

**“I SHALL GIVE THEM ONE HEART, AND
SHALL PUT A NEW SPIRIT WITHIN THEM.”
- EZEKIEL 11:19**



Mr. Matt Wilson, delivering the charge to graduating seniors
Bozeman Christian School
an integral ministry of Christ's Church in Bozeman

**“And behold, the veil of the temple was
torn in two, from top to bottom...”
*Matthew 27:51***

“Follow through in 2022!!”

June 5, 2022

Christ's Church

Meeting at

30 Red Fox Lane — Bozeman

2902 17th St. S. — Great Falls

Holiday Inn Express — Butte

BOZEMAN - 8:45 -

9:00 am - classes

10:00 am - Assembly

Prayer med - Phil Sutton

L.S. - Davis Ashley

Preaching - Luke Wilson

L.D. EVENING 7:00 PM -

L.S. - Jeff Landsgaard

BUTTE - 7:30 pm - Classes

8:15 pm - Assembly

L.S. - Cole Hunsicker

Preaching - Jay Wilson

Bozeman

Young Adult Fellowship – Sat. June

18, 5:00 pm. Bozeman beach cook-

out. More info, contact Andrew

GREAT FALLS - 2:45 - Stan Zech

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly

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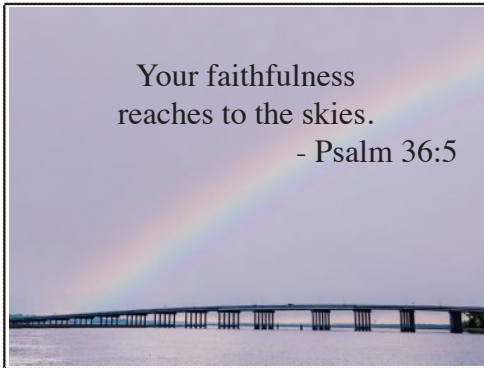
L.S. - Brent Borelli

Preaching - Jay Wilson

Butte

Fellowship dinner - June 19

Your faithfulness
reaches to the skies.
- Psalm 36:5



BOZEMAN -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm: Phil Sutton on "The Gold Standard" Matt. 7:12

GREAT FALLS -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm: "Perfectionism" - debate video

Montana Youth Camp

- June 12-17

- Beartooth Campground

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Great Falls

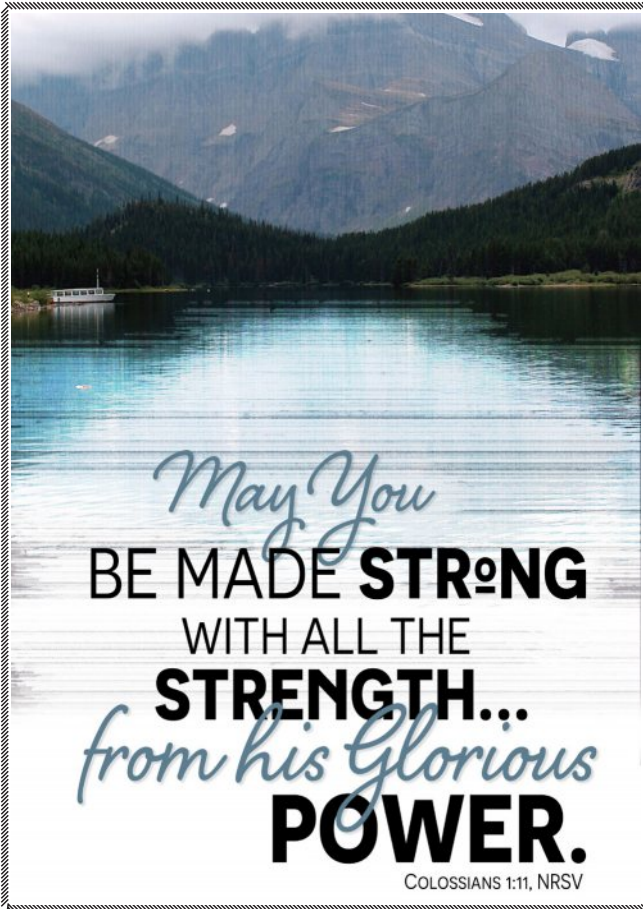
Fellowship dinner, today -- June 5

VBS – June 27-30

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Men's Peaks - July 21-23, 2022

