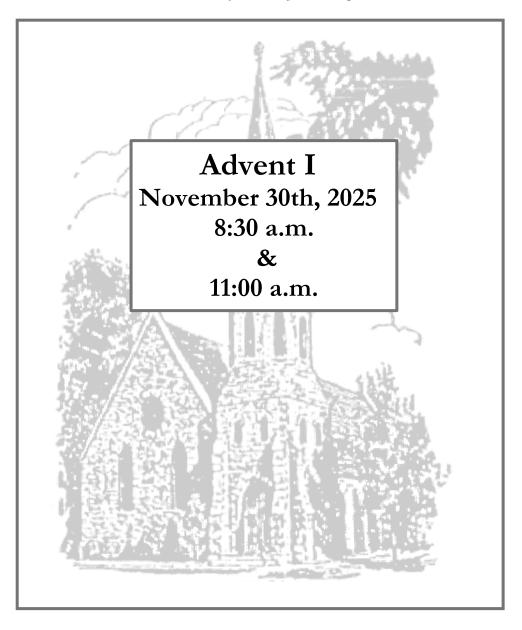


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We acknowledge that our church is on the historical Common Hunting Ground of the Pend d'Oreille, Salish, Blackfeet, Gros Ventre, Shoshone, Bannock, Nez Perce, Cheyenne, Arapahoe, and Crow Tribes.



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



PRELUDE

8:30am "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" **11:00am** "Wachet auf (Sleepers, wake!)"

arr. Edwin McLean (b. 1951) Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

"The King shall come when morning dawns" (ST. STEPHEN)

H82 73

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Celebrant

Blessed are you, our God, who created light out of darkness and sent your only Son to bring the light of your love to all people. We pray for your blessing upon this wreath and upon all who kindle these lights. As we gather together in this Advent darkness to await the dawn of Christ, prepare our hearts and homes to receive our savior.

Light 1 purple candle

"O come, O come, Emmanual" (VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL), V.1-3

H82 56

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed are you, holy and living one.

People: You come to your people and set them free.

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.

The Mass setting is from the Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena by Healey Willan (1880-1968)

KYRIE Rite II 8:30 Spoken

Lord have mercy.

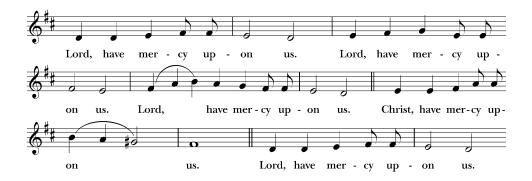
Christ have mercy.

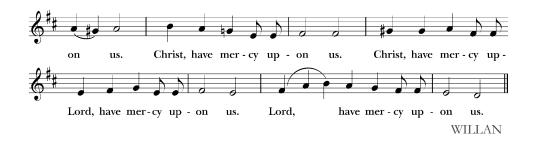
Lord have mercy.

"Lord, have mercy on us"

11:00 Sung

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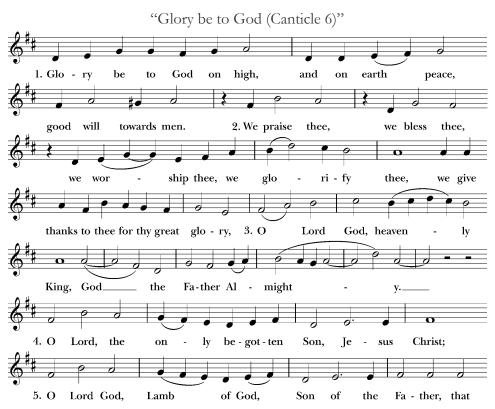
GLORIA 8:30 Spoken

Glory to God in the highest, And peace to his people on Earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father, We worship you, we give you thanks, We praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world: Have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father. Receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, In the glory of the God the Father. Amen.



