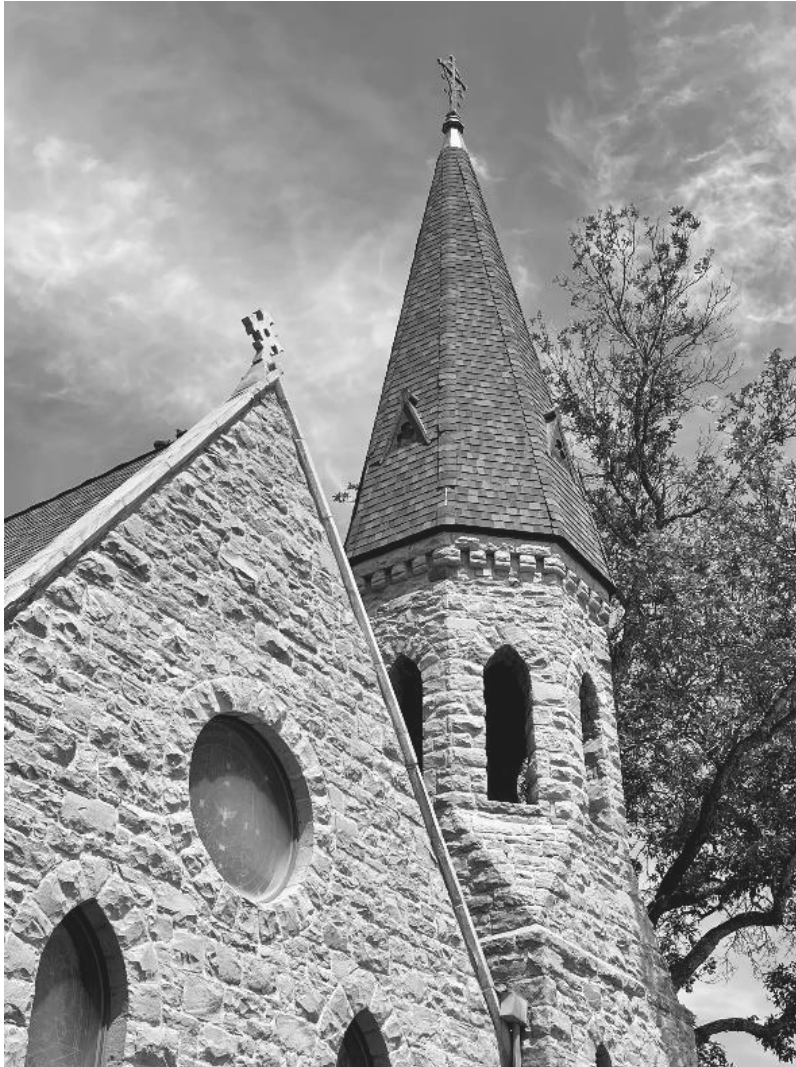




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ALL ARE WELCOME!

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 8th, 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.

PRELUDE

“Song of the Pilgrim”

Mendelssohn

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

“Father all loving, who rulest in majesty”

H82 568

1 Fa - ther all lov - ing, who rul - est in ma - jes - ty,
 2 Bless - ed Lord Je - sus, who cam - est in pov - er - ty,
 3 Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit, cre - ate in us ho - li - ness,
 4 Ho - li - est Trin - i - ty, per - fect in u - ni - ty,

judg - ment is thine, and con - demn - eth our pride;
 shar - ing a sta - ble with beasts at thy birth,
 lift up our lives to thy stand - ard of right;
 bind in thy love ev - ery na - tion and race;

stir up our lead - ers and peo - ples to pen - i - tence,
 stir us to work for thy jus - tice and char - i - ty,
 stir ev - ery will to new ven - tures of faith - ful - ness,
 may we a - dore thee for time and e - ter - ni - ty,

sor - row for sins that for ven - geance have cried.
 tru - ly to care for the poor of the earth.
 flood the whole Church with thy glo - ri - ous light.
 Fa - ther, Re - deem - er, and Spi - rit of grace.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People **Glory to God forever and ever.**

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.

