

Announcements

Wednesday night meal—Join us again on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm for food and fellowship during Dinner Church. All are welcome; invite a friend! Our last Wednesday for the season at Emmanuel will be on May 21st! The ministry will transition to St. James on June 11th.

“Lunch and Fun” at Edison Elementary on Thursdays—Pastor Ben visits with a few young people over the lunch hour and plays board games. The more the merrier! Please touch base with Ben if you would like to join him some Thursday.

Revelation Bible Study Continues this Wednesday—“There’s much more to the story!” A Bible Study for our “Hope that Endures” Worship Series will be offered Wednesday afternoons at St. James at 2 p.m. and Wednesday evenings at Emmanuel at 6:30. (Wednesday evening will be Zoom and in-person)

Confirmation Sunday is May 18th!—Our confirmation class will complete their journey during worship on Sunday, May 18th. Please join the students, teachers, families, and sponsors and we celebrate!

Ordination Celebration Sunday, June 1 at 9:30AM—Join the congregations of Emmanuel and St. James United Methodist churches to celebrate the ordination of Pastor Ben Morris. We will worship together at Emmanuel UMC beginning at 9:30AM with a brunch immediately following. Please RSVP to Jim Justman (920-915-9367) or Marilyn Zylstra (920-731-0845).

Emmanuel Prayer Joys and Concerns

- ♥ For the family of Olivia Geisthardt whose memorial service will be this coming Friday
- ♥ For those serving on Walk to Emmaus teams.
- ♥ For those impacted by storms.
- ♥ For those travelling for the draft.

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Worship as Witness

Revelation 4:1-11

May 4, 2025

Prelude

Welcome — PASTOR BEN MORRIS

Choral Gathering—Christ the Lord Is Risen — BLACK 2116, VS 1—SING TWICE

Call to Worship

Come, people of God gather in the presence
of the One who sits on the throne.

We lift our eyes beyond the chaos and fix our hearts on the Lamb.

Around God's throne, all creation sings,
"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty!"

We join that eternal song with awe and joy:

Honor and glory forever! We come to worship.

Hymn – Holy, Holy, Holy — RED 64

Prayer of Confession — ALL

Holy and Eternal God,

You reign with justice and mercy,

Yet we confess how easily we bow before lesser thrones.

We chase after busyness, fear, and control,

forgetting that You alone are worthy of our worship.

We settle for comfort instead of reverence,

and distraction instead of praise.

Forgive us, Lord.

Re-center our lives on You.

Renew in us a spirit of awe, humility, and joy.

Let our worship bear witness to your power and grace.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray,

Amen

Passing of the Peace

Children's Moment— PASTOR BEN

Scripture — Revelation 4:1-11

God, we thank you for your Word.

The story of your grace.

Sermon — Worship as Witness — PASTOR BEN

Choral Anthem — Here I Am to Worship— CHOIR

Prayer Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Offering

Doxology — RED 95

Offering Prayer

God of Glory and Grace,

All things belong to You, and all honor is Yours.

As the elders cast their crowns before your throne,

we now lay before you these gifts—

signs of our gratitude, trust, and witness.

Use these gifts to shine your light in this world.

Through Christ our Lord,

Amen.

Holy Communion— Choral Setting — BLACK 2257

Music during Communion—Crown Him With Many Crowns — RED 327

Benediction

Postlude