11:00 Sung S202



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 God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE FIRST LESSON Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come

the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills;

all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,

to the house of the God of Jacob;

that he may teach us his ways

and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,

and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

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

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 122 Laetatus sum

8:30am Spoken 11:00am Chanted by a cantor



- I pray for your pros per i ty and peace, O Je ru sa lem.
- I was glad when they said to me, *"Let us go to the house of the LORD."
- 2 Now our feet are standing * within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 3 Jerusalem is built as a city * that is at unity with itself;
- 4 To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, * the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the LORD.
- 5 For there are the thrones of judgment, * the thrones of the house of David.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *
 "May they prosper who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your walls * and quietness within your towers.
- 8 For my brethren and companions' sake, * I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the LORD our God, * I will seek to do you good." [Ant.]

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

SEQUENCE HYMN

"Come, thou long-expected Jesus" (STUTTGART)

H82 66

THE GOSPEL Matthew 24:36-44

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON The Rev. D Gregory Smith

Please stand in body or in spirit

THE NICENE CREED

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

Let us now open our hearts and offer to God our deepest prayers as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Heavenly Father, inspire the universal church to be most concerned with living lives inspired by your Son and give us hearts that beat to serve you. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Bless those in authority, in this nation, and in all nations, with an urgency to care for all people and to undo systems of injustice. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Give us opportunities to live into our faith and identity as followers of Jesus. Open our eyes to see those around us, in our neighborhoods, schools, and places of work, who need our loving support and care. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Grant wisdom and persistence to those who seek cures and relief of pain, and heal and comfort those who suffer from illness. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Grant wisdom and persistence for the care of creation. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Grant rest eternal to those who have died and comfort to those who mourn. Grant us daily an awareness that life is precious and fleeting, that we might use our hours to your glory. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Almighty God, you lovingly created and care for us, hear now these prayers and answer them as may be best for us and for the furtherance of your redemptive grace. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPEAKER - CHASE EQUALL

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

8:30am "Noël Nouvelet!" arr. Edwin McLean (b. 1951)

11:00am "A tender shoot" Otto Goldschmidt (1829-1907)

A tender shoot hath started up from a root of grace, as ancient seers imparted from Jesse's holy race. It blooms without a blight, blooms in the cold bleak winter turning darkness into light.

This shoot, Isaiah taught us, from Jesse's root should spring. The Virgin Mary brought us the branch of which we sing. Our God of endless might gave her this child to save us, thus turning darkness into light.

- William Bartholomew (1793–1867)

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, Almighty God, 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 8:30 Spoken

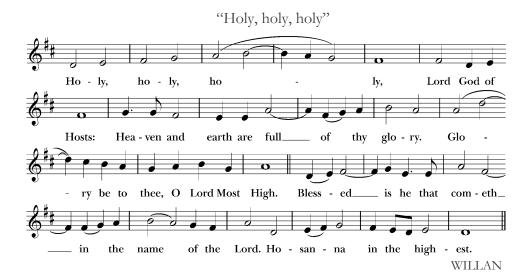
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.





Celebrant: Holy and gracious God: 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 creator of all.

Jesus 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:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Jesus Christ our Savior: By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, 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

FRACTION ANTHEM

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

8:30 Spoken



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).

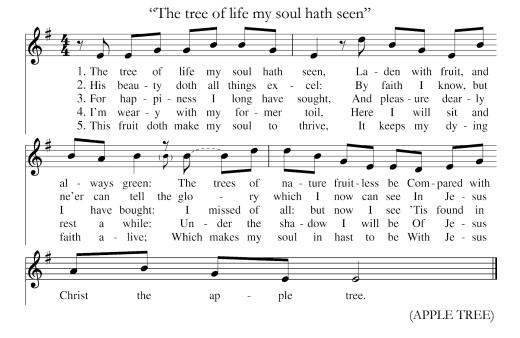
Communion is full and complete in one kind if you prefer not to receive the chalice. If you do not wish to receive the bread or the wine, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. Arioso from Ich steh mit einem Fuß im Grabe, BWV 156

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

COMMUNION HYMN

8:30am & 11:00am

WLP 749



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us, be with you now and forever. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

"How bright appears the Morning Star" (WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET)

H82 497

THE DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

8:30am "Pat-A-Pan"

11:00am "How Lovely Shines the Morning Star"

arr. Edwin McLean (b. 1951)

Diettich Buxtehude (1637-1707)



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.

