



ST. JAMES

Episcopal
CHURCH

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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.

**Eighteenth Sunday
after Pentecost
September 27th, 2026**

10:15 a.m.



Wherever you are on your journey with God or towards God,
you are welcome here!



WELCOME TO ST. JAMES!

SERVICE TIMES

Our services are at 8:15 am and 10:15 am, both followed by Coffee Hour.

COFFEE HOUR

Both services are now followed by Coffee Hour. Join us in the Parish Hall for some coffee, snacks, and fellowship. To get to the Parish Hall, take a right out of the church doors and go up the ramp, through the red door, and down the stairs (or use the elevator if needed).

ARE YOU A NEWCOMER?

Welcome! If you're new to St. James, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card so we can get to know you a little better. Welcome Cards are located in the racks at the end of each pew and in our newly updated welcome folders! Please feel free to take a folder with more information about St. James and our ministries as well as some other goodies. Welcome Cards can be returned to an Usher, member of the Clergy, or put in the offering plate.

NEED A NAMETAG?

If you need a nametag made (or corrected or refreshed) you can either sign up on the clipboard in the entry way of the church or email the office at office@stjamesbozeman.org.

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.

PASTORAL CARE LINE

Please direct calls to our Pastoral Care Line at **(406) 586-9451** to be connected with the clergy person on call. Pastoral care includes hospital and home visits, eucharistic visitors, meal trains, and more.

PARKING

Sunday morning parking is available in the Canterbury Lot at 8 W. Olive from 8am – 1pm for free. Please reach out to office@stjamesbozeman.org to be added to our parking system and validated for the rest of the week.

CLERGY, STAFF, & VESTRY

Rector: The Rev. Rowan J. Larson
Priest Associates: The Rev. Valerie Webster,
The Rev. D Gregory Smith
Deacon: The Rev. Lynne Matthews
Music Leadership: Logan Henke, Minister of Music;
Kyla Rosenberger, Chief Organist
Office: Juliana Olliff
Vestry: Michael Fox, Interim Senior Warden
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Wendy Wilson, Treasurer
Rick Bergstedt, Rusty Felton, Susan Gregory,
Darin Heitt-Rennie, Doug Campbell

THOSE IN SERVICE

Acolyte: Ty Sherwood; Senior Acolyte
10:15 Reader: Alison Counts
10:15 LEM:
10:15 Ushers: Vicki Van Rensselaer, Lucy
Peterson, Tom Burton
Coffee Hour: Paul & Darin Heitt-Rennie,
Kelsey Larson
Altar Guild: Julie Videon, Pat Dunn
Counters: Rusty Felton
Guest Musicians: Bobcat Brass Quintet; Jeff Vick,
Timpanist; Diocesan Chancel
Choir

PRELUDE

“Arioso”

David E. Gawthrop (b. 1949)

PROCESSIONAL ANTHEMS

“Marche de Timbales, H. 547”

Philidor le Cadet (1657-1708)

Jeff Vick, *timpani*

“Te Deum, H. 146: I. Prelude”

Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1643-1704)

arr. Jean-Louis Couturier (b. 1963)

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

“All people that on earth do dwell” (OLD 100TH) *The people sing on verses 1, 2, & 5*

H82 377

arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant: Let us pray together:

All: **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.**

Today’s Mass setting is from the New Plainsong Mass by David Hurd (b. 1950)

TRISAGION

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Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,
Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy
up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

HURD

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

The word of the LORD came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? As I live, says the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

Yet you say, "The way of the Lord is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord GOD. Turn, then, and live.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 145:1-8 *Ad te, Domine, levavi*

Chanted by the Choir

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

THE SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of
death—
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the
earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

"God is love, let heaven adore him" (ABBOT'S LEIGH) *v. 1-2 before the Gospel reading*

H82 379

arr. Bruce Neswick (b. 1956)

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 21:23-32

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

"God is love, let heaven adore him" (ABBOT'S LEIGH) *v. 3 after the Gospel reading*

