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!



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"

To our faithful followers at home or where ever you are, PLEASE 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 Weekly Preparing for Worship Email. 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 or Thursday, 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!!!!



Reminder.....

GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS at St. James!!

We are again providing the St. James "Taxi" Service from Meadowlark to Church, this time for Jo Lind.

Signed up for this Sunday 10/2 is Betty Ames.

Please give her a call on Saturday and again on Sunday morning @ (406) 322-4497 to let her know what time you will be arriving to pick her up. She is living in Suite #13.



Looking for a recipe..... "Chocolate Chip Oatmeal Cookies"

SDWLDWL (Bev; Leslie; Chris; Kim; Rae Ellen; Donna; Sheri; Joy; Maureen;

Anna; Denise; Patty; Mina or Kristi) brought them on Sunday Sept. 11th for

the God's Work, Our Hands plates! Please share the recipe!!!!



This Sunday October 2nd, 2022 –



Pastor Appreciation Sunday



Combined Choir from St. James/UCC will sing!

Reminder:

Choir members, please arrive at 9am for a brief practice. Thanks.

Pastor Tonia,

We said a prayer for you today and know God must have heard. We felt the answer in our heart although He spoke no word. We didn't ask for wealth or fame, we knew you wouldn't mind. We asked Him to send treasurers of a far more lasting kind. We asked that He'd be near you at the start of each new day. To grant you health and blessings and friends to share your way. We asked for happiness for you in all things great and small. But it was for His loving care of you, we prayed the most of all.



St. James was very lucky when you answered our NEED for a supply Pastor in July, 2011. You worshipped with us continually through the end of that year.

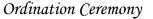
In 2012, you became our Vicar and served our church full time, while you diligently studied to become an ordained minister!!

June 5th, 2016, was a very special date for both St. James and for YOU!

A few memories of when it "officially" began.....



Surrounded in Prayer





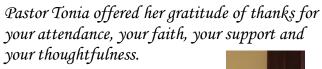
Congratulations! Pastor Tonia



Tonia's two churches, King of Glory and St. James hosted a wonderful celebration and reception after the ordination service.

On September 18th, 2016, St. James celebrated Pastor Tonia accepting her "Call" to St. James Lutheran Church.

Bishop Crist, Pastors Robert Leaverton and Tom Schlotterback offered blessings and affirmation of her call to St. James.











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 October 2nd, 2022 – 17th Sunday after Pentecost



Welcome, Announcements & Opportunities for Serving

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.

Call to Worship: "How Can I Keep from Singing?"

Combined Choir from St. James & Congregational Church

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

GATHERING

Confession & Forgiveness

God of mercy and forgiveness, we confess sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path which leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

Assurance of God's Love

Gathering Hymn: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

- Vs 1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!

 Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away, oh, let me from this day be wholly thine!
- Vs 2 May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my love to thee pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!
- Vs 3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide; bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away, nor let me ever stray from thee aside.
- Vs 4 When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold, sullen stream shall o'er me roll; blest Savior, then, in love fear and distrust remove; oh, bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!

Prayer of the Day:

Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, so with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

Hear the 1st Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

¹The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. ²O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? ³Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. ⁴So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous— therefore judgment comes forth perverted. ²¹¹I will stand at my watch post, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. ²Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so a runner may read it. ³For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. ⁴Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

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

Read Psalm 37:1-9 responsively by whole verse

¹Do not be provoked by evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong. ²For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away. ³Put your trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture. ⁴Take delight in the LORD, who shall give you your heart's desire. ⁵Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD and see what God will do. ⁶The LORD will make your vindication as clear as the light and the justice of your case like the noonday sun. ⁶Be still before the LORD and wait patiently. Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes. [®]Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads only to evil. [®]For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who hope in the LORD shall possess the land.

Hear the 2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, ²To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. ³I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers, night and day. 4Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. ⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. ⁶For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; ⁷ for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. 8Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, 9who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, ¹² and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. 13 Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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 17:5-10

⁵The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" ⁶The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. ⁷"Who

among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? *Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? *Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? *10So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'

The Gospel of the Lord:

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

Sermon: "What You See is What You Get"

Reflection Hymn: "Be Still My Soul"



Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. 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.

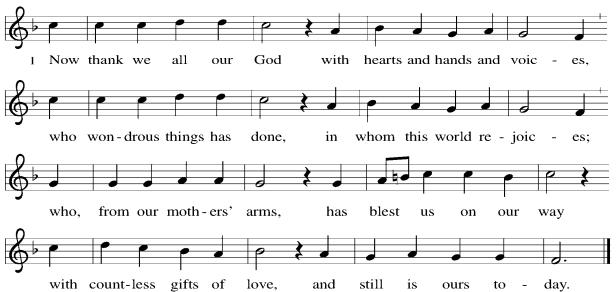
Passing of the Peace

.....and 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.

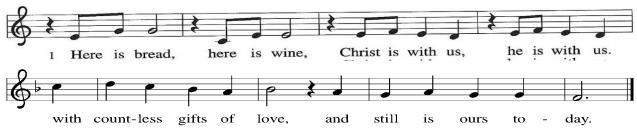
Bread & Wine and Our Gifts are brought forward...... while we sing **The Offering Hymn: "Now Thank We All Our God"**



Offering Prayer

Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

Table Setting Hymn: "Here is Bread"



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:

"Beautiful Savior"

- Vs 1 Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man!

 Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee, light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
- Vs 2 Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in flow'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.
- Vs 3 Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright the sparkling stars on high; Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky.
- Vs 4 Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!

"Just As I Am"

- Vs 1 Just as I am, without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- Vs 2 Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

- Vs 3 Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come,
- Vs 4 Just as I am; thy love unknown has broken ev'ry barrier down; now to be thine, yea, thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

Vs 1 Let us break bread together on our knees; let us break bread together on our knees.

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

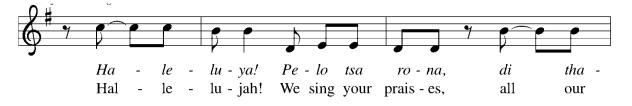
- Vs 2 Let us drink wine together on our knees; let us drink wine together on our knees. Refrain
- Vs 3 Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees. Refrain

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

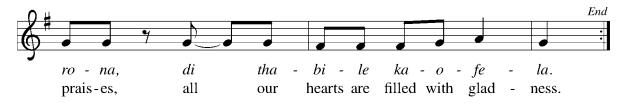
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Benediction..... and we say: Amen.

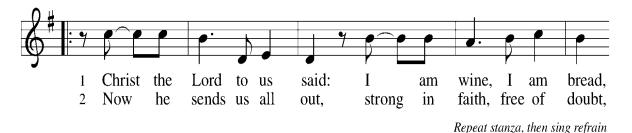
Sending Hymn: "Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises"







**DO NOT REPEAT THIS REFRAIN





THEN SING VERSE TWO, TWICE: BACK TO REFRAIN.

Dismissal Go in peace, with Christ beside you. Thanks be to God.

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Please stay for fellowship after worship on Sunday to celebrate with OUR PASTOR, Tonia Fisher!!!

Thank you, Donna Zeigler for the refreshments!!

ALSO: ** St. James will have a service and visit the residents at Meadowlark 2pm & Beartooth 3pm and would love you to help. Join Pastor Tonia for this wonderful service.

October Mission offerings.....

~ Your continued support benefits Kruzin' 4 Seniors



Kruizin' 4 Seniors' mission is to give back and brighten the lives of area elderly by fulfilling wishes primarily at Christmas, but also throughout the rest of the year.

Also, we are collecting..... for Project Hope Holiday Food Boxes

Canned Pineapple (chunks or rings – no crushed)

& Canned Mandarin Oranges!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING

October 2022 Altar Guild: Sheri Luepke

October 2022 Cleaner(s): Lance & Patty Sundberg and Bob & Maureen Hemphill

October 2022 Reader(s): Randy & KayDel Shelton

October 2nd,2022 Communion Helper(s): Brian & Sheri Luepke

Thank you, Brian & Sheri Luepke for helping with communion last Sunday

October 2nd.2022 Usher(s): Larry Goehner

Thank you, Chris Fleury for ushering last Sunday.

October 2nd,2022 Gate Keepers: Joy Goehner & Brian Luepke

2022 Musician(s): Marge Sunvold & Betty Ames

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......

September 4 th Offering gratefully received	\$ 962.00
September 11 th Offering gratefully received	\$1,710.00
September 18 th Offering gratefully received	\$1,485.00
September 25 th Offering gratefully received	<u>\$2,419.00</u>
	41 40 550

Total received this month \$6,576.00

**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 + June \$(2,613.33) + July (2,248.33) + August (\$2,250.33) + September (\$1,432.33) =

YTD UNDER Monthly Budget by negative (\$9,716.83)

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
- Take your envelope offering to Pastor Tonia's parsonage and put in the designated box on her front porch.
 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 vesterday and today and forever (Hebrews 13:8).



Happy October Birthday

Justin Lofing 10/3; Leslie Mullin 10/3; BJ Morse 10/5; Toni Rouane 10/9; Brian Luepke 10/10; Joni Morse 10/20; Pastor Tonia Fisher 10/23; Ken Hajek 10/24; Molly Adams 10/25; Mary Hajek 10/26



While Tonia is on Sabbatical, for new prayer requests, please contact **Betty Ames**. Text or call (406) 671-0090 or email btyames@yahoo.com

I will then get ahold of Donna Zeigler and Robert & Susan Leaverton to relay your requests.

PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER...

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

We offer new prayers for:

Roger Mullin is now on palliative care. Rick Cox is having side effects from his cancer treatments. Vi Ekle who continues to recover from Covid which has caused her to lose her hearing and is so congested, she is having trouble swallowing. We lift our friends up to you, Lord for comfort, peace & strength. We thank you for Your presence on their individual journeys.

We offer continued prayers for:

Your healing and wisdom Lord for Bob & Bev Kem; Vi Ekle; Bonny Rouse; Joy Goehner; Pete Hegg; Pastor Kim Wilker's daughter, Eva; Woody DeHaven; Steve Cowan; Zane Fluery; Gary Lofing; Kyme Noble; Victoria Seymour.

