WELCOME to St. James Lutheran Church

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!

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facebook.

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

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

To our faithful followers at home or where ever you are, <u>PLEASE</u> let us know you are watching by writing a post or give your name. We'd love to hear from you!

Having Fun with Faith...

We hope you are enjoying the series of "Children's Worship Bulletins", attached to *Every Sunday's Preparing for Worship - Email Bulletin.* Again, you will notice – The Children's Bulletin activities, are available for two age groups (3+ and 7+) and match the same Lessons & Gospel with which WE are also reflecting on during Sunday Worship each week. There is also a unique to our church, SAFE & secure online "secret code" found in their bulletin, which gives you/them access to online games that reinforce the message for the week. These games are geared toward all age levels, so, everyone can join in the fun!

ALSO,

you have an opportunity to ENJOY and share MORE activities throughout the week. *Every Tuesday,* watch for the email with summer activity sheets.

Every Wednesday, watch for the Word(s) on Wednesday email with a copy of Pastor Tonia's weekly message and two Bible Crossword Puzzles.

We hope you have taken the time to CHECK OUT these NEW programs from St. James, have opened the attachments, printed the pages, and ENJOYED the fun! Again, PLEASE FORWARD & SHARE these with your kids, grandkids, friends & friend's friends!!!!!

St. James Lutheran Church

205 E 1st Ave. N. Columbus, MT 59019 *Leader:* Pastor Tonia Fisher (406) 656-9557 Email: toniafisherclarkmt@gmail.com

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

Sunday June 26th, 2022 – 3rd Sunday after Pentecost



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.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you alland also be with you.

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

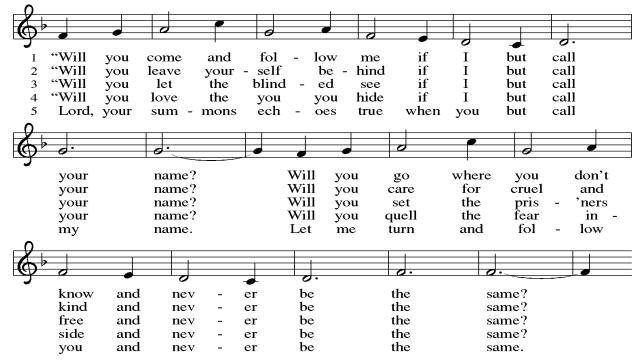
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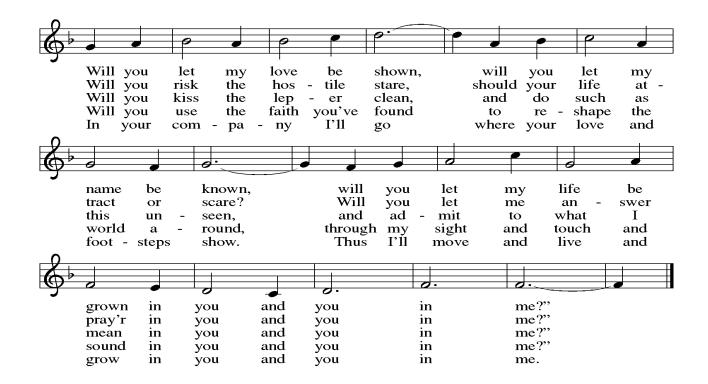
Confession & Forgiveness

Merciful God, we confess we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

Assurance of God's Love

Gathering Hymn: "Will You Come and Follow Me"





Prayer of the Day:

Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, so, leaving behind all which hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

Hear the 1Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

¹⁵Then the LORD said to Elijah, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. ¹⁹So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. ²⁰He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" ²¹He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

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

Read Psalm 16 responsively by whole verse

¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other." ²All my delight is in the godly who are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people. ³But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied. ⁴I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips. ⁵O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot. ⁶My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance. ⁷I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night. ⁸I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken. ⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope. ¹⁰For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit. ¹¹You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Hear the 2nd Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-

indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. ¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

