

# 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 each 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!

We hope you have taken the time to CHECK OUT this NEW program 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

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

## Sunday April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

### **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 all .....and also be with you.*

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

### **GATHERING**

#### **THANKSGIVING for BAPTISM**

.....Amen.

#### **Gathering Hymn: "Christ is Alive"**



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands  
2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,  
4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the  
5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,  
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet  
Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the  
this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.  
loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.  
life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.  
o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

### **Prayer of the Day:**

O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## **WORD**

### **Hear the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 5:27-32**

<sup>27</sup>When they had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, <sup>28</sup>saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." <sup>29</sup>But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. <sup>30</sup>The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup>God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup>And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

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

### **Read Psalm 118:1-2, 14-29 responsively by whole verse**

<sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength and my song and has become my salvation. <sup>15</sup>**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"** <sup>16</sup>*The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"* <sup>17</sup>**I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.** <sup>18</sup>*The LORD indeed punished me sorely but did not hand me over to death.* <sup>19</sup>**Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.** <sup>20</sup>*"This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."* <sup>21</sup>**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.** <sup>22</sup>*The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.* <sup>23</sup>**By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.** <sup>24</sup>*This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.* <sup>25</sup>**Hosanna! O LORD, save us! We pray to you, LORD, prosper our days!** <sup>26</sup>Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD; we bless you from the house of the LORD. <sup>27</sup>**The LORD is God and has given us light. Form a procession with branches up to the corners of the altar.** <sup>28</sup>You are my God, and I will thank you; you my God, and I will exalt you. <sup>29</sup>**Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.**

### **Hear the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Revelation 1:4-8**

<sup>4</sup>John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup>and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup>and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. <sup>7</sup>Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. <sup>8</sup>"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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 John:**

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

## **John 20:19-31**

<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." <sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." <sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

### **The Gospel of the Lord:**

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

### **Sermon: "Locked Doors" Donna Zeigler, LPA**

### **Reflection Hymn: "When Thomas Heard from Jesus"**

*(to the tune of "The Church's One Foundation")*

Vs 1 When Thomas heard from Jesus, "Now come and follow me,"  
He surely went with gladness, for there was much to see.  
He witnessed Jesus' teaching and saw his healing touch;  
He found a faith to guide him, a friend he loved so much.

Vs 2 When Jesus spoke of heaven, bold Thomas dared to say,  
"We don't know where you're going! How can we know the way?"  
He wanted understanding of what he could not see.  
Then Jesus reassured him, "The way is here — through me."

Vs 3 When crowds began to murmur and leaders raised their cry,  
Brave Thomas spoke out firmly, "Let's go with him and die."  
He ate at Jesus' table, partaking wine and bread;  
Yet later with the others, he saw the cross and fled.

Vs 4 What joy on Easter evening when many saw the Lord!  
Yet Thomas was not with them and would not trust their word.  
When Christ appeared before him, his doubts were quickly gone;  
He gladly knew that evening the joy of Easter dawn.

Vs 5 That man of faith saw Jesus at breakfast by the sea;  
At Pentecost he witnessed so others would believe.  
O Lord, may we — like Thomas — keep growing day by day;  
Increase our faith and guide us, for Lord, you are the Way.

## **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 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: "We are an Offering"**

We lift our voice-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an

of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voice-es, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our

lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,

all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.


We lift our voice-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:

we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

## Offering Prayer

*Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, so we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.*

## Table Setting Hymn: "Create in Me a Clean Heart"



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right  
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take  
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of  
your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

## 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:

**“Jesus Christ is Risen Today; Alleluia!”**



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

**“Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia!”**



1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 Christ, the vic - tim un - de - filed, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Chris - tians, on this ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!



Chris - tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!  
sin - less in the sin - ner's stead. Al - le - lu - ia!  
God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled, Al - le - lu - ia!  
all your grate - ful hom - age pay; Al - le - lu - ia!



of - fer praise with love re - plete, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 when con - tend - ing death and life, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!

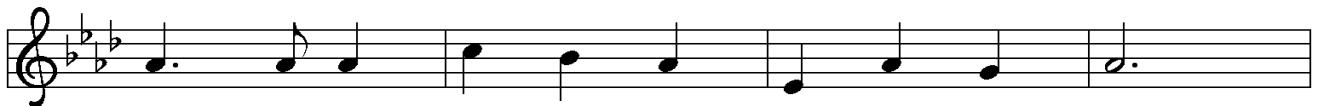


at the pas - chal vic - tim's feet. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 met in strange and awe - some strife. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!

**"Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!"**



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!  
 2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter  
 3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;  
 4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:  
 5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!  
 tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;  
 life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;  
 death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.  
 gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!  
 break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:  
 heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,  
 Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!  
 riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!  
 Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.  
 gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.  
 Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.  
 sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



*Refrain*

Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.

Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

**“Christ is Risen! Alleluia!”**

- 1 Christ is ris-en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!
- 2 Christ is ris-en! All the sad-ness of our Lent-en fast is o'er;
- 3 Christ is ris-en! All the sor-row that last eve-ning round him lay
- 4 Christ is ris-en! Hence-forth nev - er death or hell shall us en - thrall.

Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!  
 through the o - pen gates of glad-ness he re-tur-ns to life once more;  
 now has found a glo-rious mor-row in the ris-ing of to - day.  
 We are Christ's, in him for - ev - er we have tri-umphed o - ver all.

Grate-ful - ly our hearts a - dore him as his light once more ap - pears;  
 death and hell be - fore him bend-ing see him rise, the vic - tor now,  
 See the grave its first-fruits giv - ing, spring-ing up from ho - ly ground;  
 All the doubt-ing and de - jec - tion of our trem-bling hearts have ceased;

bow - ing down in joy be-fore him, ris - ing up from griefs and tears.  
 an - gels on his steps at-tend-ing, glo - ry round his wound-ed brow.  
 Christ was dead, but now is liv - ing; he was lost, but he is found.  
 hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

*Refrain*

Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!

Sing his prais-es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!

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

## SENDING

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

### **Sending Hymn: "Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises"**



Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa ro - na, di tha -  
Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es, all our



bi - le ka - o - fe - la. Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa  
hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your



ro - na, di tha - bi - le ka - o - fe - la.  
prais - es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness.

**Repeat  
this  
refrain**

**Then sing verses below.....**



1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,  
2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

*Repeat stanza, then sing refrain*



I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger.  
strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy - ful gos - pel.

**Sing Vs 1  
and  
then Vs 2.**

**Then go back up to the refrain and repeat. End.**

### **Dismissal**

*Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

*Go in peace to tell the story of what God has done. Thanks be to God.*



## Nurturing Children, Supporting Communities, Strengthening Families

### **April is Child Abuse Prevention Month and Sunday April 24<sup>th</sup> has been designated as National Blue Sunday.**

*The Montana Children's Trust Fund, the Billings Family Tree Center & the Montana DPHHS – Faith and Community based services is partnering with faith-based communities across Montana, in efforts raise awareness about the impact and prevalence of child abuse and neglect as well as to to reduce child abuse and neglect and encourage community members to support to the development of strong families to ensure all children grow up in a safe and nurturing environment.*

*As part of the efforts, **National Blue Sunday** is dedicated to raising awareness within the faith community about preventing child abuse and neglect in our community.*



*In support of their mission, St. James Lutheran Church has displayed **Blue Pinwheels** at the church and in yards if their members. When you see a blue pinwheel this month, be reminded of those who have suffered from abuse and neglect. Keep them in your prayers and research & support the work of those organizations dedicated to this important and lifesaving work.*

**Join us on Sunday to see how you can be involved in helping to end child abuse and neglect in Montana.**

**The special arrangement displayed this morning was donated in honor of strengthening families and encouraging families to pursue parenting support and education.**

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

April 2022 Altar Guild: Maureen Hemphill

May 2022 Altar Guild: Sheri Luepke

April 2022 Cleaner(s): Greg & Kristi Lofing and Chris Fleury & Rae Ellen Strickland

May 2022 Cleaner(s): Brian & Sheri Luepke and Bob & Maureen Hemphill

April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Reader: Maureen Hemphill

May 2022 Reader: *Will you sign up to help?*

April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Usher: *Will you sign up to help?*

May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 Usher: *Will you sign up to help?*

April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Communion Helper(s): *Will you sign up to help?*

May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 Communion Helper(s): *Will you sign up to help?*

April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Gate Keeper(s): Donna Zeigler & Chris Fleury

May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 Gate Keeper(s): Joy Goehner & Brian Luepke

April & May 2022 Musician(s): Marge Sunvold & Betty Ames

***FYI.....***



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***~ Joining the campaign to restock OUR cupboards.***

***~ Providing specific items to the Project Hope***

***“Food Bank”***

***\*\*See Poster on PH tub for the needed items. This will continue in MAY, also.***

**SAVE THE DATE: May 14<sup>th</sup> -**

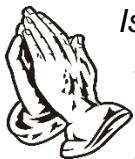
**We will be having a “cleaning day” starting @ 10:00am.**

**\*\*Cleaning goals will be posted for areas to be cleaned.**

*An opportunity to care for the Lord’s Table....*

**Altar Guild is looking for new members.....** The schedule has been arranged to be more flexible to meet your needs. A specific task list and personal instruction will be given to anyone who would like to be involved in this ministry. For more information, please contact:

**Kim Behrent** (406) 321-2535 or **Pastor Tonia** (406) 656-9557



*Is there any member interested in assuming the ministry of Prayer Chain requests? A group email list of those who have been interested in receiving this information, will be provided to you. Church members will contact you with a prayer request, providing you with names (ask for sp. If unsure) and all pertinent and correct information. You will then email the request to the specified group. Please let Pastor Tonia or Betty Ames know if you’d be interested in this ministry.*

