and Marlene Kalsch, Phyllis Bromiley, Carlos Lopez, Bill Logan, Anthony Vitelli.

“I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness,
but will have the Light of life.”

John 8:12

ATTENDANCE FOR IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL SERVICES

Sunday, October 18, 2026

In Person : 88

Phone In: 4

Online: 75

Total: 167

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ALL SAINT'S SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 1, 2026

DO YOU HAVE A LOVED ONE WHO HAS DIED since October 2025?

On All Saints Sunday, in a Special Memorial at both services, we will include a list of our Loved ones and Friends who have died since last October. To submit a name for this memorial service, please fill out this form and place it in the Offering Basket, or Basket in the Narthex, or bring it into the **Church Office by Sun., October 25.** If you wish, present us with a picture as well, so it can be displayed at both services.

Name of Loved One: _____

Relationship to you: _____

I will be at: 8:30am _____ or 11am _____ service:

To participate: YES _____ or NO _____

Write a line or two describing this person:

If you have more Loved Ones you wish to list, please check here ____, then please write them on the back of this sheet. Thank you.

Your Name _____

Phone number (Day time*) _____

(*) It is imperative that you write a daytime phone number, so that we can contact someone with any questions we may have.)



Into the Amazon

with Shoebox Gifts and the Gospel

In the jungles of Peru about 100 miles from the closest town, Operation Christmas Child hosted the first of many outreach events for the children of a community rife with alcohol abuse and ancestor worship. Known as the Chapra, this ethnic group lives isolated from the outside world.

Chapra boys and girls riveted their attention on the colorful posters Samaritan's Purse had brought on the weeklong journey upriver to illustrate the Gospel of Jesus Christ—a message that had only recently reached their region. The team surprised each child with their own shoebox full of toys and other fun items as well as *The Greatest Gift* Gospel booklet—the first printed resource in their language.

A Chapra father and son, Masorashi and Moises, had recently learned about Jesus Christ through a missionary. Giving their hearts to the Lord, they wanted the 31 Chapra communities around them to have that same life-changing hope. Masorashi began pastoring, but his message started to multiply exponentially when Operation Christmas Child helped him produce a Gospel resource in his own language!

One Chapra mother said the Gospel booklet helped her daughter, Kati, share the Good News with others. “She tells her friends about Jesus,” the mother said.

In less than a week, Operation Christmas Child hosted 15 events in 12 Chapra communities. As a result, 1,058 children received a shoebox gift and a copy of *The Greatest Gift* in their own language. Follow-up discipleship lessons for the boys and girls are now being held in these communities.

“Having the opportunity to have the booklet *The Greatest Gift* translated into their language is something that is incredible,” said a missionary partner of Operation Christmas Child who helped with the translation. “It’s something that will transcend generations.”



For more of the Chapra story, scan
or visit samaritanpurse.org/occ-peru





Gift Suggestions to Get You Started

Gift-filled Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are delivered together with **the Good News of Jesus Christ** as expressions of God's immense love for a child. ***So be sure to make them ...***

FUN: Include a quality "wow" item to delight the child, such as ...

- Soccer ball with pump
- Dolls and stuffed animals

FULL: Fill with school supplies and personal care items, such as ...

- Pens, pencils, crayons, and notebooks
- Sunglasses and flashlights

PERSONALIZED: Make sure every shoebox is unique and covered in prayer. Include a note of encouragement and photo of you, your family, church, or group to further personalize the gift. These personal letters often are children's favorite shoebox items!

You Can Even Learn Where Your Shoebox Went!

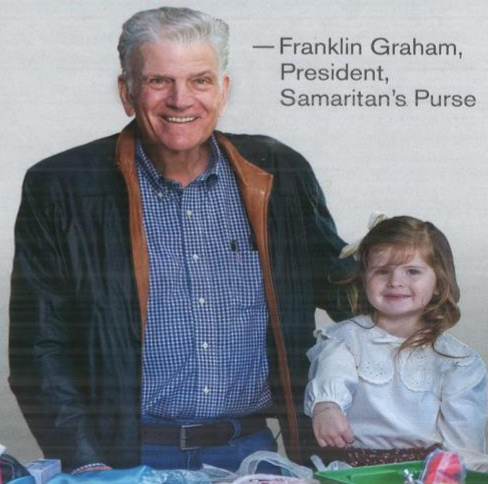
A donation of \$10 per shoebox is **critical** to help cover collecting, processing, and shipping gifts to equip local churches for evangelism and discipleship.

If you give that donation online through **Follow Your Box**, you can discover the country destination of your gift!



**"Every box is an
opportunity for a child to
hear God loves them."**

— Franklin Graham,
President,
Samaritan's Purse



Pictured with granddaughter Georgia

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A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1. A might-y for - tress is our God, a bul-wark nev-er fail - ing;
 2. Did we in our own strength con-fide, our striv-ing would be los - ing,
 3. And though this world, with dev-ils filled, should threat-en to un - do us,
 4. That word a -bove all earth-ly powers, no thanks to them, a -bid - eth;

our help-er he a - mid the flood of mor-tal ills pre - vail - ing.
 were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choos - ing.
 we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to tri-umph through us.
 the Spir-it and the gifts are ours, thru him who with us sid - eth.

For still our an - cient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and
 Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je-sus, it is he; Lord Sa - ba -
 The Prince of Dark - ness grim, we trem-ble not for him; his rage we
 Let goods and kin - dred go, this mor-tal life al - so; the bod - y

power are great, and armed with cru-el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 oth, his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.
 can en - dure, for lo, his doom is sure; one lit-tle word shall fell him.
 they may kill; God's truth a - bid-eth still; his king-dom is for - ev - er.

This Little Light of Mine

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1. This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. (let it shine)

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. (let it shine)

2. Everywhere I go
3. All through the night

WORDS: Afro-American spiritual (Mt. 5:14-16)

MUSIC: Afro-American spiritual; adapt. by William Farley Smith, 1987

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Christ Is the World's Light

1. Christ is the world's light, Christ and none oth - er; born in our
 2. Christ is the world's peace, Christ and none oth - er; no one can
 3. Christ is the world's life, Christ and none oth - er; sold once for
 4. Give God the glo - ry, God and none oth - er; give God the

dark - ness, he be - came our broth - er. If we have seen him,
 serve him and de - spise an - oth - er. Who else u - nites us,
 sil - ver, mur - dered here, our broth - er; he, who re - deems us,
 glo - ry, Spir - it, Son, and Fa - ther; give God the glo - ry,

we have seen the Fa - ther: Glo - ry to God on high!
 one in God the Fa - ther? Glo - ry to God on high!
 reigns with God the Fa - ther: Glo - ry to God on high!
 God with us, my broth - er: Glo - ry to God on high!

WORDS: Fred Pratt Green, 1968

MUSIC: *Paris Antiphoner*, 1681; harm. by David Evans, 1927; alt.

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