WELCOME to St. James Lutheran Church

Your council, at their May meeting, discussed at length our continued "Love of One Another" at St. James.

Below are the suggested recommendations for our process of Worship each Sunday.....

• The wearing of a mask is now considered "optional" or "your choice".

**Please respect the decision of others, as they choose to wear or not to wear a mask.

Please, if you have concerns re. masks, feel free to continue wearing a mask during the entire service or just when we are singing. If you still do not feel comfortable to attend in person, you have the opportunity to watch FB Live on our FB page or YouTube Live on our webpage.

Also, recorded versions later in the day are available.

**See below for specific details

We ask you to, if you wish.....

PRINT THE ATTACHED BULLETIN...to follow along with Sunday's Service.

As you are worshipping from home,
you are invited to set aside a sacred space for worship.

Light a candle and set out your bread and wine.

Worship Service - Streaming live @ 9:30am or watch later!



Click on image OR
FB Search: Saint James Lutheran Church of Columbus, Montana



Click on image or the link below to be directed to our website: www.lutheranchurchcolumbusmt.org

**Scroll down to "Click here for the St. James YouTube link"

St. James Lutheran Church

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Sunday June 13th, 2021 – 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

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

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

Blessings to all of you, whether you are joining us in the house of God,
joining us by watching the live/recorded service or in spirit and prayer.

Call to Worship Hymn: "This is My Song"



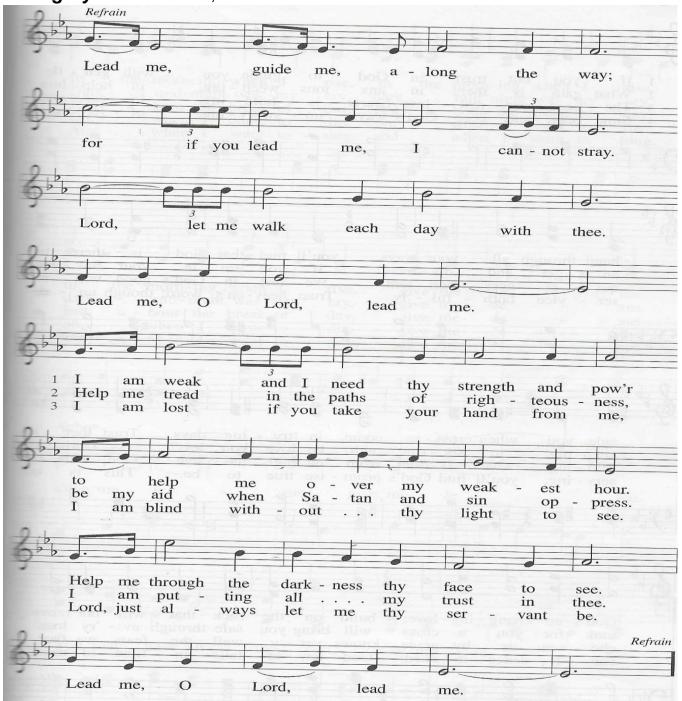
Let us stand, as you are able, and prepare our hearts for worship

Confession & Forgiveness:

Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord- Hear our voices, Lord
We call to You for mercy - Open Your ears, Lord
If You keep count of all our sins, Who could stand?
But there is forgiveness with You, and so we honor You.
We wait for You, O Lord, our souls wait, and in Your word we hope.
More than watchmen wait for the morning Our souls wait for the Lord.
Here is our hope – in the steadfast love of the Lord, and His great saving power.
God alone will save us from all our failings.

Assurance of God's Love

Gathering Hymn: "Lead Me, Guide Me"



Prayer of the Day:

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, so we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

Hear the 1st Reading: Genesis 3:8-15

Adam and Eve heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

15I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

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

Hear the 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13--5:1

¹³Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. ^{5:1}For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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

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

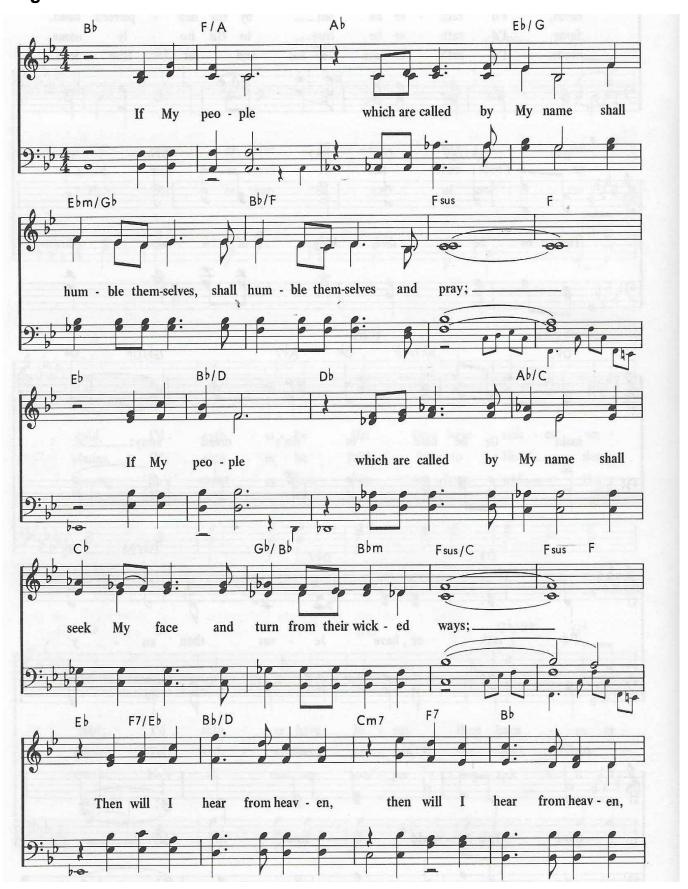
Hear the Reading of the Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