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

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

The Gospel Acclamation:

We sing: Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

The Gospel according to Luke:

We sing the response after the announcement: "Glory to you, O Lord"

Luke 9:51-62

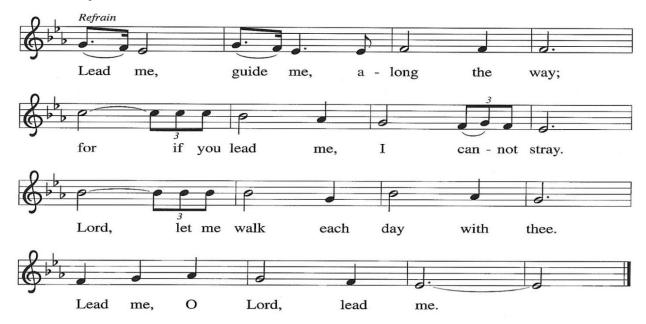
⁵¹When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village. ⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶²Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

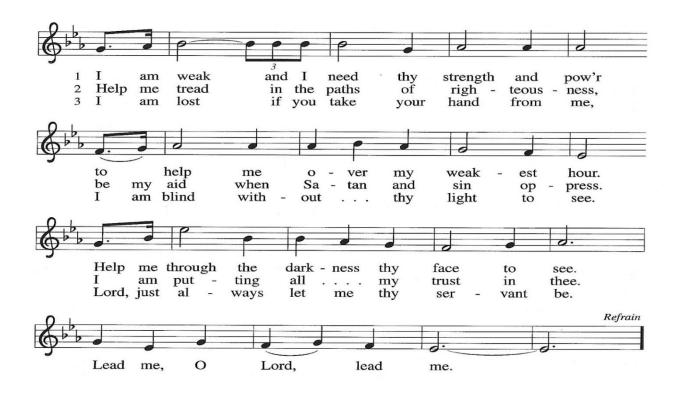
The Gospel of the Lord:

We sing the response after the conclusion: "Praise to you, O Christ"

Sermon: "Directionally Challenged"

Reflection Hymn: "Lead Me, Guide Me"





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

P: In Your Mercy, (C) sings: "Lord, listen to your children praying" after each prayer.
 P: Amen. (C) sings: "Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Passing of the Peaceand we say: and also with you.

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.

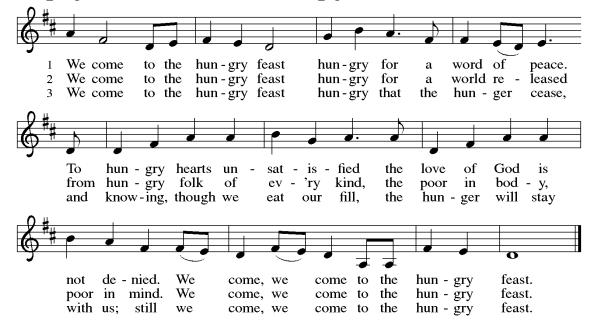
Bread & Wine and Our Gifts are brought forward...... while we sing The Offering Hymn: "Doxology"



Offering Prayer

God of abundance, you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Table Setting Hymn: "We Come to the Hungry Feast"



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:

