

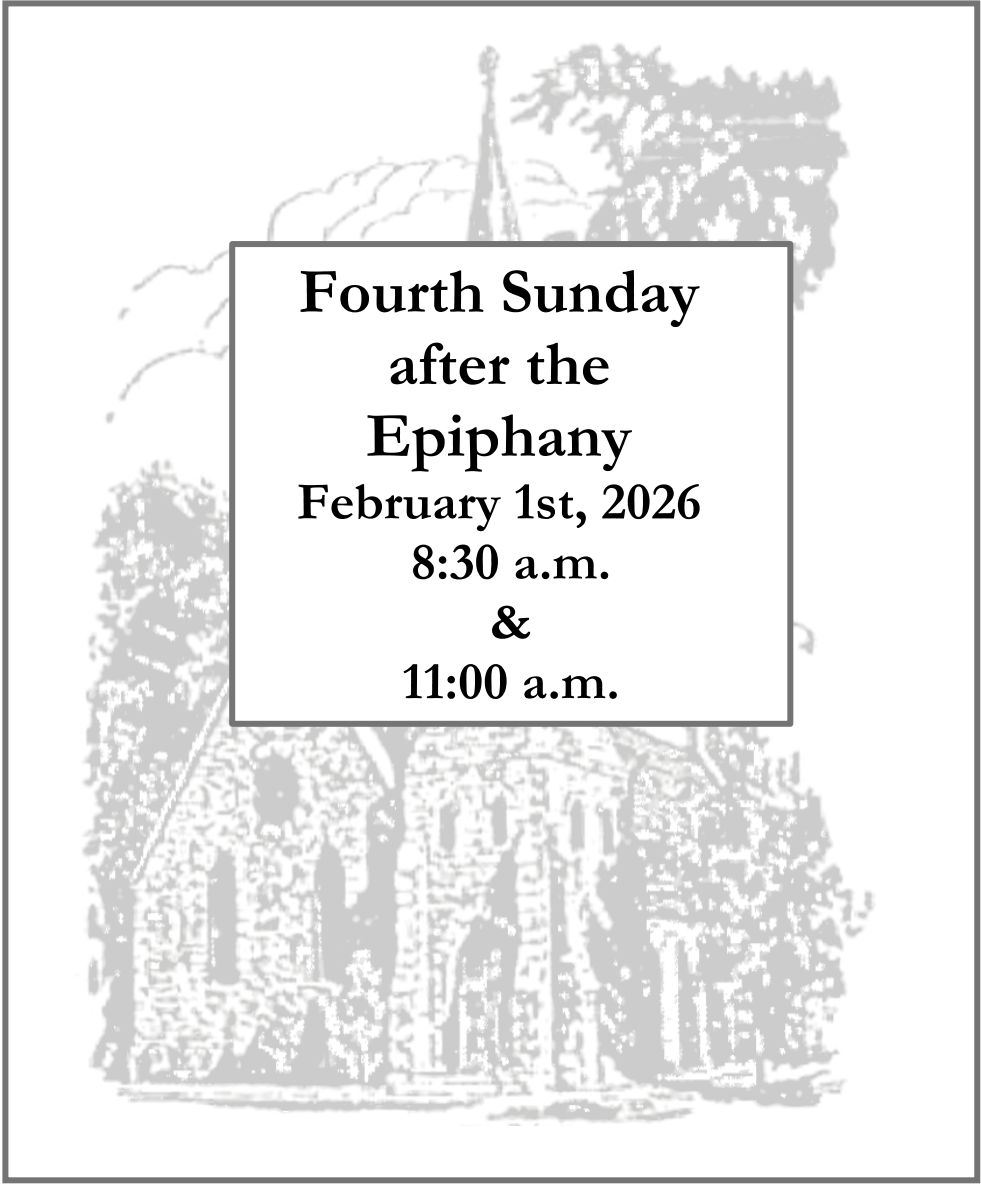


ST. JAMES

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.



**Fourth Sunday
after the
Epiphany
February 1st, 2026
8:30 a.m.
&
11:00 a.m.**

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



WELCOME TO ST. JAMES!

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 is now between our two services and runs from approximately 9:30 am to 10:30 am.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – Sundays at 10:45 am in January!

