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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**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 Bible Printable 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 10/23 is Carrie & Evelyn Williams

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.

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 (chunky or rings – no crushed)

& Canned Mandarin Oranges!

St. James Lutheran Church

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Our Mission: "We worship together, grow in faith,

share our faith and serve with the love of God"

Sunday October 23rd, 2022 – 20th 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 Hymn: "God, We See What You Have Given"

to the tune of "Come, Thou Fount"

- Vs 1 God, we see what you have given; Signs of grace are everywhere!
 All around are gifts from heaven Gifts enough for all to share.
 We are stewards of your bounty, called to give as we've received;
 And your blessings have been plenty from the day we first believed.
- Vs 2 We are stewards of the richness that you send from heav'n above. For in Christ, you gave up greatness, humbly showing us your love. In a manger gift from heaven! On a cross with love and pain! You proclaimed we are forgiven; Now you send us in your name.
- Vs 3 We are stewards of your welcome that you showed through Christ the Son. In his living and his teaching, Jesus welcomed everyone.

 To the outcast and the stranger, He showed hospitality!

 By your Spirit, may we also give the welcome we've received.
- Vs 4 We are stewards, sent out sharing, offering you our very best.

 Through our serving and our caring may we give as we've been blessed.

 God of love, may faithful living be much more than Sunday talk.

 Send us loving, serving, giving; Help us daily walk your walk!

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: "I Love to Tell the Story"

Vs 1 I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love. I love to tell the story, because I know it's true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

Refrain

I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

- Vs 2 I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!

 I love to tell the story, for some have never heard the message of salvation from God's own holy word. *Refrain*
- Vs 3 I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.

 And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song, I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long. *Refrain*

Prayer of the Day:

Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

Hear the 1st Reading: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

⁷Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you. ⁸O hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler turning aside for the night? ⁹Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help? Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us! ¹⁰Thus says the LORD concerning this people; Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet; therefore, the LORD does not accept them, now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins. ¹⁹Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so there is no healing for us? We look for peace but find no good; for a time of healing, but there is terror instead. ²⁰We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you. ²¹Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. ²²Can any idols of the nation's bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Is it not you, O LORD our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.

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

Read Psalm 84:1-7 responsively by whole verse

¹How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! ²My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. ³Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my king and my God. ⁴Happy are they who dwell in your house! They will always be praising you. ⁵Happy are the people whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way. ⁶Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of springs, for the early rains have covered it with pools of water. ¹They will climb from height to height, and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

Hear the 2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

⁶As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. ¹⁶At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! ¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it . So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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 18:9-14

⁹Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' ¹³But the

tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

The Gospel of the Lord:

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

Sermon by Pastor Peggy Paugh Leuzinger

Reflection Hymn: "Here I Am, Lord"



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

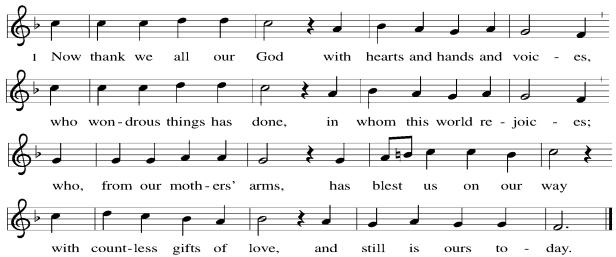
P: In Your Mercy, (C) sings: "Lord, listen to your children praying" after each prayer.
P: Amen. (C) sings: "Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

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.

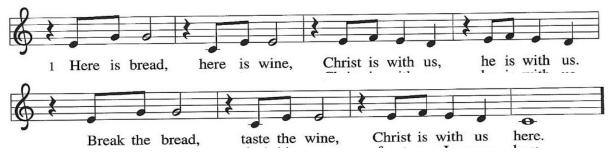
Bread & Wine and Our Gifts are brought forward...... while we sing The Offering Hymn: "Now Thank We All Our God"



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:

"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

"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.

SENDING

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

Sending Hymn: "What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"



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

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While Pastor Tonia is on Sabbatical,

Please direct any pastoral emergency needs to: Donna Zeigler (406) 322-4452 (h) or (406) 321-4452 (c) or to our friends:

Pastor Robert Leaverton (406) 321-2980 (c) and Susan Leaverton (406) 321-1711.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING

Leader(s) for October 23rd,2022 – Pastor Peggy Paugh Leuzinger & Donna Zeigler, LPA
** Please stay after worship for a thank you reception for our leaders.