Jesus went home; ²⁰and the crowd came together again, so that Jesus and the disciples could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebub, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. ²⁸"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—³⁰for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." ³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." ³³And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

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

Sermon: "We Do Not Lose Hope"

Hymn for Reflection: "If My People Will Pray" Page 1......



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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

.....and also with you.

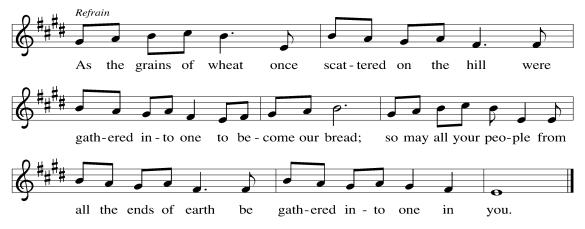
MEAL

....we thank you for your faithful generosity to St. James in sharing your tithes and offerings which allows us to do God's work with our hands.

Offering Prayer

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

The Table is Set Hymn: "As the Grains of Wheat"



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 praisewe 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

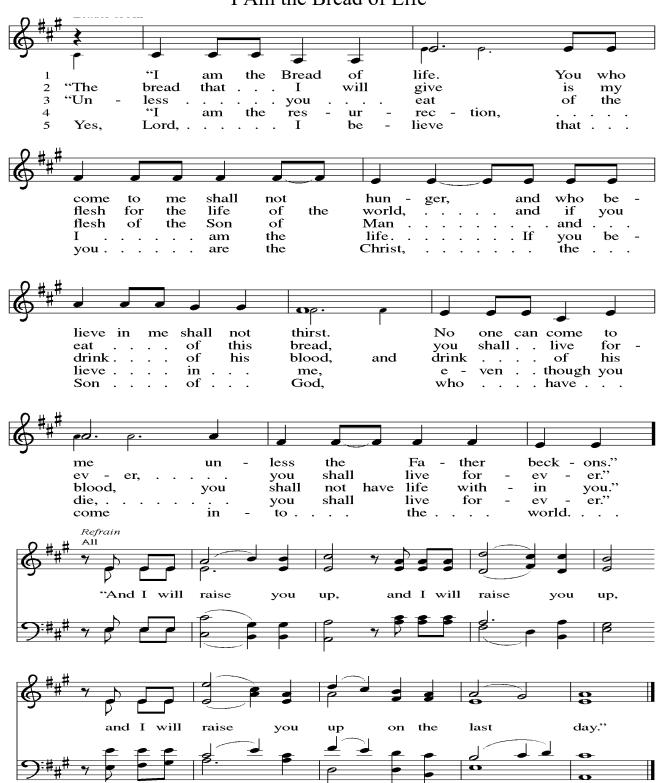
The Lord's Prayer

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

Invitation to Communion

In this meal of bread and wine, we believe Christ is truly present forgiving sin, reconciling us to God and one another, and giving new life. Christ is host. Christ is the one who invites us to the table even while it is properly understood as the meal of the baptized. All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

As communion is distributed, you are invited to sing the following hymns: "I Am the Bread of Life"



"In The Singing"



- 1 In the sing-ing, in the si-lence, in the hands ex-pect-ant, o-pen,
- 2 In the ques-tion, in the an-swer, in the mo-ment of ac-cept-ance,

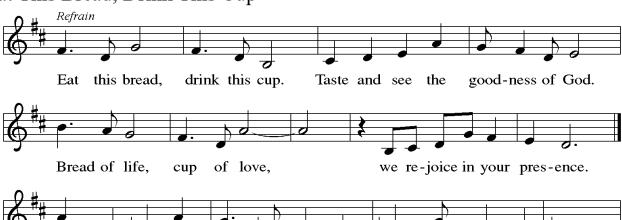


in the bless-ing, in the break-ing, in your pres-ence at this ta-ble, in the heart's cry, in the heal-ing, in the cir-cle of your peo-ple,

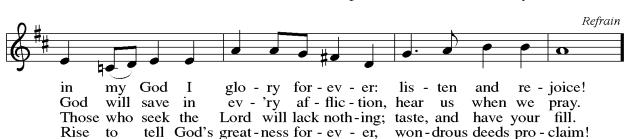




"Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup"



