# 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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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

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

### Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 – 4<sup>th</sup> 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 all .....and also be with you.

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

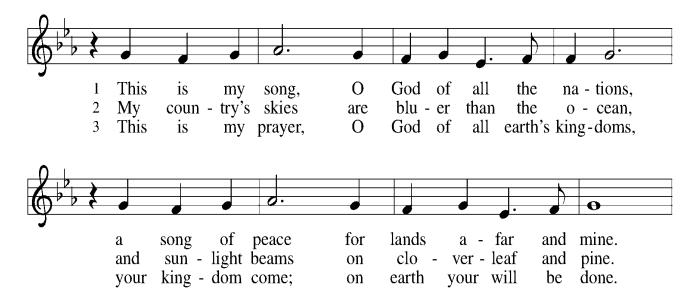
#### GATHERING

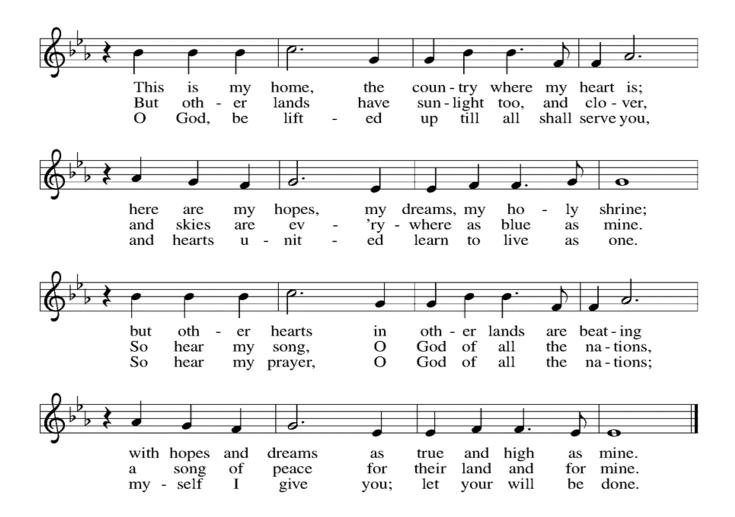
#### **Confession & Forgiveness**

*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: "This is My Song"





#### Let us sing the Prayer of the Day: "We Pray for Peace"

(to the tune "Be Still, My Soul")

- Vs. 1 We pray for peace, O God of love and justice, as once again, we face a time of war.
  The meek and humble try amid the crisis to love and build, to nurture and restore.
  May leaders hear the truth the prophets teach us that gifts of peace are well worth struggling for.
- Vs 2 We pray for peace, O Christ who calmed the waters who stilled the storm, who stilled disciples' fear. You spoke with love and with amazing power; be with us now when trouble is so near. May leaders see the miracle you offer that words and deeds can calm the nations here.
- Vs 3 We pray for peace, O Spirit here among us; your love emboldens, judges and restrains. Take any hate and acts of impulse from us; make leaders wise, amid competing claims. May we seek peace, O God of love and justice; may love and mercy be our highest aims.

#### WORD

#### Hear the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14

<sup>10</sup>Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—<sup>11</sup>so you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; so, you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. <sup>12</sup>For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm and dandled on her knees. <sup>13</sup>As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

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

#### Read Psalm 33:1-12 responsively by whole verse

<sup>1</sup> Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous. Praise befits the upright. <sup>2</sup> Praise the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings. <sup>3</sup> Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts. <sup>4</sup> For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. <sup>5</sup> He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. <sup>6</sup> By the word of the LORD the heavens were made and all their host by the breath of his mouth. <sup>7</sup> He gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle; he put the deeps in storehouses. <sup>8</sup> Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him, <sup>9</sup> for he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm. <sup>10</sup> The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples. <sup>11</sup> The counsel of the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.

#### Hear the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Galatians 6:1-16

<sup>1</sup>My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. <sup>2</sup>Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup>For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. <sup>4</sup>All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. <sup>5</sup>For all must carry their own loads.<sup>6</sup>Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. <sup>7</sup>Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. <sup>8</sup>If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. 9So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup>So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. <sup>11</sup>See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! <sup>12</sup>It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. <sup>13</sup>Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. <sup>14</sup>May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. <sup>15</sup>For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! <sup>16</sup>As for those who will follow this rule-peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

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 10:1, 16-20

<sup>1</sup>After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where He himself intended to go. <sup>16</sup>"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." <sup>17</sup>The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" <sup>18</sup>He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. <sup>19</sup>See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the

enemy; and nothing will hurt you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

#### The Gospel of the Lord:

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

#### Sermon: "Alice in Wonderland"

#### Reflection Hymn: "God Bless America"

God bless America, land that I love Stand beside her and guide her Through the night with the light from above From the mountains To the prairies To the oceans White with foam God bless America My home sweet home, God bless America My home sweet home! Repeat.....

#### 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 men 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) For Peace, (C) We pray to you, O God.

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: "Doxology"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### **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: "This is the 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

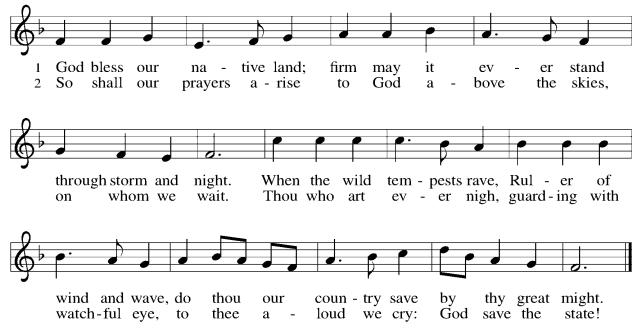
Mystery of our Faith. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

#### 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:

#### "God Bless Our Native Land"



#### "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

- O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain: America! America! God shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.
- O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife, who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life: America! America! May God thy gold refine, till all success be nobleness, and ev'ry gain divine.
- 3 O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears: America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw, confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

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

#### SENDING

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

#### Sending Hymn: "Battle Hymn of the Republic"

1 Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword: his truth is marching on.

