

## Coming this week....

- Bible Study - Tuesday January 26<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm – Thank you Leslie for leading today.
- Watch Pastor Tonia's a "Word on Wednesday" live on FB January 27<sup>th</sup> and catch up on past letters you may have missed, in January's Monthly Newsletter, attached to this email or recorded on our FB Page.
- Watch for more information and an invitation to join Pastor Tonia's Wednesday Zoom Social – Tonia's Fireside Chat @ 7pm. If you do not receive an invitation and would like to join, email Pastor Tonia [toniafisherclarkmt@gmail.com](mailto:toniafisherclarkmt@gmail.com) and she will send you the invite.
- Church Council Meeting – Sunday January 31<sup>st</sup> immediately after church.

### **A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING US**

January 2021 Altar Guild: Kim Behrent

January 2021 Cleaner(s): Joe & Mina Morse, Jean Voldseth, Leslie Mullin & Betty Ames

January Gate Keepers: *Donna Zeigler, Carrie Williams, Steve & Denise Cowan and Larry & Joy Goehner*

Musician(s): Marge Sunvold and Betty Ames

For new prayer requests, please contact **Judy Bjorkman** at 321-2988, text or call or by email at [jdbjorkman@hotmail.com](mailto:jdbjorkman@hotmail.com)

### **PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER...**

For those hospitalized, in nursing homes and homebound, and those battling cancer or other illnesses.

#### **We offer continued prayers for:**

Your continued comfort and strength for the Bjorkman's as they mourn the death of Eric.

Your continued healing God for Barb Potzman, friend of KayDel & Randy Shelton; Bill Fisher, Pastor Tonia's brother; Glenn Perry, Cindy Smith's nephew; Denise Cowan; Roger Mullin; Rick Anderson, Sheri Luepke's brother-in-law; Bill Strickland; Gary Lofing and Jenny Steffenson.

We lift up those living with cancer: Delbert Goehner; Dennis Gauthier; Arvid Barnam, Les Lane and Jim Wilson.

*All countries affected by the Coronavirus/Cofid-19 as they struggle to contain it and treat those who have contracted it. Please guide them; heal those who are afflicted with the virus; watch over their doctors, nurses and first responders; and halt its spread.*

**Please pray for all of those who serve in our military domestically and overseas,  
As well as their spouses and children at home.**



### **Worship Service - Streaming live or watch later!**

**[FB Search: Saint James Lutheran Church of Columbus, Montana](#)**

**We appreciate hearing from all of you joining us online.**

**We would LOVE for you to share your insights or leave us a greeting.**

**We are blessed to count you among those who worship  
at St. James Lutheran Church each Sunday morning.**

## St. James Lutheran Church

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### **January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – Third Sunday after Epiphany**

*Our Mission: "We worship together, grow in faith, share our faith and serve with the love of God"*

Welcome to Worship!

We are glad you have joined us here at St. James Lutheran Church.

*I rejoiced with those who said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD." Ps 122:1*

## Welcome

### Announcements & Opportunities for Serving

Let us stand, as you are able, and prepare our hearts for worship

## GATHERING

### Confession & Forgiveness

*Holy God, you search us and know us. You are acquainted with all our ways. We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin—our own sins and the broken systems that bind us. We turn inward, failing to follow your outward way of love. We distrust those who are not like us. We exploit the earth and its resources and fail to consider generations to come. Forgive us, gracious God, for all we have done and left undone. Even before the words are on our tongues, you know them; receive them in your divine mercy. Amen.*

### Assurance of God's Love

#### Gathering Hymn: "Will You Come and Follow Me"



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call  
2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call  
3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call  
4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call  
5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't  
your name? Will you care for cruel and  
your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners  
your name? Will you quell the fear in -  
my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?  
kind and nev - er be the same?  
free and nev - er be the same?  
side and nev - er be the same?  
you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my  
Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -  
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as  
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the  
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be  
tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
world a - round, through my sight and touch and  
foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"  
pray'r in you and you in me?"  
mean in you and you in me?"  
sound in you and you in me?"  
grow in you and you in me.

## Prayer of the Day:

*Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.*

## WORD

### Hear the 1st Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

<sup>1</sup>The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, <sup>2</sup>“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” <sup>3</sup>So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. <sup>4</sup>Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” <sup>5</sup>And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

<sup>10</sup>When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Word of Wisdom, Word of God. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

### Hear Psalm 62:5-12

<sup>5</sup>For God alone I wait in silence; truly, my hope is in God. <sup>6</sup>God alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken. <sup>7</sup>In God is my deliverance and my honor; God is my strong rock and my refuge. <sup>8</sup>Put your trust in God always, O people, pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge. <sup>9</sup>Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath; those of low estate cannot be trusted. Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath. <sup>10</sup>Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it. <sup>11</sup>God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, that power belongs to God. <sup>12</sup>Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord, for you repay all according to their deeds.

Please stand, as you are able, to welcome the Gospel.

The Holy Gospel according to Mark: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

### Hear the Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

<sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.” <sup>16</sup>As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup>And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” <sup>18</sup>And immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup>As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup>Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

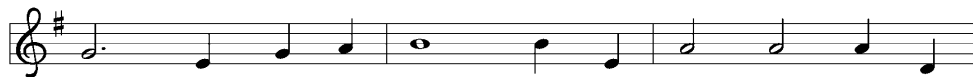
The Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon: “Get Up and Go”

### Hymn for Reflection: “Jesus Calls Us, O’er the Tumult”



1 Je - sus calls us; o’er the tu - mult of our  
2 As of old Saint An - drew heard it by the  
3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the  
4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of  
5 Je - sus calls us! By your mer - cy, Sav - ior,



life’s wild, rest - less sea, day by day his clear voice  
Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and  
vain world’s gold - en store, from each i - dol that would  
toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and  
may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o -



sound - ing, say - ing, “Chris - tian, fol - low me:”  
kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus’ sake.  
keep us, say - ing, “Chris - tian, love me more.”  
plea - sures, “Chris - tian, love me more than these.”  
be - dience, serve and love you best of all.

## ***Apostle's Creed***

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was

conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven. He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## ***Prayers of the People:***

Lord in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

## ***Passing of the Peace***

## **MEAL**

*....we thank you for your faithfulness to St. James in sharing your tithes and offerings and allowing us to do God's work with our hands.*

## ***Offering Prayer***

O God, receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide. Nourish us anew in your tender care, and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace. Amen.

## ***Great Thanksgiving***

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise ...**

*we join their unending hymn:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

## ***Words of Institution***

Mystery of our Faith. **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

## ***The Lord's Prayer***

## ***Invitation to Communion***

*Communion will look a little different during our season of Covid-19.*

*It will still be the Lord's supper.*

We will partake the body of Christ **with Pastor.**

We will partake the blood of Christ **with Pastor.**

***Prayer after Communion.....*** and we say: **Amen**

## **SENDING**

***Blessing.....*** and we say: **Amen.**

## Sending Hymn: "We are Marching in the Light of God"



*Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -*  
We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the



*nyen' kwen - khos'.* *Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',*  
light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,



*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
we are march - ing in the light of God.



*Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) OO*  
We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) OO



*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
we are march - ing in the light of God.



*Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) OO*  
We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) OO



*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
we are march - ing in the light of God.

*Additional stanzas ad lib.:*

We are dancing ...  
We are praying ...  
We are singing ...

## Dismissal:

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ **as we go out to reflect the love of God.**

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