

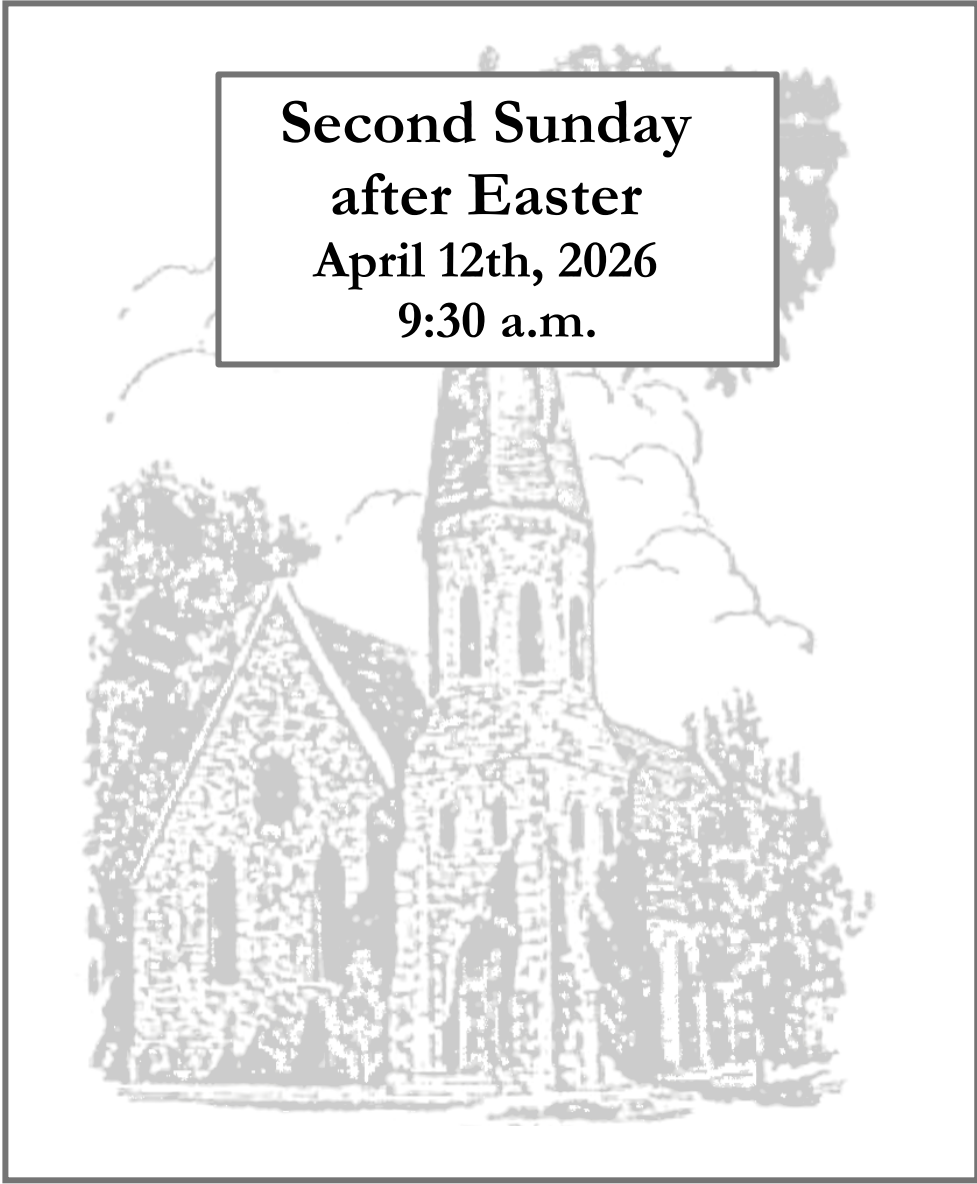


ST. JAMES

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.



**Second Sunday
after Easter
April 12th, 2026
9:30 a.m.**

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



WELCOME TO ST. JAMES!

PLEASE READ - UPCOMING SERVICE TIME CHANGES!

Today, **April 12**, we will have one service at 9:30 am, followed by an expanded Coffee Hour and discussion about our mission and outreach priorities as a parish. Starting next week, **April 19**, our two services will be at 8:15 am and 10:15 am, both followed by Coffee Hour.

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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – Sundays at 10 am (new time beginning April 19)

Children from PreK-5th are welcome to join us for Sunday School each week (except the last Sunday of each month) in the lower level of the Todd Center, located next door at 111 S. Tracy. If your child is a little older or a little younger, check in with our Sunday School teachers first.

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 NOTE CHANGE OF PHONE NUMBER

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.

BULLETIN FEEDBACK

The bulletin is a human-made document that sometimes contains typos and errors. Please be kind when giving feedback on the bulletin.