H82 379

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand in body or in spirit

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

Hear our Prayer

Almighty God, hear the prayers of your people and come swiftly to aid us as we say **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Grant your church wisdom to bring about the beloved community through our commitment to individual and communal transformation and redemption. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Grant our nation strength and forbearance to peacefully resolve our differences and to live in amity with our neighbors. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Grant an abiding faith and discerning hearts to all of us gathered to hear these words; that we might live into your will and be your people. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Give to us clarity, that we might perceive and comprehend the gravity of the global issues which we face, and a determination to work together to implement sustainable and equitable solutions. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Lift the burdens to those who are ill, those who face overwhelming challenges, and those who are fearful. Bring them healing and peace. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Grant peace and welcome into your eternal grace to those who have died. Bring us to that place where with them we may all live again in your glorious kingdom. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: God of power and might, your eternal essence is love. Guide us as we seek to live fully into our belovedness and grant us an answer to our prayers that fulfills our deepest longings and reflects your glory into the darkness of our lives and world. All this we ask through your Son, our Lord, who with your and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme, One God, indivisible, forever and ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

Please stand or kneel as you are comfortable

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

People: **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.**

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

Please stand in body or in spirit

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

“Te Deum”

Thomas Pavlechko (b. 1962)

We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord. All creation worships you, the Father everlasting. To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

The glorious company of Apostles praise you.

The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.

The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you.

Father of majesty unbounded; your true and only Son, worthy of all praise; the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

You, Christ, are the King of Glory, the eternal Son of the Father. When you took our flesh to set us free, you humbly chose the Virgin's womb.

You overcame the sting of death, and opened the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers. You are seated at God's right hand in glory. We believe that you will come to be our judge.
Come, then, Lord, and help your people, bought with the price of your own blood, and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.

- trad. St. Ambrose (c. 339-397)

DOXOLOGY

*Sung by all to the tune of OLD 100TH
Words by Roger Lynn (b. 1981)*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Creator, Savior, Holy Ghost. Amen.**

While the table is being set, your financial gifts will be received by the ushers

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Please stand as the doxology begins and the monetary offering is brought forward



THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

(Eucharistic Prayer A, *Book of Common Prayer*)

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 our 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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

S124

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

HURD

Celebrant: 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:

All:

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

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

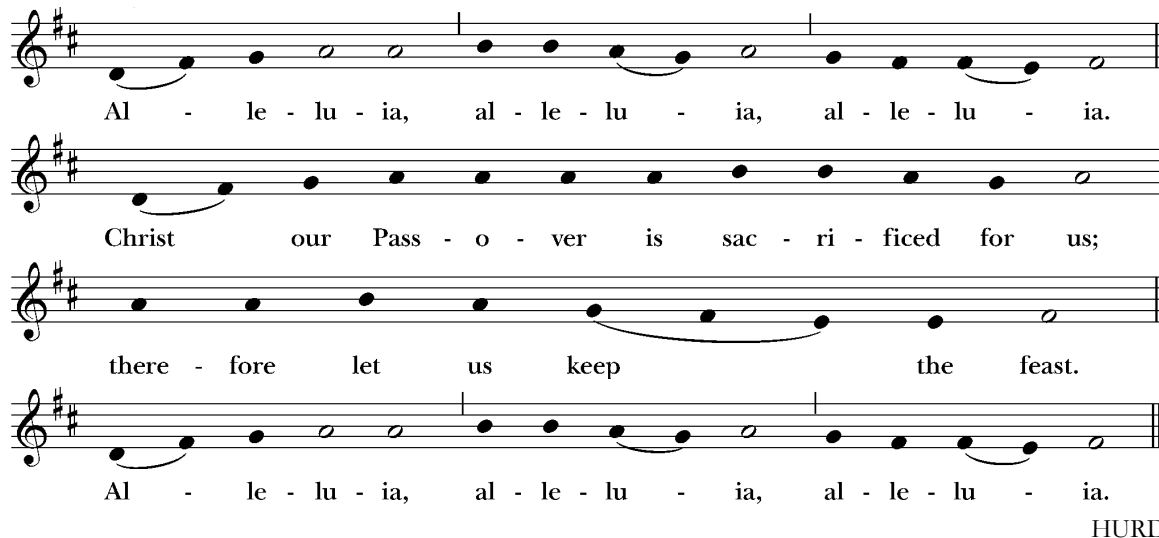
Celebrant and People
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.
Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.
For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,
now and for ev - er. A - men.

AMBROSIAN CHANT

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM

S158



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HURD

THE INVITATION

The Celebrant offers the consecrated bread with the following invitation:

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

Please let the priest know if you need a gluten-free wafer.

We ask that you do not intinct (dip your wafer into the chalice).

Communion is full and complete in one kind if you prefer not to receive the chalice.