COFFEE HOUR

With our new service schedule, Coffee Hour will be between our two services and run from approximately 9:30 am to 10:30 am.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – Sundays at 9:45 am

Children from PreK-5th are welcome to join us for Sunday School each week 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.

HEALING PRAYERS EVERY SUNDAY

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.

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 for validation during the week and to be added to our system.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS Advent I (November 30th, 2025)

ST JAMES' CRAFT FAIR

Our Annual Craft Fair is coming up this **December 6th from 1-4pm in the Parish Hall**. We are looking for donated hand-made items (such a jewelry, photographs, greeting cards, pottery, knitting, baked goods, and more!) Signup sheets are in the church entryway (Narthex). Please sign up as soon as possible, so we know how many donations to expect. If you have any questions, please reach out to Nancy Blake at 406-581-8999 or nkblake@gmail.com

DONATIONS FOR FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS

If you would like to make a monetary donation for Christmas flowers and decorations for St. James, checks should be made payable to St. James Episcopal Church with a notation on the memo line of the check that says Christmas Flowers for St. James. Dedication information for your donation should be e-mailed to Juliana at office@stjamesbozeman.org by **December 21**st. The names of donors and their dedications will appear in the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day service bulletins. Donations can be made in memory of someone and/or in Thanksgiving for a birth, baptism, confirmation, graduation, anniversary, for the Blessings that you've received in life.

ANNUAL MEETING 2026

Our Annual Meeting is coming up on January 25th, 2026. If you are a Ministry head, please submit your annual report information to Juliana by January 14th at EOD. Our vestry rotation is occurring during the Annual Meeting. If you would like to serve as a Vestry Member, please submit a letter or email of interest to Jessica Wilson at itwilson95@gmail.com.

CHRISTMAS GREENING & POTLUCK

Our annual greening is coming up on **Sunday, December 21st at 12:30pm** (after the 11:00am service). Please join us that afternoon in celebration to decorate the Sanctuary with evergreens. Afterwords, a Potluck will be held at **4pm in the Parish Hall**. Please bring a dish to share!

INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE VESTRY?

Our vestry rotation is occurring during our Annual Meeting on January 25th, 2026. If you would like to serve as a Vestry Member, please submit a letter or email of interest to Jessica Wilson at jjtwilson95@gmail.com.

ADULT FORMATION THROUGH THE END OF 2025

Adult Formation (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MEN'S BIBLE STUDY) will be going on hiatus until the end of the year. We will send out an announcement when we plan to return to our usual schedule.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Mon	Dec 1		
Tues	Dec 2	7:00 a.m.	St. James Men's Bible Study (IHOP)
		7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Parish Hall)
Wed	Dec 3	7:30 p.m.	Venture Scouts (Scout Room)
Thurs	Dec 4	7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Guild Room)
Fri	Dec 5	3:00 p.m.	St. Nicholas Fair Drop Off (Parish Hall)
Sat	Dec 6	1:00-4:00pm	St. Nicholas Fair (Parish Hall)
Sun	Dec 7		Advent II
		8:30 a.m.	Early Service
		9:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour (Parish Hall)

9:45 a.m.	Sunday School (Todd Center)
10:00 a.m.	NO ADULT FORMATION
11:00 a.m.	Late Service