(*C*) sings: 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

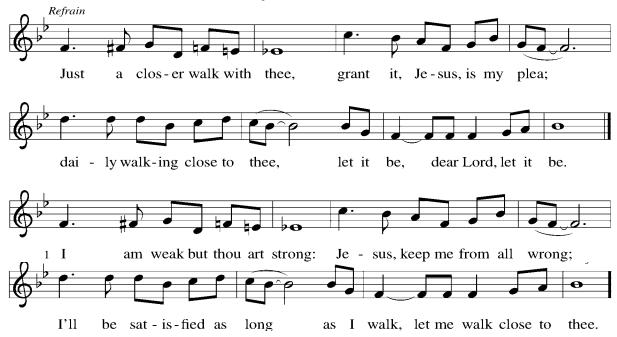
The Lord's Prayer

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

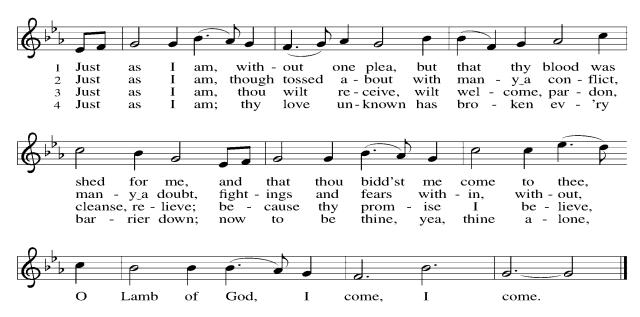
Invitation to Communion

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.

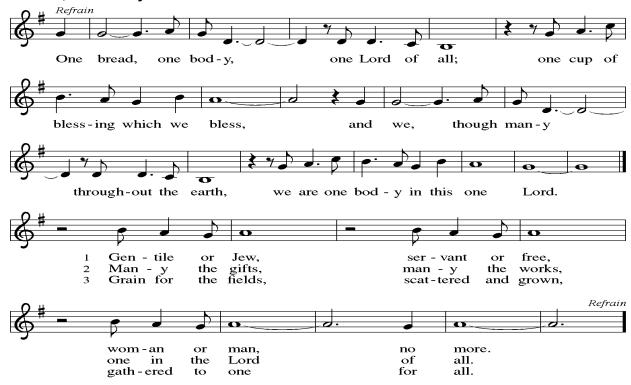
As communion is distributed, you are invited to sing the following hymns: "Just a Closer Walk" Refrain; Vs 1 only; Refrain



"Just As I Am"



"One Bread, One Body"

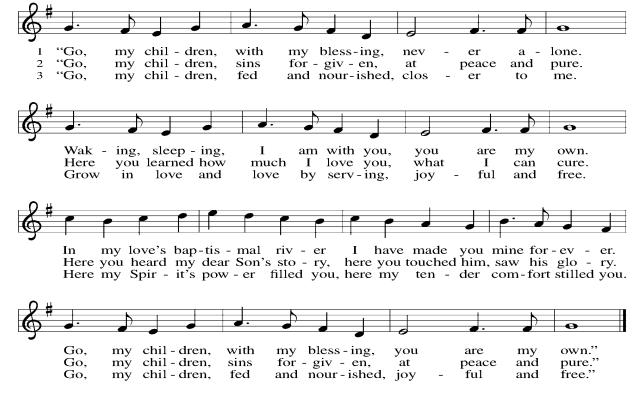


Prayer after Communion..... and we say: Amen.

SENDING

Benediction..... and we say: Amen.

Sending Hymn: "Go My Children"



Dismissal Go in peace. Love your neighbor. Thanks be to God.

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A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING

June 2022 Altar Guild: Denise Cowan June 2022 Cleaner(s): Larry & Joy Goehner and Chris Fleury & Rae Ellen Strickland June 2022 Reader: Pastor Tonia June 2022 Communion Helper(s): Steve & Denise Cowan June 26th, 2022 Usher: Can you help?

Thank you, Larry Goehner for ushering last Sunday. June 26th, 2022 Gate Keeper(s): Leslie Mullin & Rae Ellen Strickland June 2022 Musician(s): Marge Sunvold & Betty Ames

June Mission offering.....

Your continued support benefits
 Columbus Fire & Rescue Department
 In memory of Randy Sekora & Harold Houghton

TOMORROW!

WE CAN USE YOUR HELP

June 25th paint project on the foundation of the church building. The paint has peeled in many areas and needs a fresh new look. Bring your favorite paint brush or roller and paint tray. Wear your old paint clothes and gloves. Primer and paint will be provided. **Starting time will be 9:00 AM.** YES AM.

