

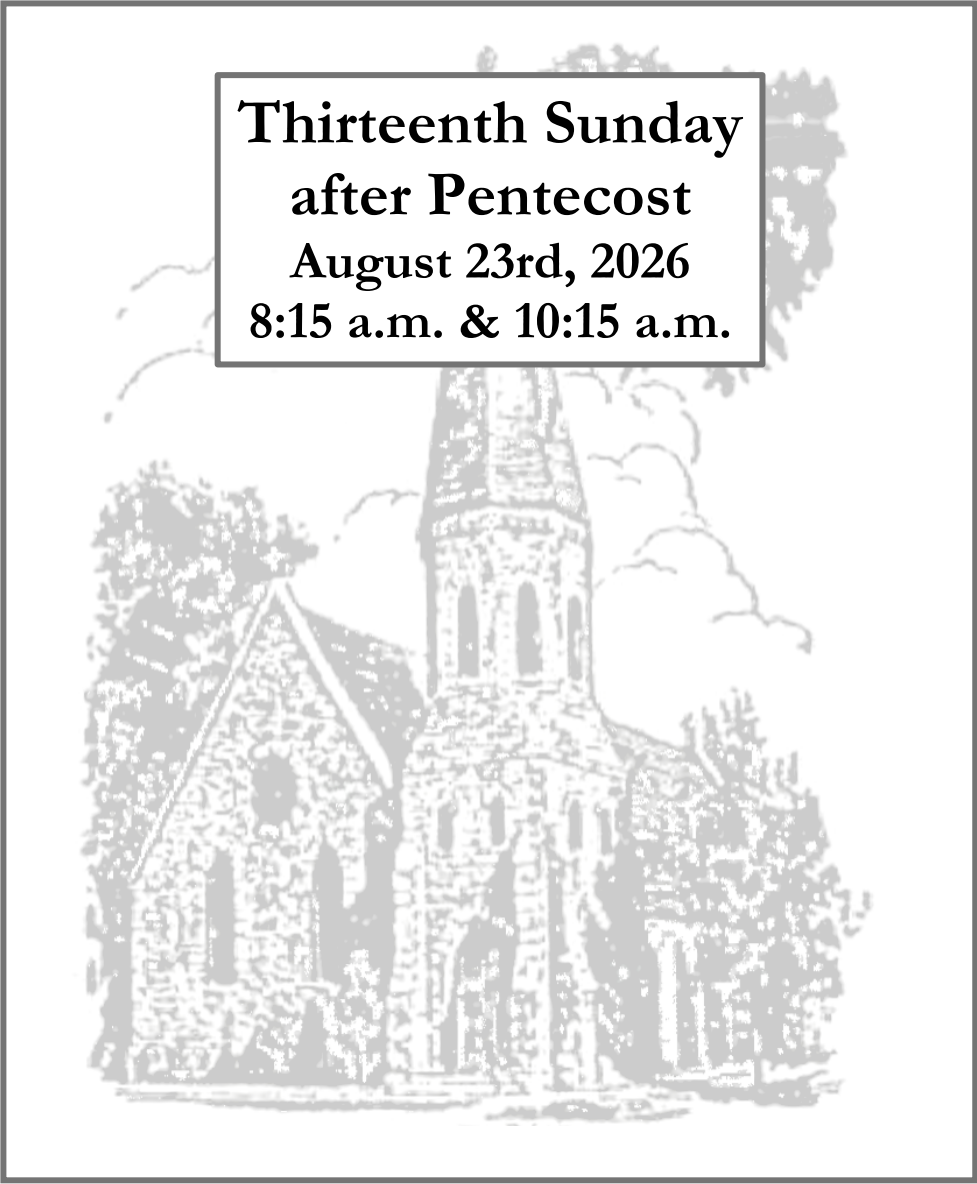


ST. JAMES

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.



**Thirteenth Sunday
after Pentecost
August 23rd, 2026
8:15 a.m. & 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 two services will be at 8:15 am and 10:15 am, both followed by Coffee Hour.

COFFEE HOUR – NOW LEMONADE AND COOKIES HOUR FOR THE SUMMER

Both services are now followed by Lemonade and Cookies Hour. Join us in the Parish Hall for some lemonade, 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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School is on summer break and will resume around Labor Day. Keep an eye out for updates!

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
8:15 Reader:	Nancy Bryant
10:15 Reader:	Kelsey Larson
8:15 LEM:	Stacy Quinn
10:15 LEM:	
8:15 Ushers:	Vicki Van Rensselaer, Tim Wilson
10:15 Ushers:	Vicki Van Rensselaer, Nicholas Addotey
Coffee Hour:	
Altar Guild:	Dale Bray, Helen Remely
Counters:	Rick Bergstedt
Guest Pianist:	Lucy Peterson

PRELUDE

“Wayfaring Stranger”

arr. Mark Hayes (b. 1953)

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

“The Church’s one foundation” (AURELIA)

H82 525

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.

GLORIA

MHSO 6



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on
earth. — Lord, God, hea-ven-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther,
Lord God, Lamb of — God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have
mer - cy on us; — you are seated at the right hand of the Fa - ther re -
ceive our — prayer. — For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,
you a-lone are the Lord, 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. A - men.