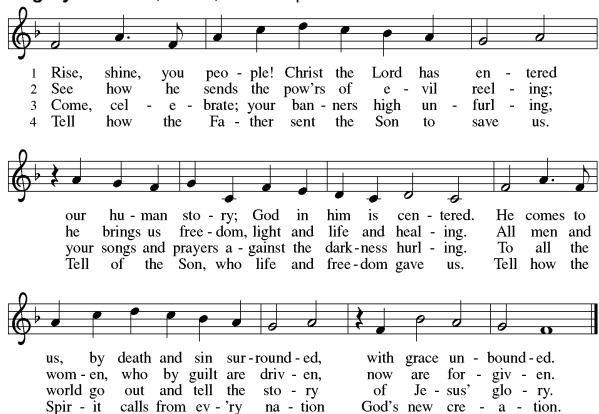
- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;
 - 2 Look up on the Lord, be ra diant, nev er turn a way. 3 An - gels fold their wings a - round us, guard through good and ill.
 - 4 Saints of God, bow down and wor ship, bless the ho ly name.



SENDING

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

Sending Hymn: "Rise, Shine, You People!"



Dismissal:

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ, sent to reflect the Light of Christ.

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Mission Offering for June 2021 benefits...

Columbus Volunteer Fire Department

(In memory of Randy Sekora & Harold Houghton)

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING

June 2021 Altar Guild: Kim Behrent

June 2021 Cleaner(s): RaeEllen Strickland/Chris Fleury and Larry & Joy Goehner

June 2021 Reader(s): Larry & Joy Goehner

June 2021 Usher(s): Thank you Joy for helping 6/6/21 – Rest of June is Carrie Williams.

June 2021 Communion Helper(s): Thank you Carrie Williams for helping 6/6/21

June Gate Keepers: Donna Zeigler, Carrie Williams, Steve & Denise Cowan,

Larry & Joy Goehner, Brian & Sheri Luepke, Chris Fluery & Judy Bjorkman

Musician(s): Marge Sunvold and Betty Ames

Reminders.....

Coming this week....

- Bible Study -Tuesday June 15th @ 2:00pm
- Watch Pastor Tonia's a "Word on Wednesday" live on FB June 16th or recorded on our FB Page or catch up on past letters you may have missed attached to the weekly preparing for worship email.





St. James has INTERNET!

TO CONNECT YOUR DEVICE, PHONE or IPad/TABLET,

CLICK ON - St. James

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Take a few minutes to visit our St. James' Website.

Click on image or the link below to be directed to our website:

www.lutheranchurchcolumbusmt.org **

**Bookmark this page for your own future use

For new prayer requests, please contact Judy Bjorkman at 321-2988, text or call or by email at 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 healing Lord for Patty Sundberg's mother, Joan Elser; Mina's parents, Jean & Gary; Jerry Brown; Victoria Seymour; Zayden Sundberg; Bob Steinberg; Denise Cowan; Vanessa Gneiting Cameron; Evelyn Williams; Clara Wagner; Roger Mullin and Gary Lofing.

We lift up those living with cancer: Jenny Hansen Cheff; Barb Potzman; 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.

"Your faith in God's mission for St. James is unshakeable."

Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

May the Lord bless you and give you peace.

Continued reminder of how to give your monthly tithe or offering to your church.....

- 1. Mail your offering to the church at St. James Lutheran Church, PO Box 356, Columbus, MT, 59019
- 2. Take your envelope offering to Pastor Tonia's parsonage and put in the designated box on her front porch.
- 3. Stop in at your bank and arrange a monthly auto pay transaction.
- 4. Give online through Tithe.ly, a giving app endorsed by the ELCA. Each transaction carries a small fee. Your gift is safe / secure and goes directly to our church or ministry. Plus, you'll be able to track all your gifts, setup recurring, and more!

Tithe.ly (click on this blue "Tithe.ly" link – takes you directly to St. James' account to sign-up) Remember that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever (Hebrews 13:8).

Happy June Birthday

Megan Rouane 6/2; Bill McDonald 6/3; Corey Adams 6/4; Laura Riensche 6/11; Ethan Short 6/12; Joy Goehner 6/13; Donna Zeigler 6/13; Merridy Gauthier 6/15; Abby Makoff 6/15; Mina Morse 6/18; Sandy Yoder 6/18; Bob Rouane 6/28

Happy June Anniversary

Bob & Toni Rouane 6/2; Ken & Mary Hajek 6/14; Ted & Chris Fleury 6/17; Corey & Lindsey Adams 6/18; Bob & Maureen Hemphill 6/19; Dennis & Merridy Gauthier 6/23; Rusty & Nancy Stennerson 6/23; Pete & Amber Lofing 6/25

SPRING has arrived, which leads to budding trees & plants, and green grass that starts to GROW, and GROW and GROW! All of this beautiful foliage leads to mowing in the **SUMMER!!**

If anyone would be willing to help during the summer months, please let a Council Member or Pastor Tonia know. We can come up with a schedule. **Thank you!**



STILL AVAILABLE.....

Get your cookbooks!!
Get your 100th Anniversary etched mugs
And/or wine glasses!!

They are all for sale **NOW!** \$10 each

Pick yours up at church on Sunday or get in touch with Pastor Tonia, Denise or Betty and we will make sure you get a copy or two or three.