It goes without saying that if it is raining, we will postpone our party.

Donna Zeigler

We found more treasures

for the taking! Chairs: Take 2 or 4 or 9 or 11 or all 16 any number you need! Entertainment Center: 3 shelves inside; bottom door is missing.

Again, a donation is appreciated \bigcirc Let us know if you're interested!!





SUNDAY June 26th, 2022 – Church Council Meeting immediately after worship. **Upcoming dates:**

- > Wednesday June 29th, 2022 Choir Practice @ St. James 4:00pm
- Thursday June 30th, 2022 St. John's United Summer Concert Series starts
 ** See poster below for details. Future dates for concerts are 7/7; 7/14; 7/21; 7/28.
- > Monday July 4th,2022 Happy Independence Day



- Saturday July 9th, 2022 Summer Block Party @ Stillwater Youth Center Fun starts @ 5pm! **See poster below for more information......
- Sunday July 10th,2022 Pastor Tom Schlotterback from St. John's United
 ~ He will share his message during worship. Please stay for Q & A fellowship after worship.
- > Sunday July 10th Saturday 16th, 2022 Stillwater County 4 -H/FFA Fair
- Sunday July 17th,2022 Shakespeare in the Parks: "Twelfth Night" 6:30pm @ Heritage Park
- > Sunday July 17th,2022 Baptism of Quincy Kay Davis, daughter of

Carli & Rob Davis; Granddaughter of Kristi & Greg Lofing.

> Sunday July 31st, 2022 – Church Council Meeting immediately after worship.

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 & Lindsay Adams 6/18; Bob & Maureen Hemphill 6/19; Rusty & Nancy Stennerson 6/23; Pete & Amber Lofing 6/25

Thank you for your prayers and generosity. May the Lord bless you and give you peace. "Your faith in God's mission for St. James is unshakeable."

FYI: At the annual meeting held Jan 16th, 2022,

\$96,100 was the yearly approved 2022 budget ÷ 12 months = \$8,008.33 needed each month.

FOR YOUR REVIEW AND PRAYER.....

June 5 th Offering gratefully received	\$1,415.00
June 12 th Offering gratefully received	\$2,425.00
June 19 th Offering gratefully received	<u>\$1,290.00</u>
June Total so far: \$5,130.00	

**Our 2022 monthly budget to meet is \$ 8,008.33

Jan (\$634.43) + Feb (\$1,718.33) + Mar (\$3,428.33) + Apr (\$1,868.33) + May \$6,476.91 = <u>YTD UNDER Monthly Budget of (\$1,172.51)</u>

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!

<u>Tithe.ly</u> (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).

For new prayer requests, please contact **Pastor Tonia.** Text or call her at (406) 656-9557 or email her at <u>toniafisherclarkmt@gmail.com</u>

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 healing and wisdom Lord for Pastor Tonia; Pete Hegg; Bev Kem; Pastor Kim Wilker's daughter, Eva; Woody DeHaven; Steve Cowan; Zane & Brandon Fluery; Ted Fluery; Gary Lofing; Kyme Noble; Victoria Seymour and Woody DeHaven.
- Those living with cancer: Bob Rouane; Roger Mullin; Shane DeHaven; Mary Ann Conners; Aracelii Enano; Ashley Foster; Jenny Hansen Cheff; Rick Cox; Delbert Goehner; Les Lane; Jim Wilson and Sandy Yoder's daughter in law, Lola.

Those affected in our surrounding area by the recent flooding & the needs for its clean-up & lasting effects. Those with COVID and those dealing with its lasting effects.

Ukraine and her people

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

UTHERAN SUMMER - PROJECT WORLD RELIEF FABRIC KITS

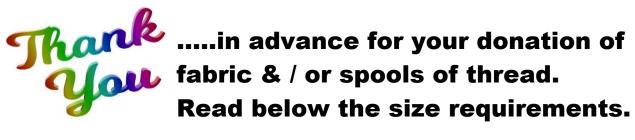
Lutheran World Relief provides for our personal involvement in uplifting people around the world.