A LOOK AHEAD

Sun	Dec 21 st		Advent IV
		8:30 a.m.	Regular Early Service
		11:00 a.m.	Lessons & Carols
		12:30 p.m.	Greening of St. James (Sanctuary) – Please join to help us decorate
		4:00 p.m.	Holiday Potluck (Parish Hall) – All are welcome!
Wed	Dec 24 th		Christmas Eve
		3:00 p.m.	Jesus' Birth Story; a Service for Young Children
		4:30 p.m.	Family Service
		9:00 p.m.	Adult Candlelight
Thurs	Dec 25 th		Christmas Day
		10:00 a.m.	Carols and Prayer
Sun	Dec 28 th	During	Ingathering
		Services	
Thurs	Jan 14 th	ALL DAY	Annual Reports due to Juliana by EOD
Sun	Jan 25 th	TIME TBD	Annual Meeting

SPONSOR A FAMILY IN NEED THIS CHRISTMAS

Dear St. James Community,

St. James is partnering with the chaplaincy at Bozeman Health to care for four families for the Christmas season. We've been advised that in the past we've picked gifts and gave, but the best thing to do would be to give gift cards. Those gift cards could be gas, food, toys, books – whatever you would like to donate! Any amount is appreciated, from stores like Walmart, Safeway, Target, grocery stores, and gas stations. This allows families to buy exactly what they need to support them this holiday season.

If you wish to purchase a gift card to donate to these families, please bring them to church and put them in the collection on the next three Sundays. We will be collecting them and giving them to the chaplaincy at the hospital for distribution. Any amount is welcome. If we have some overflow, then we will be using our clergy discretionary fund.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me directly or send a message by email to Juliana at office@stjamesbozeman.org.

- Father Greg

REQUESTING TOILETRY DONATIONS

If you have some change to spare, we are looking for toiletry donations, including but not limited to: **Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothpaste, Floss, Toothbrushes, and Menstrual Supplies.**

These donations are passed out to individuals getting Gift/Gas cards with us to alleviate further financial burden. Your help is deeply appreciated!

ORGANIZATIONS REQUESTING DONATIONS TO PROVIDE NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT

HRDC – Food Bank https://www.thehrdc.org/

Thrive https://allthrive.org/

Reach https://www.reachinc.org/

Family Promise https://www.familypromisegv.

Love Inc https://www.loveinc.org

West Yellowstone Senior Center

Bozeman Senior Center https://bozemanseniorcenter.org/

Belgrade Senior Center https://www.belgrademt.gov/351/Belgrade-Senior-Center

I-Hos Offering Community Menu https://ihoskoreangrill.com/

Fork & Spoon https://www.forkandspoonbozeman.org/

Peace of Christ Community Church Food Pantry http://peaceofchrist.church/

Livingston Food Resource Center- https://livingstonfrc.org/get-food/food-programs/food-pantry.html

Bienvenidos - https://bienvenidosgv.org

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

Choral Scholars: Karl Benjamin, Cordelia Cluett,

Chase Equall, Emma Ford, Tyler Flock,

Isabella Mudd, Gayatri Sabne

Office: Juliana Olliff

Vestry: Jessica Wilson, Senior Warden

(302)353-9578, jjtwilson95@gmail.com;

Michael Harney, Wendy Wilson, Frances Moore, Rick Bergstedt, Judi Farrington, Darin Heitt-Rennie, Matt

Kelly, Leslie Piercy

THOSE IN SERVICE

Acolyte: Ty Sherwood; Senior Acolyte

Minnie Johnson; Freshman Acolyte

Readers: 8:30am – Meta Smith, Vicki Van Rensselaer

11:00am – Alison Counts, Bryce Hughes

Eucharistic Minister: Stacy Quinn, Mary Ruebush

Ushers: Vicki Van Rensselaer, Tim Wilson,

Coffee Hour: Judi Farrington Videographer: Keith Nathan

Altar Guild: Pat Dunn, Julie Videon, Leslie

Piercy

Counters: