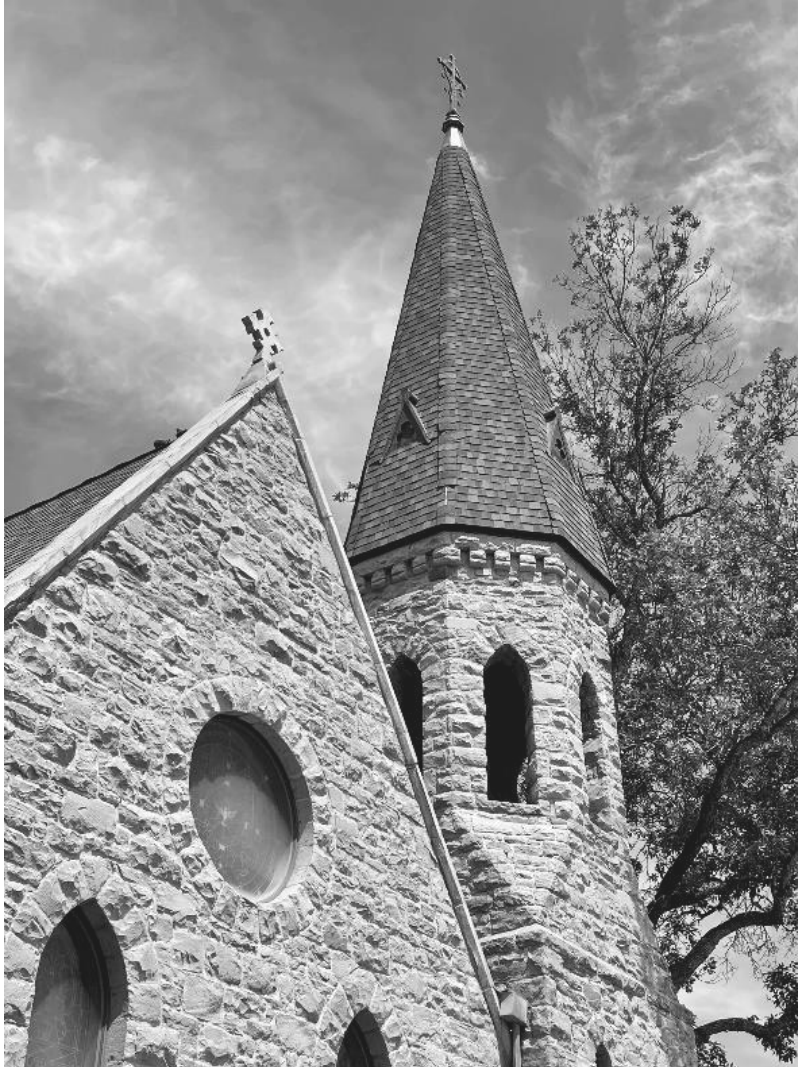




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**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**

**March 10th, 2024**

**9:30 a.m.**

*We acknowledge that our church is on the historical Common Hunting Ground of the Pend d'Oreille, Salish, Blackfeet, Gros Ventre, Shoshone, Bannock, Nez Perce, Cheyenne, Arapahoe, and Crow Tribes.*

# THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

“Song of the Dawn by Robert J Powell”

JF 2016

WELCOME

*(please stand, as you are able)*

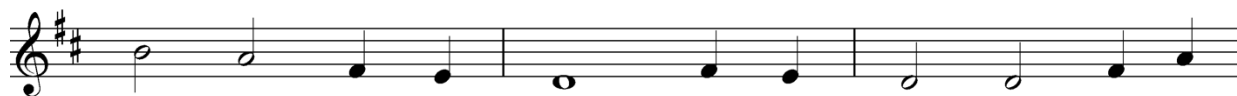
OPENING HYMN

“Come thou fount of every blessing”

H82 686



1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my  
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er  
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good  
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a



ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by  
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering  
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to



flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me  
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from  
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and



on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

## OPENING SENTENCES

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People* **God's mercy endures forever.**

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## KYRIE ELEISON

H82 96

Setting: From New Plainsong  
David Hurd (b. 1950)

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Chords: F#m Em F#m Bm Em F#m Bm Em A F#m Bm Em F#m

1 Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Chri-ste e-le-i-son.