#### Refrain

Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

- 2 He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat; he is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat. Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet! Our God is marching on. *Refrain*
- In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea, with a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me.
   As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free, while God is marching on. *Refrain*

**Dismissal** Go in peace. Love your neighbor. **Thanks be to God.** Music Published by Permission, CCLI #11445215 Worship Service recorded by Permission, CSPL #1686

### A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING

July 2022 Altar Guild: Sheri Luepke July 2022 Cleaner(s): Brian & Sydne Wanner Will someone help them? July 2022 Reader(s): Will someone sign up to help? July 2022 Communion Helper(s): Brian & Sheri Luepke July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 Usher(s): Thank you Rae Ellen Strickland for ushering last Sunday.

July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 Gate Keepers: Carrie Williams & Donna Zeigler May 2022 Musician(s): Marge Sunvold & Betty Ames

July Mission offering.....

# Your continued support benefits Special K Ranch

#### A BIG VIKING THANK YOU to: Pastor Tonia, Brian & Sheri, Rae Ellen, Jane, Larry, Steve &

**Denise and Donna.** Thank you for all your hard work scraping, sanding & priming the foundation at the church on Saturday, June 25th. You are troopers of the highest order. This gives a whole nother meaning to the hymn, "The Church's One Foundation". Not only our praise for God's church to worship in, but the people of the church who are able to give of their time & strength for all members to worship in the church building of St. James.

Our final painting date will be Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022, starting at 9:00am. Thank You, Donna Zeigler & Council Members



#### Upcoming dates:

> Monday July 4<sup>th</sup>,2022 Happy Independence Day



- Thursday July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 St. John's United Summer Concert Series continues.. \*\* See poster below for details. Future dates for concerts are 7/14; 7/21; 7/28.
- > Saturday July 9th, 2022 FINAL painting day for the church foundation project. 9:00am
- Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Summer Block Party @ Stillwater Youth Center Fun starts @ 5pm! \*\*See poster below for more information......
- Sunday July 10<sup>th</sup>,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 July 16th, 2022 Stillwater County 4 H/FFA Fair
- Sunday July 17<sup>th</sup>,2022 Baptism of Quincy Kay Davis, daughter of Carli & Rob Davis; Granddaughter of Kristi & Greg Lofing.
- Sunday July 17th,2022 Shakespeare in the Parks: "Twelfth Night" 6:30pm @ Heritage Park
- Sunday July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022 Church Council Meeting immediately after worship.

### Happy July Birthday



Vi Ekle 7/4; Chris Fleury 7/7; Karen McDonald 7/17; Lindsey Adams 7/17; Jim Dickey 7/21; Betty Ames 7/22; Gloria Brown 7/22; Lanita Maurer 7/22; Ken Hegg 7/23; Sally Bisch 7/23; Evelyn Williams 7/25; Pat Lashley 7/28; Denise Cowan 7/29; Judy Martin 7/30



### Happy July Anniversary

Ian & Joni Morse 7/6; Brian & Sydne Wanner 7/18; Ken & Pete Hegg 7/ 23; Bill & Rae Ellen Strickland 7/24;

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.....

June 5 <sup>th</sup> Offering gratefully received	\$1,415.00
June 12 <sup>th</sup> Offering gratefully received	\$2,425.00
June 19 <sup>th</sup> Offering gratefully received	\$1,290.00
June 26 <sup>th</sup> Offering gratefully received	<u>\$ 265.00</u>
	June Total: \$5,395.00

\*\*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) = YTD UNDER Monthly Budget of (\$3,785.84)

#### 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 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 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.

### SUMMER - PROJECT WORLD RELIEF FABRIC KITS

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

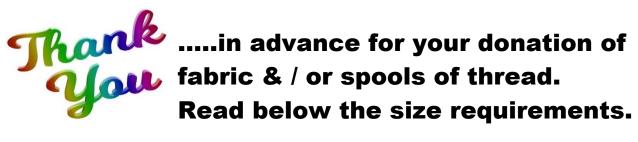
Central & South America, Africa, the Middle East and Europe.

"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:

Saturday July 2<sup>nd</sup> – Drop-in Craft Time! Patriotic Centerpiece! 9:30-5:00pm Wednesday July 6<sup>th</sup> – Summer Storytime w/Ms. Lisa 10:30–11:00am Friday July 8<sup>th</sup> – Dungeons and Dragons for Ages 17+ Pre-registration required. 10:00 – 2:00

Mark your calendars -Concerts CONTINUE July 7th @ 7pm

2<sup>nd</sup> concert will take place at "St. John's Campus in Billings

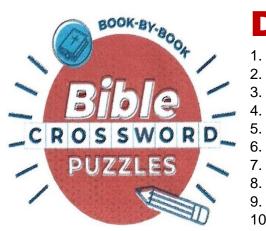
Opener: Jessica Eve Headliner: Kyle Shobe & the Walk 'Em Boys





# THIS WEEKS ANSWERS:

\*\* Check Wednesday 6/29 Email for these puzzles



## Deuteronomy

- Witchcraft
- Moses
- none
- Sorcery
- Bread
- Subtract
- Destruction
- Children
- 9. Moab
- 10. Life

# Acts

- 1. Heaven
- 2. Matthias
- 3. Pentecost
- 4. Possessions
- 5. Stephen
- 6. Damascus
- 7. Blindness
- 8. James
- 9. Barnabas
- 10. Malta