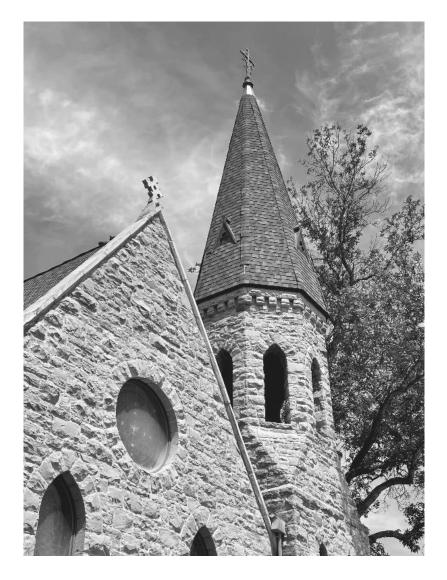


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ALLARE WELCOME!



Second Sunday of Easter April 7th, 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.

WELCOME

(please stand, as you are able)

OPENING HYMN

"Jesus is Lord"

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The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

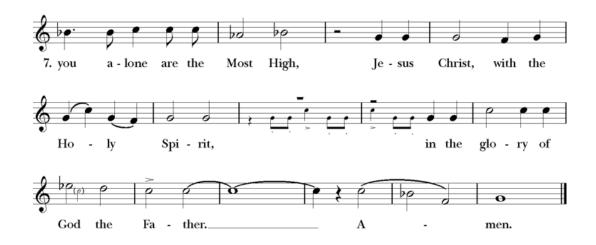
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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.

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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 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

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

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 133

- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, * when brethren live together in unity!
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the head * that runs down upon the beard,
- 3 Upon the beard of Aaron, * and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- 4 It is like the dew of Hermon * that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- 5 For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: * life for evermore.

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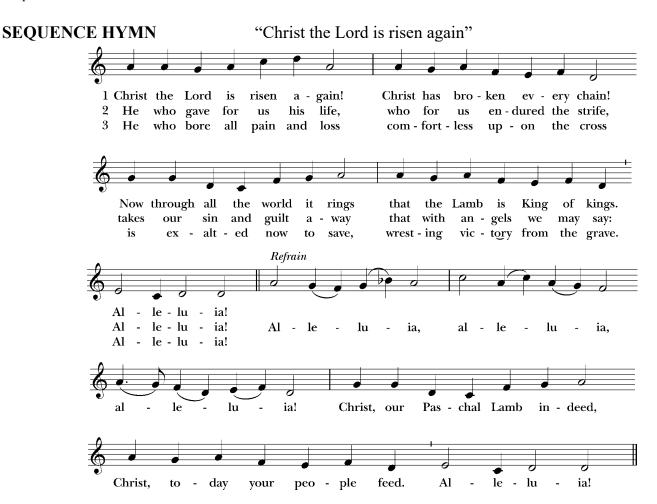
We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

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

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THE GOSPEL John 20:19-31

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

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.

THE SERMON The Rev. Rowan J. 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

God of love, we rejoice with angels, and all the host of heaven, as we celebrate the Resurrection of your Son. Bless today's joyful celebration and turn our hearts to you with new delight and commitment.

We praise you, Almighty God. Alleluia! Amen!

God of mercy, bring your church to new life. Awaken in us a faithfulness that manifests itself in joy, in dedication to work of reconciliation in the world, in care for your creation, in awe of your glory.

We praise you, Almighty God. Alleluia! Amen!

God of wholeness, bring those who suffer to new life. We pray for those who bear the burden of pain and anxiety, whose relationships are shattered, whose lives are full of despair. Lead us to find ways to be present with them and reflect your love for them.

We praise you, Almighty God. Alleluia! Amen!

God of light, bring those in authority to new life in the ways they lead their nations. Show them the path of integrity and truth that their people may live in peace, that all may have plenty.

We praise you, Almighty God. Alleluia! Amen!

God of eternity, we give thanks for those who have gone before us and have entered into new and everlasting life in your presence.

We praise you, Almighty God. Alleluia! Amen!

Celebrant: Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus

Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS, TRAVELERS, AND ANNIVERSARIES

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Easter Song"

Shared by ABBA

Hear the bells ringing they're singing

That we can be born again

Hear the bells ringing they're singing

Christ is risen from the dead

Joy to the world

He is risen alleluia

He's risen alleluia

The angel upon the tombstone said He's risen alleluia alleluia

He is risen just as He said

Quickly now go tell His disciples That Jesus Christ is no longer dead Alleluia

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

(Enriching our Worship, Eucharistic Prayer 1)

CelebrantPeopleCelebrantThe Lord be with you.And also with you.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. But chiefly are we count 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:



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 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:

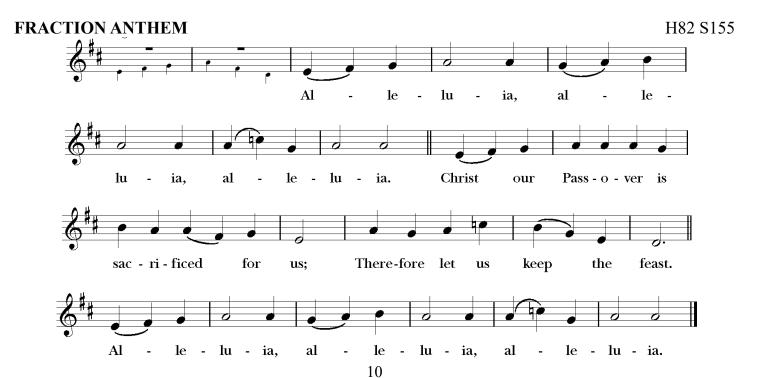
People and Celebrant:

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 INVITATION

The Celebrant offers the consecrated bread with the following invitation:

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

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.





POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray together:

Loving God,

All

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, may 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.**



THE DISMISSAL

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia!



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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.

SAVE THE DATE - SPRING CLEAN UP DAY APRIL 21

Celebrate Earth Day a day early by cleaning up the gardens and grounds of St. James after worship on April 21. There will be a potluck with hotdogs and hamburgers on the grill to fortify our volunteers. There will be jobs appropriate for all ages!

CONFIRMATION/ENQUIRERS CLASS

Join Rev. Rowan and Father Greg at 7 pm on Monday nights in Eastertide beginning April 8 for a deep dive into what we believe as Episcopalians. If you are interested in being confirmed into the Episcopal Church or received (if you were confirmed in a different denomination) let us know when you register! Register at www.stjamesbozeman.org/2024confirmation

CHILDREN'S FORMATION

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

COFFEE HOUR

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

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

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

CONTACT PERSON FOR PASTORAL CARE

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

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, Apr 8th 5:30 p.m. Confirmation/Enquirer's Class

Tue, Apr 9th 7:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous in the Todd Center

Wed, Apr 10th

Thu, Apr 11th 6:30 p.m. BSA Venture crew

> 7:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous in the Todd Center

Fri, Apr 12th

Sat, Apr 13th

Sun, Apr 14th 9:30 a.m. Third Sunday in Easter Service

THOSE IN SERVICE

The Rev. Rowan Larson Rector:

The Rev. Connie Campbell-Pearson, St. James Choir, Robin Zetzer, Steve Music:

Fladhammer

Acolyte: Ty Sherwood

Frances Graham, Peggy Bergstedt Readers:

Eucharistic Ministers: Nancy Blake

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