5 Chri-ste e-le-i-son. Chri-ste e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

8 Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST LESSON

Numbers 21:4-9

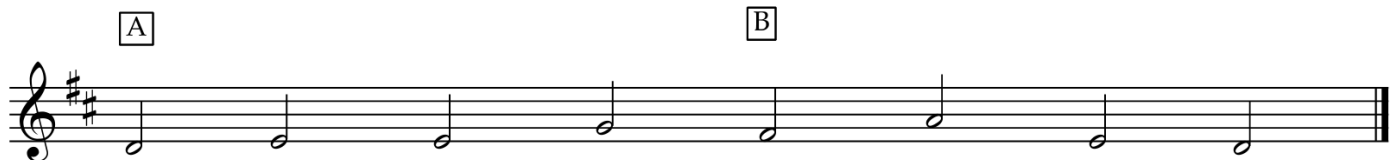
From Mount Hor the Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.” Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.” So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Hear what the spirit is saying to God’s people.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 107:1-13, 17-22

*Sung by the Choir; please join as you are comfortable.*



A 1 Give thanks to the Lord for he is **good**, and his mercy endures forever.

B 2 Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed **proclaim** that he redeemed them from the hand of the **foe**.

A 3 He gathered them out of the **lands**; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the **south**.

B 17 Some were fools and took to rebellious **ways**; they were afflicted because of their **sins**.

A 18 They abhorred all manner of **food** and drew near to death's **door**.

B 19 Then they cried to the Lord in their **trouble**, and he delivered them from their **distress**.

A 20 He sent forth his word and healed **them** and saved them from the **grave**.

A 21 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his **mercy** and the wonders he does for his **children**.

B 22 Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving and tell of his acts with shouts of **joy**.

## THE SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 2:1-10

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ-- by grace you have been saved-- and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God-- not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

### SEQUENCE HYMN

"Sing my soul His wondrous love"

H82 467

1 Sing, my soul, his won-drous love, who, from yon bright throne a - bove,  
2 Heaven and earth by him were made; all is by his scep - ter swayed;  
3 God, the mer - ci - ful and good, bought us with the Sa - vior's blood,  
4 Sing, my soul, a - dore his Name! Let his glo - ry be thy theme:

ev - er watch - ful o'er our race, still to us ex - tends his grace.  
what are we that he should show so much love to us be - low?  
and, to make sal - va - tion sure, guides us by his Spi - rit pure.  
praise him till he calls thee home; trust his love for all to come.

## THE GOSPEL

John 3:14-21

*Celebrant:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

*People:* **Glory to you Lord Christ**

Jesus said, “Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.”

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

## THE SERMON

The Rev. Rowan Larson

**THE NICENE CREED** *(please stand, as you are able)*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

My siblings: wait patiently for the Lord. Trusting our merciful God to hear us, we pray, “Harken to our voice, O Lord, when we call; have mercy on us and answer us.”

Almighty God, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us citizens of your heavenly kingdom. Show us your ways, O Lord, and give us the strength to stand firm. Harken to our voice, O Lord, when we call;

**Have mercy on us and answer us.**

Forgive us, gracious God, for the violence and anger in our own hearts. Open our ears and hearts to listen to your prophets and heed their call to repentance. Harken to our voice, O Lord, when we call;

**Have mercy on us and answer us.**

We long, O God, to behold your fair beauty. Open our eyes to the beauty all around us. Inspire our hearts to sing out and make music to you. You may share your thanksgivings, silently or aloud. Harken to our voice, O Lord, when we call;

**Have mercy on us and answer us.**

We pray, O God, for all those who have no place to call home. In their day of trouble keep them safe in your shelter; hide them in your dwelling. May they find housing in this life and find their home in your heart forever. Harken to our voice, O Lord, when we call;

**Have mercy on us and answer us.**

Lord Jesus, you desire to gather your children as a hen gathers her brood under her wings. Be the light and salvation of those who are lost and alone. May all in need know your goodness and mercy. We pray for all those in need of your care, and all those whose souls have returned to you. Harken to our voice, O Lord, when we call;

**Have mercy on us and answer us.**

Lord Jesus, in the fullness of time make all things subject to yourself and transform us, with all your saints, that at the last we might be conformed to your glorious likeness. Harken to our voice, O Lord, when we call;

**Have mercy on us and answer us.**

*Celebrant:* Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## THE CONFESSION

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All* **Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you in  
thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
Have mercy on us and forgive us;  
That we may delight in your will,  
And walk in your ways,  
To the glory of your Name. Amen**

## ABSOLUTION

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS, TRAVELERS, AND ANNIVERSARIES

Lord God our times are in your hand; look with favor we pray on your servants, surround them with your love and care, protect them from every danger, keep them safe in the knowledge of your love. This we ask through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“God so loved the world”

Stainer

*While the table is being set, your financial gifts will be received by the ushers. **Please stand as the monetary offering is brought forward***

***We ask that you do not intinct (dip your wafer into the chalice). Communion is complete in one kind if you prefer not to receive the chalice.***

*If you do not wish to receive the bread or wine, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.*



# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

## Eucharist Prayer A (Book of Common Prayer)

(Please remain standing, as able)

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## SANCTUS

### “Holy, Holy, Holy Lord”

S124

♩=120

D Bm G F#m G F#m Bm Em A

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,

2 Bm A G F#m Bm Em Bm F#m

hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est,

4 G Em D Bm Em Bm D Em Bm A

Bless'd is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People:*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.


All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant* And now, let us sing the prayer that makes us one:


*People* *(sing together)*

*Celebrant*




As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

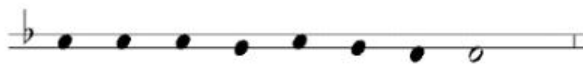
*Celebrant and People*




Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,



your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.



Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.



For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.

Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.  
 For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,  
 now and for ev - er. A - men.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Words and Music  
 Susan Johnston

O Lamb of God You take a - way the sins of the world, Have mer - cy on us.  
 O Lamb of God You take a - way the sins of the world. Have mer - cy on us. O  
 Lamb of God You take a - way the sins of the world.  
 Grant us Your peace. Grant us Your peace.

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

1 A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that  
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
 3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his  
 4 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I  
 \* 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

1 saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but  
 2 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
 3 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
 4 have al - rea - dy come; 'tis grace that brought me  
 5 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

1 now am found, was blind but now I see.  
 2 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 3 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
 4 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 5 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

1 Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;  
 2 Should my tears for ev - er flow, should my zeal no lan - guor know,  
 3 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,

let the wa - ter and the blood from thy wound - ed side that flowed,  
 all for sin could not a - tone: thou must save, and thou a - lone;  
 when I rise to worlds un - known and be - hold thee on thy throne,

be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.  
 in my hand no price I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling.  
 Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray together  
*All:* **Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
 you have graciously accepted us  
 as living members of your Son  
 our Savior Jesus Christ,  
 and you have fed us with spiritual food  
 in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
 Send us now into the world in peace,  
 and grant us strength and courage  
 to love and serve you  
 with gladness and singleness of heart;  
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## BLESSING

*Celebrant* May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ. May almighty God bless you, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

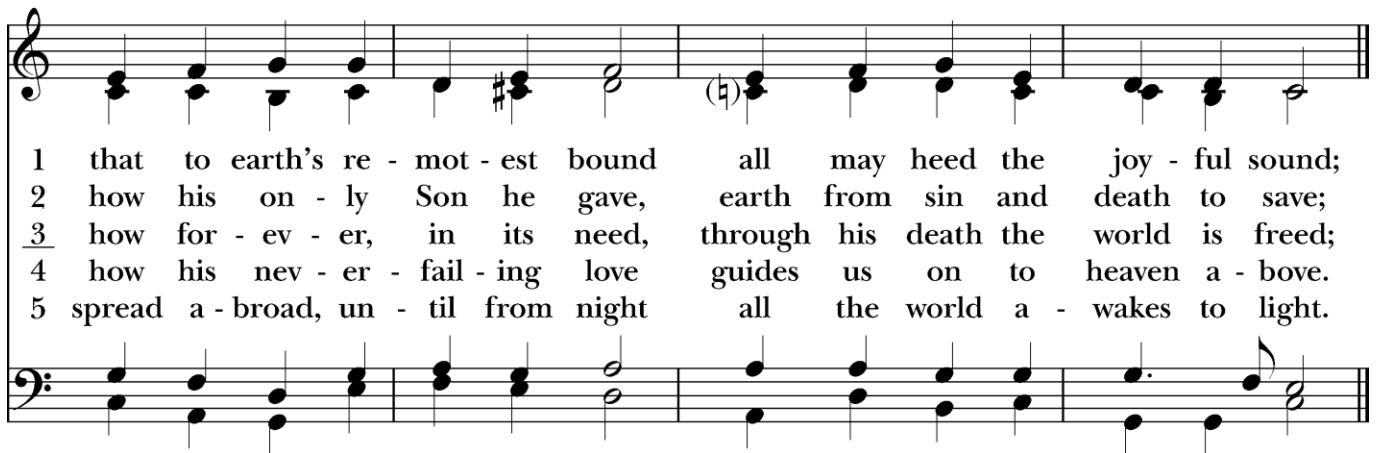
## RECESSIONAL

“Spread o spread thou mighty word”

H82 530



1 Spread, O spread, thou might - y word, spread the king - dom of the Lord,  
2 word of how the Fa - ther's will made the world, and keeps it, still;  
3 word of how the Sa - vior's love earth's sore bur - den doth re - move;  
4 word of how the Spi - rit came bring - ing peace in Je - sus' name;  
5 Word of life, most pure and strong, word for which the na - tions long,



1 that to earth's re - mot - est bound all may heed the joy - ful sound;  
2 how his on - ly Son he gave, earth from sin and death to save;  
3 how for - ev - er, in its need, through his death the world is freed;  
4 how his nev - er - fail - ing love guides us on to heaven a - bove.  
5 spread a - broad, un - til from night all the world a - wakes to light.

## THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

“Variations on St Anne Stephen L Aber arr. Wm Croft”

JF 2017

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WELCOME TO ALL OF OUR GUESTS AND VISITORS!

Please take a few minutes to fill out a Welcome Card located in the pew racks near the aisle and give it to an usher or Rev. Rowan. We look forward to getting to know you a little better and telling you about all of the wonderful things happening at St. James!

### HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

We have a hearing assist system at St. James that is compatible with hearing aids with an inductive loop, hearing aids with an app (see usher for help connecting to app), or those who just need a little extra volume with an around the neck device and headphones.

### CHILDREN'S FORMATION

Children are invited to join our awesome volunteer teachers in the Todd Center during worship each week. Our classroom focuses on the needs of children from PreK to 8th grade, but older and younger children may join--just check with the teachers at drop off. To update our records, we're asking all families to please fill out a registration form here: [bit.ly/stjameskids](http://bit.ly/stjameskids)

### COFFEE HOUR

- **Let's Be Friends!** St. James parish members host a coffee hour after the service. The goal of having a coffee hour is to get to know each other, to make new friends, and reconnect with old friends
- **Coffee Hour Hosts.** If you would like to help host a coffee hour, or have questions about the coffee hours, please contact Nancy Winget at [nwinget27@gmail.com](mailto:nwinget27@gmail.com). Thank you for considering this request!
- **Coffee Hour Refreshment/Supplies.** If you have refreshments/supplies for coffee hours, please contact us at 406-586-9039 or [office@stjamesbozeman.org](mailto:office@stjamesbozeman.org). We are happy to receive them on Sundays in the Parish Hall or during the week in the parish office.

**EVERY SUNDAY - HEALING PRAYERS** – Every Sunday during communion, prayers are available at the Olive St. entrance (in the narthex).

**PRAYER SHAWLS** – If you know of someone who would be blessed by receiving a St. James prayer shawl, please feel free to take one from the rack at the front doors of the church.

### CONTACT PERSON FOR PASTORAL CARE

Ray Ross is the contact person for all things pastoral care (ex: hospital visits, home visits, Eucharistic Ministers). Ray's cell number is 406-599-6991, and email is [Rayross555@me.com](mailto:Rayross555@me.com). Please share names with Ray so we can assemble an up-to-date list.

### TO SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST TO THE ST. JAMES CIRCLE OF PRAYER:

Please e-mail Vicki Van Rensselaer at [terracecoast@aol.com](mailto:terracecoast@aol.com). (Email only!)

## **THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES**

Mon, March 11th	10:00 a.m.	Memorial Service for Don Rollins
Tue, March 12th	7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous in the Todd Center
Wed, March 13th		
Thu, March 14th	6:30 p.m.	BSA Venture scouts
	7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous in the Todd Center
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Fri, Mar 15th		
Sat. Mar 16th	3:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sun, Mar 17th	9:30 a.m.	Eucharist Worship

## **THOSE IN SERVICE**

Rector:	The Rev. Rowan Larson
Music:	The Rev. Connie Campbell-Pearson, Cameron King, St James Choir,
Acolyte:	Ty Sherwood
Readers:	John Heilman and Peggy Bergstadt
Eucharistic Ministers:	
Usher:	Ron Hoseth and Mary Wisman
Videographer:	Mike Miller
Altar Guild:	Leslie Piercy and Julie Videon

## **HOLY WEEK AT ST JAMES**

**March 24-31, 2024**

Palm Sunday March 24

- Liturgy of the Palms 9 am
- Palm Sunday Parade 9:15 am
- Palm Sunday Service 9:45 am

Stations of the Cross March 25-26

- Monday in Holy Week 6 pm
- Tuesday in Holy Week 6 pm

Maundy Thursday March 28

- Agape Meal and Foot Washing 6 pm

Good Friday March 29

- Community service at St. James 12 pm
- Service 6 pm

Easter Vigil March 30 6 pm

Easter Sunday March 31

- 9:30 am
- 11 am

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