GLORIA

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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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches,
 and favour is better than silver or gold.
 The rich and the poor have this in common:
 the LORD is the maker of them all.

Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity,
 and the rod of anger will fail.
 Those who are generous are blessed,
 for they share their bread with the poor.

Do not rob the poor because they are poor,
 or crush the afflicted at the gate;
 for the LORD pleads their cause
 and despoils of life those who despoil them.

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

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 125

- 1 Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, *
which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.
- 2 The hills stand about Jerusalem; *
so does the LORD stand round about his people,
from this time forth for evermore.
- 3 The scepter of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the just, *
so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.
- 4 Show your goodness, O LORD, to those who are good *
and to those who are true of heart.
- 5 As for those who turn aside to crooked ways,
the LORD will lead them away with the evildoers; *
but peace be upon Israel.

THE SECOND LESSON

James 2:1-10, 14-17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

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Thanks be to God.

1. Heal me, hands of Je - sus, and search out all my pain: re -
 2. Cleanse me, blood of Je - sus, take bit - ter-ness a - way; let
 3. Know me, mind of Je - sus, and show me all my sin; dis -
 4. Fill me, joy of Je - sus: anx - i - e - ty shall cease and

store my hope, re - move my fear and bring me peace a - gain.
 me for - give as one for - given and bring me peace to - day.
 pel the mem - o - ries of guilt, and bring me peace with - in.
 heaven's se - ren - i - ty be mine, for Je - sus brings me peace!

THE GOSPEL

Mark 7:24-37

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

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

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

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

(Hear Our Prayer)

God calls us today to be open to the world and to one another. Let us open ourselves to all the world in prayer saying, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the whole church we pray. That we may bring God's word of life to all who are in silence, darkness, or despair. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the world we pray. The nations will come to cooperate for the health and well-being of all, Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For our congregation we pray. That we may grow into the mystery of God's life among and in us, Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For our community we pray. That it might be a place of health, well-being, and personal dignity, Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For those suffering in any way we pray; especially for all who have asked for our prayers that they may know the healing power of God's love. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all mourners we pray. That all who grieve the coming death may come to know life in the mercy of God. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Into your mercy, O God, we commend all the needy world, trusting in your almighty power, through 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

“God be in my head”

Rutter

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



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharist Prayer 1 (Enriching Our Worship)

(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 truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of 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

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



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:

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant

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 your daughters and sons, 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 LORDS PRAYER

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

People and Celebrant:

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

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast**

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.*

1 As longs the deer for cool - ing streams in
 2 For thee, my God, the liv - ing God, my
 3 Why rest - less, why cast down, my soul? Hope
 4 To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, the

parched and bar - ren ways, so longs my soul, O
 thirst - y soul doth pine: O when shall I be -
 still, and thou shalt sing the praise of him who
 God whom we a - dore, be glo - ry, as it

God, for thee and thy re - fresh - ing grace.
 hold thy face, thou Ma - jes - ty di - vine?
 is thy God, thy health's e - ter - nal spring.
 was, is now, and shall be ev - er - more.

“Abide with me fast falls the eventide”

H82 662



1 A - bide with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide;
 2 I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;
 3 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
 4 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;



the dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide:
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's power?
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.
 shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;



when o - ther help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
 Who, like thy - self, my guide and stay can be?
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?
 heaven's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain sha - dows flee;



help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bide with me.
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me.
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray together

Celebrant and People:

**Almighty and everliving God,
 we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food**

of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

BLESSING

Celebrant As you have been fed by the Bread of Life in body and in spirit, may you go out into the world to invite others to the feast. May God bless you, in the name of the Creator, Savior, and Redeemer. **Amen**

CLOSING HYMN

“O for a thousand tongues to sing” H82 493

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,
2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim
3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;
4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,
5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

“Variation No.7”

Mozart

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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. 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.

COFFEE HOUR IS BACK!