Those living with cancer: Pastor Tonia; Bob Rouane; Roger Mullin; Shane DeHaven; Mary Ann Conners; Aracelii Enano; Ashley Foster; Jenny Hansen Cheff; Shane Fouhy; Rick Cox; Delbert Goehner; Les Lane; Jim Wilson and Sandy Yoder's daughter in law, Lola.

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.





SUMMER PROJECT -FABRIC KITS





.....for the wonderful donation of fabric & / or spools of thread. Sheri Luepke, Donna Zeigler and Joy Goehner for putting the kits together!!



OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES TO REFLECT GOD'S LOVE TO EACH OTHER AND TO OUR NEIGHBORS

REMINDERS:

- > Every Tuesday or Thursday "Having Fun with Faith" email with Activity Sheets.
- Every Wednesday Watch Pastor Tonia's "Word on Wednesday" message on FB or open the Word(s) on Wednesday email with a copy of Pastor Tonia's weekly message and two Bible Crossword Puzzles.
- Every Friday or Saturday The Weekly Preparing for Worship email arrives in your inbox with the bulletin for the upcoming Sunday Worship service and, also, the "Children's Worship Bulletins" series for you to open & enjoy and share with your family & friends.

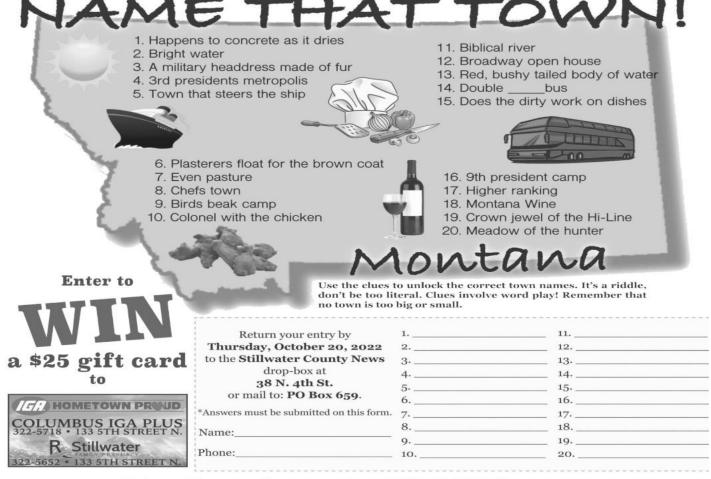
FUTURE DATES:

➤ Wednesday October 5th,2022 – Choir Practice @ UCC 4:00pm

EVERYONE COULD USE A FREE GIFT CARD FROM THE COLUMBUS IGA – RIGHT?? **Thought I'd share this opportunity with you in case you do not receive the Stillwater News!!

PRINT this page or PICK UP A COPY AT CHURCH ENTER TO WIN by THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20TH!!

Drop off or Send to the Stillwater County News (see below for address)



Saturday October 22nd,2022



- Sunday October 30th,2022 Reformation Sunday
- > Sunday November 6th,2022 All Saints Sunday
- ** Please let Donna Zeigler know of any loved ones who have passed this year!!

Also.... Sunday November 6th:





Dwelling in the Word

Join in a 30-minute Zoom conversation with others around the Montana Synod for a time of "Dwelling in the Word", a practice of listening to a passage of scripture and pondering what the Holy Spirit might be saying to each person during the time together. Since March of 2020, DEM Peggy Paugh Leuzinger and others in the Synod have joined in this time to pray, converse, and support one another. The same Zoom link with be used for the rest of 2022. Please save the link to your calendar to use each week or as often as you are able to join.

Topic: Dwelling in the Word every Thursday 8:30 am

Every week on Thu, until Dec 29, 2022, 18 occurrence(s)

To Join Zoom Meeting: Click on the link below:

https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/84336859392?pwd=QXR1ZXNCSjFuZTJQaUZHWWVmK3F6QTo9

Meeting ID: 843 3685 9392

Passcode: 740661

MORE 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:
 - ~ 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 embroideretts 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.
 - ~ Columbus Farmers Market Granite Peak Park 4:00pm



Upcoming Future Library Events:

"Book Sale" Week – Saturday Sept. 24th – Wednesday Oct. 5th
During business hours 9:00am – 5:30pm

Wyoming Author, Mark Spragg - Saturday, October 8th
2:30pm - 4:00pm Mark will share portions of his new book,
"Beautiful When It's Mine"

THIS WEEKS ANSWERS:

** Check Wednesday 9/28 e-mail for these puzzles



Job

- 1. Satan
- 2. Redeemer
- 3. Praised
- 4. Foundation
- 5. Curse
- 6. Ground
- 7. Trouble
- 8. Hope
- 9. Behemoth
- 10. NONE

Philemon

- 1. Onesimus
- 2. Voluntary
- 3. Brother
- 4. Useless
- 5. NONE
- 6. Prisoner (across)
- 6. Philemon (down)
- 7. Partners
- 8. Forever
- 9. Epaphras



Thanks Joy Goehner!
Just Beautiful!