Central & South America, Africa, the Middle East and Europe.

"Sewing is a valuable skill that can help men & women earn reliable income".

LWR promotes sewing kits as well as other kits that help in the daily lives of people in those countries.

The Church Council would like to invite you to donate fabric that you may not be using (cotton or cotton blend only). In addition to fabric, spools of thread are needed in 250-300 (yards each). If you can donate fabric and/or thread, please pick up a sheet of requirements after church during the month of June. We will promote this campaign this summer and be ready to ship these kits to Lutheran World Relief this fall. If you have any questions, please call Donna at 406-322-4452. If I don't answer, please leave a message so I can get back with you. This is a good time to clean out that fabric you haven't used but find it hard to let go of them and instead put them to good use through the Lutheran World Relief. Donna Zeigler



Fabric Kits

Sewing is a valuable skill that can help men and women earn reliable income. Fabric Kits provide fabric and thread for vocational training programs teaching sewing, and for newly trained tailors to launch their sewing businesses.

Please review the General Assembly instructions on Page 1 before assembling Fabric Kits.

Include the following items in each Fabric Kit:

- Two pieces of cotton or cotton-blend fabric (no knits or 100% polyester). Each piece should match one of the sizes below. Pieces do not need to match:
 - 2 ¼ yards of 58"-62" wide fabric, or
 - 3 yards of 42"-45" wide fabric, or
 - 4 yards of 34"-37" wide fabric
 - Two spools of matching or neutralcolored general purpose thread, 250–300 yards each

Visit **Iwr.org/kitvideos** to watch a video with tips and tricks for assembling Fabric Kitel

Community Events for St. James:

- Every Monday we are invited:
 - ~ To join us for coffee and visiting from 8-11am at the Stillwater Youth Center.
- Every Tuesday we are invited to attend:

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- ~ The Women's Adult Group at the Stillwater Youth Center at 9:30am and/or 7:00pm for an inductive study on Revelation
- Absarokee Quilting Group 10am in the basement of the Cobblestone building. Knitters, crocheters and embroiderests are welcome.
- Every Wednesday we are invited to attend:
 - ~Social Hour at the Columbus Senior Center at 9:30am
- Every Thursday we are invited to attend:
 - ~ To join us for coffee and visiting from 8-11am at the Stillwater Youth Center.
 - ~The Men's group at the Stillwater Youth Center at 7pm for a bible study of Acts.
 - ~The NEW Walking Group formed by UCC. Gather @ 8:30am @ the little Stone Church. All are Welcome! Coffee & rolls will follow at 9:15am



This Week's Events:

Wednesday June 29th – Summer Storytime w/Ms. Lisa 10:30–11:00am Saturday July 2nd – Drop-in Craft Time! Patriotic Centerpiece! 9:30-5:00pm Friday July 8th – Dungeons and Dragons for Ages 17+ Pre-registration required, 10:00 – 2:00

Mark your calendars -Concerts START June 30th @ 7pm

1st concert will take place at "The Crossings" in Laurel

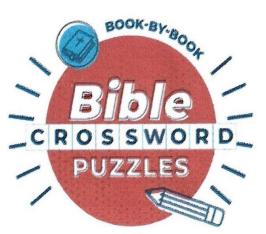
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THIS WEEKS ANSWERS:

** Check Wednesday 6/22 Email for these puzzles



NUMBERS

- 1. Census
- 2. Lie
- 3. Israel
- 4. Joseph
- 5. Donkey
- 6. Passover
- 7. Egyptians
- 8. Twenty
- 9. Sihon
- 10. Miriam
- 11. Zelophehad

JOHN

- 1. Darkness
- 2. Mother
- 3. Samaria
- 4. Bethesda
- 5. Tiberias
- 6. Shepherd
- 7. Lazarus
- 8. Father
- 9. Betrayer
- 10. Gardener