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

COMMUNION ANTHEM

“Salvation is Created”

Pavel Chesnokov (1877-1944)
arr. Jeff Frost (n.d.)

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Abide with me: fast falls the eventide” (EVENTIDE)

H82 662

“I am the bread of life” (BREAD OF LIFE)

H82 335

arr. Rory Cooney (b. 1952)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand in body or in spirit

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.**

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

“O God beyond all praising”

Gustav Holst (1874-1934)
arr. Matthew O’Sullivan (b. 1978)

Composed for the 123rd Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Montana
The people sing on verses 1 & 3

1 O God be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to-day
2 The flow’r of earth-ly splen-dor in time must sure-ly die,
3 Then hear, O gra-cious Sav-ior, ac-cept the love we bring,
and sing the love a-maz-ing that songs can-not re-pay;
its frag-ile bloom sur-ren-der to you, the Lord most high;
that we who know your fa-vor may serve you as our King;
for we can on-ly won-der at ev-’ry gift you send,
but hid-den from all na-ture the e-ter-nal seed is sown-
and wheth-er our to-mor-rows be filled with good or ill,
at bless-ings with-out num-ber and mer-cies with-out end:
though small in mor-tal stat-ure, to heav-en’s gar-den grown:
we’ll tri-umph through our sor-rows and rise to bless you still:
we lift our hearts be-fore you and wait up-on your word,
for Christ, your gift from heav-en, from death has set us free,
to mar-vel at your beau-ty and glo-ry in your ways,
we hon-or and a-dore you, our great and might-y Lord.
and we through him are giv-en the fi-nal vic-to-ry.
and make a joy-ful du-ty our sac-ri-fice of praise.
THAXTED

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Marche Joyeuse”

John H. Head (1938-2022)

Sarah Stoneback, *trumpet*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS – Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost (September 27th, 2026)

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Next Sunday, October 4th, bring your pet (big, small, feathered, furry, scaly, etc.) to worship service to receive a blessing during our 8:15 am and 10:15 am services. This is one of our favorite services of the year, and we will have some fun treats at Coffee Hour to celebrate!

ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH COMMITTEE AND CROP HUNGER WALK

For its first event, the St. James Engagement and Outreach Committee (EOC) is partnering with the CROP Hunger Walk. The Gallatin Valley Crop Hunger Walk will be a one-day volunteer event, in the afternoon on Sunday, October 18. **The walk will start at 2 p.m., at the Gallatin Valley Food Bank on Griffin Drive.** The St. James Team will meet together at 1:40 p.m. at the Food Bank (206 E Griffin Dr, Bozeman, MT, 59715), and walk as a group. The route will take us to the Glen Lake Rotary Park and back to the Food Bank.

If you do not feel up to walking, but would still like to participate, donations are greatly needed! Proceeds from the Crop Walk will help the Gallatin Valley Food Bank (25% stays local), the rest will be used worldwide by the Church World Service, whose mission is to support sustainable development projects, emergency response activities, advocacy initiatives and refugee support services in over 65 countries across the globe. To sign up for our Team, donate, or read about the CROP Hunger Walk, scan the QR code.



DINNER AND BIBLE STUDY

Join Rev. Webster for Dinner and Bible Study, examining Matthew 5-7 and Jesus' Invitation to Receive and Extend Prayer. Bible study will be followed by evening meditation.

Dinner will be held at 6pm in the Parish Hall on the following dates: October 2, November 6, December 4

Please RSVP to Rev. Valerie if you are interested in attending!

ADULT FORMATION AT ST. JAMES –

In addition to our monthly dinner and discussion group, we are offering some interactive Adult Education opportunities this fall and winter! Each class, led by Deacon Lynne Matthews, will be offered **after the 10:15 Worship Service in the Parish Hall**, and will last an hour. Each topic will combine learning about a prayer practice with hands-on engagement. Prayer Bowls are rescheduled for spring.

October 11th: Anglican Prayer Beads

October 18th: Contemporary Christian Music and Contemplative Prayer

December 6th, 13th, 20th: Living Compass Advent Series

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES –

Tues	Sep 29	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (IHOP)
		7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Parish Hall)
Thurs	Oct 1	7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Canterbury Park)
Sun	Oct 4		Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
			Blessing of the Animals
		8:15 a.m.	Worship
		9:15 a.m.	Coffee Hour (Parish Hall)
		10:15 a.m.	Worship
		11:15 a.m.	Coffee Hour (Parish Hall)