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 to park there during the week and to be added to our system.

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Stacy Quinn; Acolyte
Readers: 8:30 – Michael Fox
11:00 – Michael Fox
Eucharistic Minister: 8:30 – Nancy Blake
11:00 – Mary Naumann
Ushers: 8:30 – Keith & Markie Nathan
11:00 –
Coffee Hour: Annette Leahy-Judkins
Altar Guild: Dale Bray, Julie Videon
Counters:

PRELUDE

8:30am “Du bist die ruh (You are my peace)”

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

11:00am “In Peace and Joy I Now Depart”

Deitrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

“God of the prophets, bless the prophets’ heirs!”(TOULON)

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OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed are you, holy and living one.

People: **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

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 (Gloria, Sanctus, and Fraction Anthem) is by William Mathias (1934-1992)

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.

“Glory be to God (Canticle 6)”

S278 | 11:00 *Sung*

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -

might - y 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.

MATHIAS

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; 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

Micah 6:1-8

Hear what the Lord says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,
 and let the hills hear your voice.

Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord,
 and you enduring foundations of the earth;
 for the Lord has a controversy with his people,
 and he will contend with Israel.

“O my people, what have I done to you?
 In what have I wearied you? Answer me!
 For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,
 and redeemed you from the house of slavery;
 and I sent before you Moses,
 Aaron, and Miriam.
 O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,
 what Balaam son of Beor answered him,
 and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,
 that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.”

“With what shall I come before the Lord,
 and bow myself before God on high?
 Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings,
 with calves a year old?
 Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
 with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?
 Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
 the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”
 He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
 and what does the Lord require of you
 but to do justice, and to love kindness,
 and to walk humbly with your God?

Reader: Hear what the spirit is saying to God’s people.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 15 *Domine, quis habitabit?*

Spoken

- 1 Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
 who may abide upon your holy hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
 who speaks the truth from his heart.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue;
 he does no evil to his friend; *
 he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.
- 4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, *
 but he honors those who fear the Lord.
- 5 He has sworn to do no wrong *
 and does not take back his word.
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, *
 nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
- 7 Whoever does these things *
 shall never be overthrown.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
 and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews

demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

Reader: Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

"Where charity and love prevail" (CHESHIRE) v. 1-3 before Gospel reading

H82 581

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

"Where charity and love prevail" (CHESHIRE) v. 4-6 after Gospel reading

H82 581

SERMON

The Rev. Rowan J. Larson

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand in body or in spirit

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,**

God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God,
 begotten, not made,
 of one Being with the Father;
 through him all things were made.
 For us and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven,
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
 and became truly human.
 For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered death and was buried.
 On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the Scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father,
 who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
 who has spoken through the prophets.
 We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hear our Prayer

God of blessings hear our prayers and act swiftly to answer them as we say, **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Embolden your church, that it may fearlessly accept its mission to bring light and love into the world without judgement. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Keep the needs of the most vulnerable foremost in the minds and intentions of our elected leaders and public servants, that the dignity of all may be preserved and the welfare of our whole nation increased. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Help us to ground our choices in our concern for those most impacted by climate change and in the need to preserve the abundance of creation for future generations. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Shower your blessing on this congregation that they might know and feel your presence in their lives and act in the confidence of your love for the good of all. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Bring wholeness and peace to all who suffer, free them from their afflictions and instill in them the hope of Christ. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Welcome in your embrace all those who have died and so guide our lives that we may confidently look forward to our reunion with them and you. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: God of true wisdom who through Christ has given us the model of human life, so inspire us that we might live always in the joy of our salvation and greet with joy the day of your coming. **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.

THE 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

8:30am "When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known" Wilbur Held (1914-2015)

11:00am "Nunc dimittis from Service in G" Stanford

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.
Amen.

- The Song of Simeon

DOXOLOGY

Sung by all to the tune of OLD 100TH

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:

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.

“Holy, holy, holy”

S128 | 11:00 *Sung*

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven 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.
MATHIAS

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

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

Have mercy on us.