VIDAL-WHITE

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.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; 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

Isaiah 51:1-6

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness,
you that seek the LORD.
Look to the rock from which you were hewn,
and to the quarry from which you were dug.
Look to Abraham your father
and to Sarah who bore you;
for he was but one when I called him,
but I blessed him and made him many.
For the LORD will comfort Zion;
he will comfort all her waste places,
and will make her wilderness like Eden,
her desert like the garden of the LORD;
joy and gladness will be found in her,
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Listen to me, my people,
and give heed to me, my nation;
for a teaching will go out from me,
and my justice for a light to the peoples.
I will bring near my deliverance swiftly,
my salvation has gone out
and my arms will rule the peoples;
the coastlands wait for me,
and for my arm they hope.
Lift up your eyes to the heavens,
and look at the earth beneath;
for the heavens will vanish like smoke,
the earth will wear out like a garment,
and those who live on it will die like gnats;
but my salvation will be for ever,
and my deliverance will never be ended.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *
before the gods I will sing your praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple
and praise your Name, *
because of your love and faithfulness;
- 3 For you have glorified your Name *
and your word above all things.
- 4 When I called, you answered me; *
you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, *
when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *
that great is the glory of the LORD.
- 7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *
he perceives the haughty from afar.
- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand shall save me.
- 9 The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *
O LORD, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

"Like the murmur of the dove's song" (BRIDEGROOM)

H82 513

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-20

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

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

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Valerie Webster

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

BCP Form III

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church; **that we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; **that your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; **that they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; **that there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; **that our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; **that they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest. **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; **may we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Celebrant: Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever 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

8:15am

“God Who Made the Earth and Heaven”

arr. Patricia L. Harris (1939-2021)

10:15am

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Jack Burman (b. 1946)

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace.
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
I am bound for the kingdom, will you go to glory with me?
Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God.
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.
I am bound for the kingdom, will you go to glory with me?
Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
I am bound for the kingdom, will you go to glory with me?
Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

- Robert Robinson (1735-1790)

DOXOLOGY

Sung by all to the tune of OLD 100TH

Words by Roger Lynn

**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

(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:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow'r and might, heav - en 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.

PULKINGHAM

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

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

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

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

“More Love to Thee, O Christ” (DOANE)

LEVAS 87

“Take my life, and let it be” (HOLLINGSIDE)

H82 707

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

Celebrant: Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. 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

“Glorious things of thee are spoken” (ABBOT’S LEIGH)

H82 523

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

“Praise to the Living God”

Lani Smith (1934-2015)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS – Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost (August 23rd, 2026)

BIENVENIDOS WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Bienvenidos Diaper Drive. We were able to donate over \$700 worth of baby products to families in need in the Gallatin Valley area!

Going into the fall, we will maintain our partnership with Bienvenidos. However, we are shifting to collecting items for Bienvenidos’ annual Winter Clothing Drive. While we are still accepting baby items, we are asking that parishioners donate the following new or gently-used warm clothing items.

Items like jackets, snow pants, snow bibs, boots, and thermals, especially in men’s and children’s sizes, are in high demand, but any warm winter clothes are accepted!

Please leave donations in the box in the front of the Admin Wing.

ADMIN OFFICE HOURS

For the 2026-2027 school year, Juliana's office hours are:

Sunday, 10-3pm

Tuesday - Thursday, 10-3pm

If you need to schedule an appointment with her outside of office hours, please reach out via email to office@stjamesbozeman.org.

LABOR DAY SERVICE

On Sunday, September 6th, we will be holding a single joint worship service at **10 am** in **Canterbury Park** with our neighbors, First Presbyterian Church. We are also inviting our neighbors who live in HRDC's Boulevard Apartments. Following worship, there will be an expanded Coffee Hour featuring the "Great Bozeman Bake Off" cookie competition. Bring your best batch to share and compete for bragging rights.

Make sure to bring your favorite camp chair with you for worship. We have chairs at St. James you can use if you forget.

INSTRUCTED EUCHARIST

Our annual "Instructed Eucharist" is coming up on September 13th, 2026 at both Worship services. This is a special service where instead of a sermon, your clergy will pause throughout the service to talk about why it is we do what we do in worship.

There's a lot to talk about, but we want to make sure to answer your questions if you submit them ahead of time. Don't worry, no question is too silly and you won't be called out in front of anyone for having asked.



Follow the QR Code or write your questions down and put them in the labeled basket in the Narthex.

ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Please join the Engagement and Outreach Committee (EOC) for their first meeting on September 2nd at 3:30 in the Guild Room.

The purpose of the EOC is to increase engagement between St. James and the wider Gallatin Valley community. The EOC will meet on the first Wednesday of every month in the St. James Guild Room to coordinate outreach events, create partnerships with local organizations, and increase our church community outreach. All are welcome and encouraged to attend! If you need to join via Zoom, let Juliana know.

Each month, a reminder be sent out in the Parish Newsletter and Bulletin regarding the upcoming meeting, so keep an eye out for updates!

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES –

Tues	Aug 25	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (IHOP)
		6:30 p.m.	20s'/30s' @ Shine Brewing
		7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Parish Hall)
Thurs	Aug 27	7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Canterbury Park)
Sat	Aug 29	9:00 a.m.	Table & Grace Rummage Sale (Christus Collegium)
Sun	Aug 30		Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
		8:15 a.m.	Worship
		9:15 a.m.	Lemonade and Cookies Hour (Parish Hall)
		10:15 a.m.	Worship
		11:15 a.m.	Lemonade and Cookies Hour (Parish Hall)