***In the meantime, continue to contact Pastor Tonia, either by text or email (see info top of page)***



### *Happy April Birthday*

Rae Ellen Strickland 4/1; Ian Morse 4/4; Patty Sundberg 4/7;  
Maddie Lind 4/11; Cory Wanner 4/13; Joe Morse 4/15; Mason Adams 4/15;  
Don Herzog 4/16; Judy Bjorkman 4/19; James Alton 4/20;  
John Mitchell 4/21; Tim Lofing 4/24; Tessa Rouane 4/25



### *Happy April Anniversary*

Morgan & Lian Radford 4/27



### *Happy May Birthday*

Jean Voldseth 5/5; Harold Riensche 5/8; Lance Sundberg 5/10;  
AJ Makoff 5/20; Lian Radford 5/21; Bev Kem 5/23; Ingrid Short 5/27;  
Mike Koski 5/29; Chip Kem 5/30



### *Happy May Anniversary*

Lance & Patty Sundberg 5/17; Nick & Marian Lofing;  
Ken & Pam Carlson 5/27

*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 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022,**

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

**FOR YOUR REVIEW AND PRAYER.....**

April 3 <sup>rd</sup> Offering gratefully received	\$1,610.00
April 10 <sup>th</sup> Offering gratefully received	\$1,690.00
April 17 <sup>th</sup> Offering gratefully received	<u>\$2,280.00</u>
March total received so far:	<b>\$5,580.00</b>

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

**Jan - (under \$634.43) + Feb (under \$1,718.33) + Mar (under \$3,428.33) =**

**YTD UNDER Monthly Budget of (\$5,781.09)**

***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).**

*For new prayer requests, please contact **Pastor Tonia**. Text or call her at (406) 656-9557 or email her at [toniafisherclarkmt@gmail.com](mailto:toniafisherclarkmt@gmail.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 comfort & peace Lord for Arlene and family as they mourn the death of John Mitchell. We thank you for having had John in our lives and the joy he has brought to so many. Amen.

**Memorial Service will be at the Senior Center - Friday April 29<sup>th</sup> @ 2:30pm**

Your healing and wisdom Lord for 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: Barb Potsman; Roger Mullin; Shane DeHaven; Mary Ann Connors; Aracellii Enano; Ashley Foster; Jenny Hansen Cheff; 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.

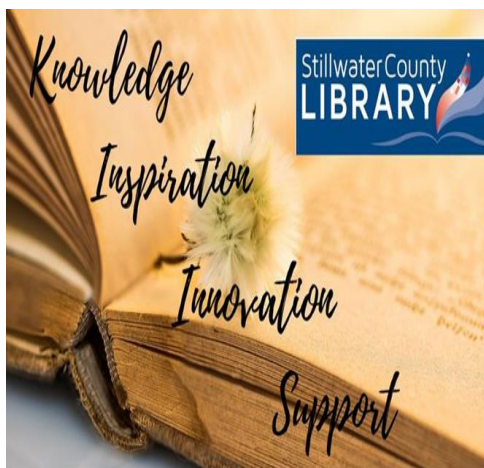
Ukraine and her people

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



## Community Events for St. James:

- Every Wednesday 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 Peter.
  - ~Social Hour at the Columbus Senior Center at 9:30am
- Every Thursday we are invited to attend:
  - ~The Men's group at the Stillwater Youth Center at 7pm for a bible study of Acts.
  - ~The NEW Walking Group formed by the Columbus Congregational Church. Every Thursday the walking group begins, leaving the little Stone Church @ 8:30am. All are Welcome! Coffee & rolls will follow in the little Stone Church at 9:15am.
  - ~Absarokee Quilting Group – 10am in the basement of the Cobblestone building. Knitters, Crocheters and Embroiderers are welcome!



### This Week's Events:

**Monday 4/25** – Domestic & Sexual Violence Services Program  
(Registration Required)

**Tuesday 4/26**– Adult Dungeons & Dragons  
5:30 - 8:00 (Registration Required)

**Wednesday 4/27** – Code-a-pillar (ages 3+)  
11:00 -12:00

**Thursday 4/28** – Guided Drawing – OWL  
9:30 – 5:00

**Saturday 4/30** – Teen D&D 10:30 - 12:30 & 1:30 – 3:30  
(Registration required)

**FYI – April 30 – May 9**

**SW County Library BOOK SALE!!!**

Thank  
You

**THANK YOU** to those who have told me in-person; texted or emailed: "I Read It" to enter your name into this month's drawing & an even bigger **THANK YOU** to know we are "BEING CHURCH" by communicating to our members and keeping you all informed about **YOUR church – St. James Lutheran!!!**

*This month's names (x2 4/10 & 4/17) entered into the drawing are:*

Bob & Bev Kem; Ken & Pete Hegg; Vi Ekle; Evelyn Williams; Joy Goehner; Peggy Herzog; Sally Bisch; Marge Sunvold; Donna Zeigler; Kim Behrent; Sheri Luepke; Leanne Sekora

*And the winner of this Multi "Gift Card is.....*

*(Lucky Winner drawing during announcements Sunday)*