Join us in the Parish Hall (turn right when you exit the sanctuary to the sidewalk, go up the ramp to the red door, inside and down the stairs) after worship each week for a sweet treat and some coffee (or tea!) and to have a chance to get to know folks in the St. James community! We are always looking for coffee hour volunteers—please let us know if you might be willing to join the team.

CHILDREN'S FORMATION @ ST. JAMES: SUNDAY SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

This fall, we are trying a new model for Children's Formation (a fancy way to talk about shaping ourselves into the people God calls us to be) that will be a little different week to week. Pick up a flyer for the month from the ushers or keep an eye on our newsletter and Events page on the website.

STUDYING & PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE BEGINS THIS WEEK

Starting, Sunday, September 8th, from 11-11:30 AM in the Guild Room, adults and teens are invited to a no-preparation-expected Christian formation offering called "Studying & Praying with Scripture." Questions: Rev. Valerie Webster vwebster587@gmail.com (406) 579-3980

WOMEN'S ECUMENICAL BIBLE STUDY FALL 2024 BEGINS THIS MONDAY

Starting Monday, September 9th from 9:30-11 AM on Mondays in the Parish Hall, St. James will host, "Jesus' Parables: A Study & Meditation." All who identify as women are invited to join. Questions: Rev. Valerie Webster vwebster587@gmail.com (406) 579-3980 or Ann Schrader aschrader54@gmail.com (406) 579-3754.

GALLATIN VALLEY INTERFAITH ASSOCIATION @ ST. JAMES THIS WEDNESDAY

If you are interested in learning about how St. James and other faith communities across the valley strive to support ecumenism and interreligious work, consider attending the GVIA meeting this Wednesday at 12:30 pm. Questions/RSVP to Moderator Rev. Valerie Webster vwebster587@gmail.com or secretary Ann Schrader aschrader54@gmail.com.

WISDOM & COMPASSION CONTEMPLATIVE RETREAT IN SEPTEMBER

You are invited to a fall retreat titled, "Wisdom & Compassion: A Timeless Christ-Centered Contemplative Journey for Uncertain Times." It will be offered the weekend of September 20-22 at Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp and mid-week September 24-26 at The Episcopal Diocese's Camp Marshall, with an optional quiet day Monday September 23rd. Questions: Rev. Valerie Webster vwebster587@gmail.com (406) 579-3980

EVERY SUNDAY HEALING PRAYERS – Every Sunday during communion, prayers are available by the sacristy door.

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 our contact person for all things pastoral care (ex: hospital visits, home visits, eucharistic ministers). Ray's cell number is 406-599-6991 and his email is Rayross555@me.com.

ORDER OF ST. LUKE – FIRST WEDNESDAYS

You are invited to the monthly Order of St. Luke meeting on the first Wednesday of the month at 11 am in the Guild Room as well as 12:05 PM healing services in the Sanctuary. Questions: Rev. Valerie Webster vwebster587@gmail.com (406) 579-3980

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

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

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Mon	September 9 th	9:30 a.m. Women's Ecumenical Bible Study (WEBS) (Parish Hall)
Tue	September 10 th	7:00 a.m. St. James Men's Bible Study (IHOP) 7:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (Todd Center)
Wed	September 11 th	12:30 p.m. Gallatin Valley Interfaith Association Meeting (Parish Hall)
Thu	September 12 th	6:30 a.m. Venture Scout Crew 7:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (Todd Center)
Fri	September 13 th	
Sat	September 14 th	
Sun	September 15 th	9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Todd Center) 5:00 p.m. Gallatin Valley Youth Group (Hope Lutheran)

THOSE IN SERVICE

Rector:	The Rev. Rowan Larson
Music:	Logan Henke, Music Director
Acolyte:	Ty Sherwood
Readers:	John Heilman, Alison Counts
Eucharistic Minister:	Nancy Blake
Ushers:	Ron Hoseth, Linda Hoseth
Videographer:	Keith Nathan
Altar Guild:	Leslie Piercy, Pat Dunn

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