Note: Thank you Betty Ames for the wonderful goodies last Sunday.

October 2022 Altar Guild: Kim Behrent

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

October 2022 Reader(s): Randy & KayDel Shelton

October 23rd,2022 Communion Helper(s): Kim Behrent and Chris Fleury

Thank you, Susan Leaverton and Sheri Luepke for helping with communion last Sunday

October 23rd,2022 Usher(s): Larry Goehner

Thank you, Larry Goehner for ushering last Sunday.

October 23rd,2022 Gate Keepers: Chris Fleury & Joy Goehner

2022 Musician(s): Marge Sunvold & Betty Ames

A BIG thank you to Betty Ames & Marge Sundvold for the special music last Sunday during church service.

Thank you, Leslie and Roger Mullin for the bulletin board displays each month.



If you have fabric for the LWR Fabric Kits, this Sunday is the last time to bring it to the church. The kits are being packaged for shipment. Call me if you need your fabric donation picked up (406-322-4452).

Thank you for your support of this mission project. Donna Zeigler

We give gratitude to all who brought fabric & thread and to the ladies who prepared it for packaging.

Pastor Peggy Paugh Leuzinger will be offering a blessing this Sunday for these kits that will go to recipients somewhere in the world.

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."

FOR YOUR REVIEW AND PRAYER.....

October 2nd Offering gratefully received \$2,220.00 October 9th Offering gratefully received \$1,995.00 October 16th Offering gratefully received \$615.00

Total received so far this month \$4,830.00

**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 (\$1,868.33) =

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
- 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 vesterday and today and forever (Hebrews 13:8).



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 **Donna Zeigler or Betty Ames.**Text or call (406) 321-4452 for Donna or (406) 671-0090 for Betty.

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. May he feel God's comfort and presence. Prayer for comfort and strength for Leslie as she cares for Roger as they walk this road in faith with God.

Denise Cowan. She was admitted to the hospital to monitor her high blood pressure. Please offer prayers for Denise and Steve as they face this medical situation.

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.

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 26th,2022 Choir Practice @ UCC 4:00pm
- Sunday October 30th,2022 Reformation Sunday & Combined Choir will sing! Church Council Meeting @ 11:00am after fellowship!!

** Please let Donna Zeigler know of any loved ones who have passed this year!!



Also.... Sunday November 6th:

- Sunday November 20th,2022 COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE 4:00pm @ the Assembly of God Church
- Thursday November 24th,2022





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:

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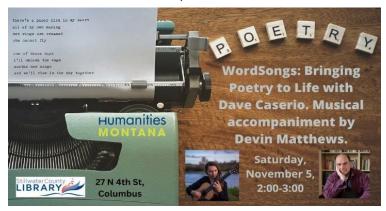
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MORE Community Events for St. James:

- 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.

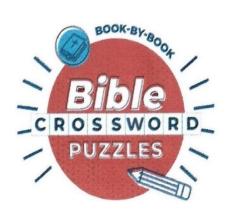
- Every Wednesday we are invited to attend:
 - ~Social Hour at the Columbus Senior Center at 9:30am
- Every Thursday we are invited to attend:
 - ~ To join us for coffee and visiting from 8-11am at the Stillwater Youth Center.
 - ~The Men's group at the Stillwater Youth Center at 7pm for a bible study of Acts.
 - ~ Columbus Farmers Market Granite Peak Park 4:00pm

Stillwater County Library...



THIS WEEKS ANSWERS:

** Check Wednesday 10/19 e-mail for these puzzles



Ecclesiastes

- 1. Heavens
- Remembered
- Labor
- 4. Dance
- 5. Commandments
- 6. Labors
- 7. Beginning
- 8. Again
- Crooked
- 10. King
- 11. Comforter

1 Peter

- 1. Answer
- 2. Possession
- 3. Sins
- 4. Righteousness
- 5. Devour
- 6. Serve
- 7. NONE
- 8. Ancestors (across)
- 8. Anxiety (down)
- 9. Example
- 10. Imperishable

Simple Reminders.... Serve
one another
with whatever
gift
each of you
has received.
1 Peter 4:10