

## Announcements

**Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service: November 27th at 7pm**—All Saints Episcopal Church (100 N Drew Street) will host an Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service on Wednesday at 7 p.m. There is an opportunity to sing in a mass choir that will rehearse an hour before the service. Pastor Ben will be present and participating in the service.

**Hanging of the Greens**—Join us after worship on December 1 to decorate for the Advent and Christmas Seasons. Many hands are needed to make the season bright!

**Wednesday night meal**—will be on break this week. Join us again on December 4th for food and fellowship at Dinner Church, Wednesdays at 5:30.

**“The Weary World Rejoices” Advent Devotional**—will be available December 1st. Meeting times will be Tuesday nights at 6pm (Zoom), Wednesday afternoons 2pm (St. James), and Wednesday evenings after Dinner Church.

**“Charlie Brown Christmas” Worship Series** — will run throughout Advent. The choir and children will offer a program during worship on Sunday, December 22nd.

**Leadership Board Meeting Today After Worship** — Our Leadership Board will meet today in the Library after worship. We are preparing for our Charge Conference on December 12th.

**Adopt-a-Family** — We have the opportunity to spread some Christmas Cheer with our Edison neighbors again this season! Grab a tag from the red bulletin board and return the gift wrapped with the tag on top by Sunday, December 8th.

## Emmanuel Prayer Joys and Concerns

- ♥ Joy! Morgan’s friend is celebrating a 13th birthday.
- ♥ For friends and family of long time member Joyce Wenzel who passed away on Friday.
- ♥ For Becky’s mom Shawn as she recovers from foot surgery.
- ♥ For Marilyn Zylstra who has the flu and for her daughter Michelle recovering from surgery.
- ♥ For our brothers and sisters in the armed forces.
- ♥ For Carrie’s friend Anne who suffered a stroke and is recovering from brain surgery.

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# EMMANUEL

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*We welcome. We worship. We Witness.*



Not of This World  
John 18:33-37

November 24, 2024

Prelude

Welcome — PASTOR BEN MORRIS

Choral Gathering — He is Exalted — BLACK 2070

Call to Worship

Children of God, whom do you follow?

**We follow Christ, Ruler of us all.**

Children of God, what kind of Ruler is Christ?

**Christ reigns with love and truth, justice and mercy, compassion and peace.**

Children of God, how will you live in the reign of Christ?

**We will join Christ in choosing love, truth, justice, mercy, compassion, and peace even when our world tells us not to.**

Children of God, come, let us worship God

whose Love reigns over us, exemplified in Jesus Christ!

**Come, let us worship! Thanks be to God**

Hymn – Rejoice the Lord is King — RED 715

Prayer of Confession — ALL

**Hide your truth in our hearts, dear God,**

**for we are a people who are attracted to the error of our ways.**

**We find ourselves in predicaments**

**that make us sigh and groan.**

**We have brought upon ourselves**

**many of the disasters that have come our way.**

**We were not honest and truthful in all situations.**

**We even try to hide from our selves**

**when we realize that we are responsible for our own mistakes.**

**O Lord, do not remove yourself from us.**

**Forgive us, we pray, for the many wrongdoings, and shortcomings.**

**Fill us with your grace and blot out our transgressions.**

**Give us genuine love for each other, we pray.**

**Hear us, we pray, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Passing the Peace

Children's Moment — PASTOR BEN

Offering

Offering Response — Doxology — RED 95

Offering Prayer

**Lord of heaven and earth,**

**we celebrate the reign of Christ our King,**

**whose kingdom is built on truth, love, and grace.**

**Bless these gifts we present to you.**

**May they advance your kingdom**

**in our community and beyond.**

**In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen**

Scripture — John 18:33-37

God, we thank you for your Word.

**The story of your grace.**

Sermon — Not of This World — PASTOR BEN

Choral Anthem — King Jesus Is His Name— CHOIR

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn—Jesus Shall Reign — RED 157

Benediction

Postlude