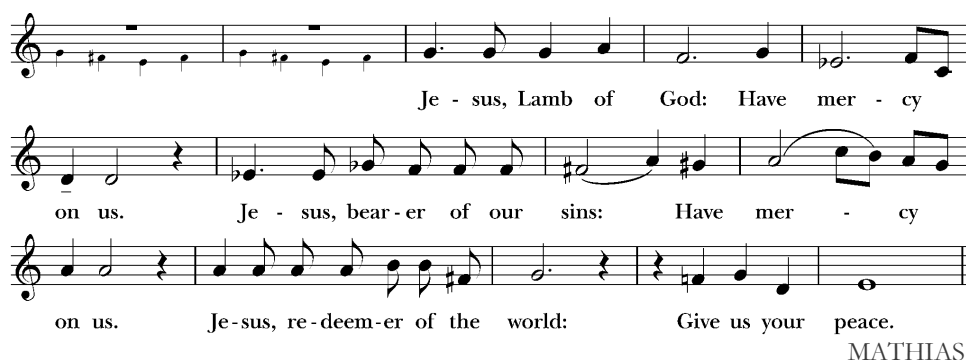
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

Grant us your peace.

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.

COMMUNION HYMN

“Lord God, you now have set your servant free” (SONG 1)

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“Lord I Have Seen Thy Salvation” (THY SALVATION)

LEVAS 153

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray together:

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

THE BLESSING

Celebrant Life is short. We don't have much time to gladden the hearts of those who walk this way with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind. And may the blessing of God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be with you today and always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

“Hail to the Lord who comes” (OLD 120th)

H82 259

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.

People : **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

8:30am “March Grave”

Arthur Metzner (1851-1914)

11:00am “Toccata in F Major”

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany (February 1st, 2026)

2026 PARISH SURVEY

If you missed our Annual Meeting but would still like to leave feedback for the church, please take our 2026 parish Survey. You can scan the QR code to the right or visit our website at this page:

<https://subsplash.com/u/-V9PVP9/forms/d/4b3b07f6-505e-48a4-802e-3c9640d1da0d>



STEWARDSHIP

We are two-thirds of the way to our goal for 2026! No gift is too small. Please prayerfully renew your commitment (and consider an increase, if you are able) to sustain our shared future. You can return your pledge card by mailing it to the church directly with attention to: The Treasurer, adding it to the offertory plate, or by making your secure pledge online at www.stjamesbozeman.org/give and select “Pledge” for fund.

In gratitude, The Stewardship Committee

CRAFT TIME FELLOWSHIP UPDATE – LOCATION HAS CHANGED

The Craft Ministry location is changing starting in February. The group will now meet at City Brew coffeehouse, off of 19th Ave, next to Mattress Firm. We will still meet the 2nd Saturday of the month from 10am-Noon. Everyone is welcome regardless of type of craft you like to do. Enjoy working on your project and sharing fellowship. The February meeting is Feb. 14. If you would like to be on the reminder list, please email Nancy

Blake: nkblake@gmail.com

ADULT FORMATION OFFERINGS

Sunday Lenten Study: offered on Sundays in Lent between the services and led by Deacon Lynne, beginning February 22.

Wednesday Lenten Study: offered on Wednesdays (February 18th and 25th, March 4th, 11th, and 18th) from 10:30-11:30am in the St. James Guild Room. Focuses on studying and praying with the Parables of Jesus.

Friday Night Book Discussion: Friday, February 13th, 27th, and March 13th, from 6-8p.m. in the Parish Hall. We will discuss *The Tears of Things* by Richard Rohr. Please email Pr. Valerie at vwebster587@gmail.com with questions.

Cycles of Life: Interreligious Panel: Friday, February 13th from 11:30a.m.-12:30p.m. at Hope Lutheran Church. This discussion will focus on Leaving a Legacy: The End of Life.

Rabbi Edstafman, Rabbi Emeritus of Congregation Beth Shalom; the Rev. Zach Bechtold, Lead Pastor at Bozeman United Methodist Church; and the Rev. Valerie Webster, Priest Associate at St. James Episcopal Church, will serve as the panelists. Please email Pr. Valerie with questions.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Tues	Feb 3	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (IHOP)
		7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Parish Hall)
Thurs	Feb 5	6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
		7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Guild Room)
Sun	Feb 8		Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany – Scout Sunday
		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