Family Camp - Sept. 2-5, 2022



Question of the week:

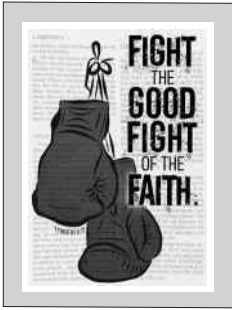
Abiathar and Zadok the priests came to David in the wilderness as he left Jerusalem during the rebellion of Absalom, they brought something with them. What was it?

Last week's question: As Jesus talked to the apostles in connection with instituting the Lord's Supper, He laid down a condition under which someone could be His friend. What was that condition? *Answer: "If you do what I command you" (John 15:14).*

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 57
Morning Assembly – 80
Evening Assembly – 51

Wednesday Night (6/1) – 94
Butte Lord's Day – 11
GF Lord's Day – 47,61 Wed. - 36



The Epistles to the Evangelists

Some Qualities of a Bishop

The apostle Paul is taking some time to list some of the qualities that man must possess in order to be appointed an elder (or bishop). The purpose of listing these qualities is to form a set of guidelines to illustrate the *character* of the man rather than a mere checklist of externals. These are brought forth against the backdrop of a man who aspires to do the work of a bishop; the man must first be interested in serving the Lord, in keeping the mission of the church as seeking and saving the lost, and he must truly love the eternities of the sheep for which he will be their shepherd.

- **Above reproach**—One of the first qualities on the list in assaying the character of the man who is being considered for the office of overseer is that he “must be above reproach” (1 Timothy 3:2). This means that any charges that might be brought against this man by his enemies or detractors would simply fall to the ground because there would be no solid basis for them. This is important because overseers are highly visible leaders in a congregation function in accordance with the directives of scripture. Disgruntled members or members who are going to undergo discipline must not be able to secure a foothold to direct criticism toward the church leadership, which grumblers generally do in order to divert attention away from themselves.
- **Temperate**—The core thrust of “temperate” is to be free from the influence of alcohol (which is why it is often translated “sober”), but the broader meaning in its application to the office of overseer has to do with being able to think clearly and evaluate issues in their relative order of importance. There has to be a great deal of “mental control” for the elder to function dispassionately in many situations, and to keep the congregation on its God-ordained course.
- **Prudent**—*Prudence* and *discretion* involve using good judgment. People in the congregation are described as “sheep,” and sheep have to be led rather than pushed. Much “good judgment” is necessary when the eldership is dealing with the saints in the congregation, in motivating them, in interacting with them intelligently, in providing an atmosphere of spiritual growth and sustenance, in thinking ahead.
- **Respectable**—Just as the godly woman is to be *discreet* in her choice of clothing, and *modest* in her exhibition of herself in accordance with the time and customs wherein she lives, so the bishop is to be *discreet* in his interaction with people, and he is to be *modest* or *respectable* in his exhibition of character. He is able to engage socially with people in accordance with the manners and customs of the times and the culture in which he negotiates, and his honesty, integrity, and uprightness of character garner for him *respect* from those around him.
- **Hospitable**—The root meaning of this term is “love for strangers” from the Greek, and similar for the Latin roots of “hospitable” (enjoying the company of guests or strangers). The home of the bishop or pastor is a welcoming one, which draws people into discussions about Christ and their own spiritual growth.

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All the above are “people-oriented” terms. They illustrate the *persona* of one who has good people skills, one who has overall good judgment in his interaction with fellow men and fellow saints, and one whose character cannot be legitimately attacked. He does not have to thrust himself forward as a leader; his leadership qualities shine through and brethren automatically look to him for direction and wisdom. The true elder can engage socially with older saints, he can intersect well with younger brethren and couples, and he can have positive interchanges with children as well. He is drawing people in rather than pushing them away. The same qualities we see exhibited in Christ in the sacred writings!

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