CLERGY, STAFF, & VESTRY

Rector: The Rev. Rowan J. Larson
Priest Associates: The Rev. Valerie Webster,
The Rev. D Gregory Smith
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Minnie Johnson; Acolyte
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Eucharistic Minister: Stacy Quinn
Ushers: Lucy Peterson, Vicki Van
Rensselaer
Coffee Hour: Owen Wilson, Darin Heitt-Rennie
Altar Guild: Sharon Eversman, Pat Dunn
Counters:

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

"Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness" (FINNIAN)

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OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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.**

GLORIA

S280 | *Sung*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

POWELL

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.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; 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

Acts 2:14a,22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

‘I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
moreover my flesh will live in hope.
For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One experience corruption.
You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

‘He was not abandoned to Hades,
nor did his flesh experience corruption.’

This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *
I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord,
my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *
upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods *
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, *
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; *
it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; *
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
7. I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; *
my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the LORD always before me; *
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *
my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, *
nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11 You will show me the path of life; *
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

"By all your saints still striving" (NYLAND)

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THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

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

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

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." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 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."

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." 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." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" 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."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. 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.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Rowan J. Larson

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

Lord God, we are your people, and we confess our need for you in our lives. Hear now our prayers as we say, **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for your church and all those who follow you and serve the world in your name. May they be strengthened, energized, and comforted by the knowledge of your constant love. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who serve and govern in this nation. May they act wisely with compassion, mercy, and selfless concern for all people. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the earth: for all her creatures and the resources entrusted to our care; for rich soils, strong crops, for the eradication of disease, for the health and livelihood of all people, for those who suffer persecution, homelessness, starvation, imprisonment, and oppression; so that all may be made new. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for our neighbors, that we might live in peace and safety, that all might have everything they need to live a full and abundant life. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the suffering and those in trouble, for those who are anxious and frightened, for those who must face danger as part of their work in the world. We pray for those who are in hospital, and for those who tend them in their illness. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the dead and for those who are dying that the love of God might be a strong comfort as they depart this world, and for that same comfort to sustain those who mourn. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: You are our strength, Lord God, and we gladly lean on you in times of trouble. Take these burdens now and offer us your grace and remind us of your promise that you are always with us. In Jesus' name. **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

“That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright” arr. Theodore Ripper (1925-2009)

**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

Don't carry cash? Donate online at stjamesbozeman.org/give

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

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

(Enriching our Worship, Eucharistic Prayer 1)

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 truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

SANCTUS

“Holy, holy, holy”

S129

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. ———
POWELL

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all 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.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of all your children, that with St. James and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

All:

Traditional

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemporary

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM

“Lamb of God”

S163

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.
POWELL

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 HYMNS

“How oft, O Lord, thy face hath shone” (JACOB)

H82 242

“Come, let us join our cheerful songs” (NUN DANKET ALL UND BRINGET EHR)

H82 374

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray together:

All: **Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ’s Body and Blood.
Now send us forth a people,
forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

“We walk by faith, and not by sight” (ST. BOTOLPH)

H82 209

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People : **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

“Alleluia” (from ‘Exultate Jubilate’)

W. A. Mozart (1756-1791)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS – Second Sunday of Easter (April 12th, 2026)
& Outreach Summit**

MEMORIAL DAY & PRIDE 2026

We know it's early, but if you are interested in marching with us at the Memorial Day Parade or helping us table at Pride, please let us know by filling out the survey below. This allows us to decide how much we can say yes to!



ALTAR GUILD

If you have noticed that the clergy always has wine and wafers ready to serve you during services at St. James, and that the altar hangings change color with season of the liturgical year, you have observed the handiwork of the congenial team known as the Altar Guild. We work in teams of two to set up during the week for Sundays and clean up after each service. The time commitment is about one hour during the week and one hour on and after Sunday to clean the utensils and linens each month. We easily work around travel and other conflicts. The learning curve is gentle and forgiving, and the group is not restricted to women. If you are interested in this type of service to St. James, please contact Rev. Rowan or Sharon Eversman at stevensman61@gmail.com or 406-570-3245.

ADULT FORMATION

Adult formation is temporarily on hold but will return soon!

April 19 – NEW SERVICE SCHEDULE

8:15 Early Service

10:15 Late Service

Coffee Hour following both services

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Tues	Apr 14	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (IHOP)
		7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Parish Hall)
Thurs	Apr 16	6:15 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
		7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Guild Room)
Sun	Apr 19		Third Sunday of Easter – START OF NEW SCHEDULE
		8:15 a.m.	Early Service
		9:15 a.m.	First Coffee Hour (Parish Hall)
		10:15 a.m.	Late Service
		10:00 a.m.	Sunday School (Todd Center)
		11:15 a.m.	Second Coffee Hour (Parish Hall)