

“Then the priests brought the ark of the covenant of the LORD to its place, into the inner sanctuary of the house, to the most holy place, under the wings of the cherubim...It happened that when the priests came from the holy place, the cloud filled the house of the LORD, so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud, for the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD.”

-- 1 Kings 8:6,10,11



Mr. Jerry Hoffman's lonely pickup
church building parking lot in the latter half of February
Christ's Church, Bozeman, MT

**The gospel of God, promised in the OT scriptures,
focuses on “His Son, who was born of a
descendant of David according to the flesh, who
was declared the Son of God with power by the
resurrection from the dead, according to the Spirit
of holiness, Jesus Christ our Lord...”**

Romans 1:3,4

Fully ALIVE in 2025 - "It is the Spirit who gives life..." - John 6:63

February 23, 2025

Christ's Church

Meeting at

30 Red Fox Lane — Bozeman
2902 17th St. S. — Great Falls
Holiday Inn Express — Butte

BOZEMAN - 8:45 - Elliot Ashley

9:00 am - classes

10:00 am - Assembly

Prayer med - Phil Sutton

L.S. - Jim Mitchell

Preaching - Luke Wilson

L.D. EVENING 7:00 PM -

*** PHIL SUTTON - ON MARRIAGE**

L.S. - Jeff Landsgaard

GREAT FALLS - 2:45 - Stan Zech

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly

St'dship - Levi DuPaul

L.S. - Zac Zech

Preaching - Caleb Wilson

BUTTE - 7:30 pm - Class

8:15 pm - Assembly

L.S. - Jason Shanahan

Preaching - Tom McDunn

Bozeman

Feb. 23 - Fellowship dinner following assembly. Theme: Italian

Butte

Mar. 16 - Fellowship dinner - 6:30 pm before assembly



BOZEMAN -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:

Luke Wilson

GREAT FALLS -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:

Jay Wilson

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bible Bowl - March 15, 2025

College Camp - March 21-23, at Camp Utmost

Ladies' Advance - May 1-3, 2025 at Fishtail

MT Youth camp - June 8-13 at Fishtail

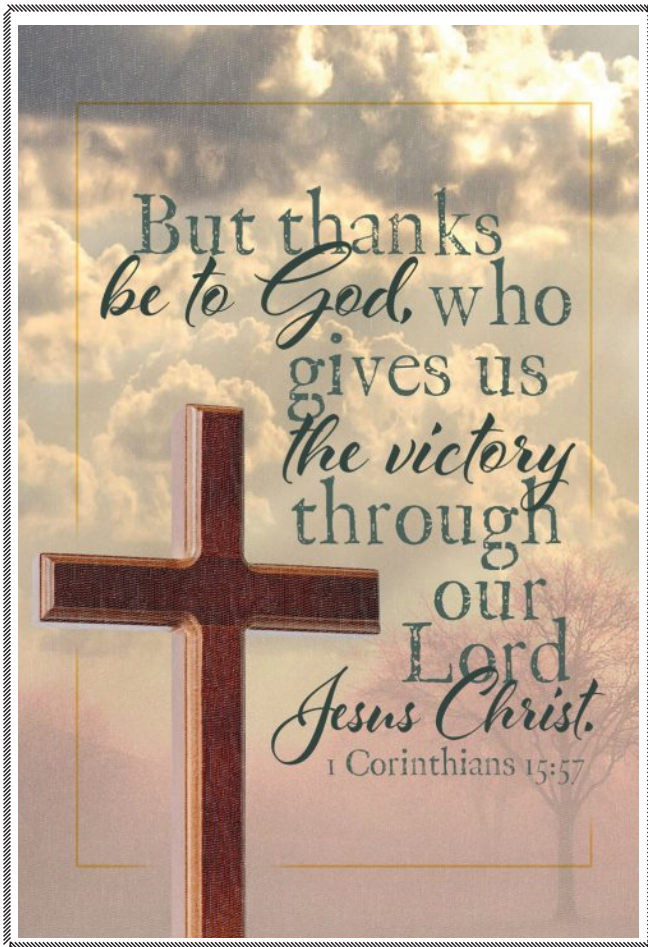
Men's Peaks - July 24-26, 2025

Family Camp - Aug. 29 - Sept. 1, 2025

Great Falls

Mar. 2 - fellowship dinner.

Theme: "chili bar"



Quotation of the week:

Jesus is the only One permanently resurrected from the dead. Those whose resurrections are recorded in scripture, such as Lazarus, were only temporary; each of them died, and must await the general resurrection of the dead at Jesus' second coming. Jesus was raised from the dead on third day following His crucifixion, and appeared in such a way that His body was recognizable by key witnesses. But on the fortieth day from His resurrection, He ascended to the right hand of the Majesty on high, transmogrified into what the apostle Paul called "the body of His glory" (Philippians 3:21). Thus, "He is the beginning, the first-born from the dead." *"Colossians"* (More about the resurrected Christ)

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 60
Morning Assembly – 96
Evening Assembly – 52

Wednesday Night (2/19) – 33
Butte Lord's Day – 8
GF Lord's Day – 64,86 Wed. - 44



Reasonings from Revelation

Two More Horsemen of Revelation

The first living creature, seeming to be like one of the cherubim which had appeared to Ezekiel, called for John to come, and he saw in the vision the white horse and its rider go forth. This points to the message of the gospel of Christ as a powerful and ultimately conquering force on earth. Another creature called for John, and he looked and saw the red horse and its rider released when the second seal was broken. This clearly represents the fearful force of war, something that will plague earth and provide continual upheaval for its inhabitants until Jesus comes again. But two more seals must be broken to release the next two horsemen.

- **The black horse** – The Lamb in the center is now ready. “And when He broke the third seal, I heard the third living creature saying, ‘Come.’” Once again, John is invited to watch closely. “And I looked, and behold, a black horse; and he who sat upon it had a pair of scales in his hand” (Revelation 6:5). More information is necessary. “And I heard as it were,” comments the aged apostle, “a voice in the center of the four living creatures saying, ‘A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius, and do not harm the oil and the wine.’” (Revelation 6:6). A quart of wheat for a day’s wage or three quarts of barley for a day’s wage is expensive, indicating a shortage of foodstuffs. And when the voice in the center of the throne says to be careful of the oil and wine (don’t spill any!), the picture is that of famine. Shortage of food is one of the forces at work on the earth’s population. Weather-driven famines can be devastating, causing whole populations to migrate. Even worse are man-made famines, which are directed at targeted populations in order to bring them into submission under tyranny.
- **The ashen horse** – Now John is set for the fourth horseman (but not the end of the vision of the seven seals). “And when He broke the fourth seal,” the apostle recalls, “I heard the voice of the fourth living creature, saying, ‘Come.’” (Revelation 6:7). Each time a seal has been broken, John has been invited in for a closer look. “And I looked,” he says, being in the vision himself, “and behold, an ashen horse; and he who sat upon it had the name Death; and Hades was following with him. And authority was given to them over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by the wild beasts of the earth” (Revelation 6:8). The word “ashen” is sometimes translated “pale”; in this context it refers to what is sometimes called “deathly pale,” referring to the color of the body when the blood flow is restricted or stopped. This horse and its rider are clearly identified with the force that continually plays in the mind of man — death and concomitant fear of death. Hades, the realm where the spirit and soul of those outside of Christ go following physical death on earth, is pictured as scooping up those who have fallen after the horseman has passed by. “Fear of death,” said Hebrews’ author, makes mankind “subject to slavery all their lives” (Hebrews 2:15). In the vision, death has power over “a fourth of the earth”; presumably, each of the other horsemen has power over his “fourth of the earth.” Not surprisingly, the victims of the ravages of war and famine also end up under the auspices of the ashen horse and his rider.

“The four horsemen of Revelation,” then, are not specific units of time or specific armies. They represent forces pressing on the minds of men globally, and they will continue to be four core factors in men’s decision-making processes and in men’s environments until the second coming of Christ (the finale). White: Christ and the gospel; red: war and its devastation; black: famine and its effects; ashen: death, and its pressure on the minds of men. Encouragingly, He who rides the white horse, who wears the crown, “went out conquering, and to conquer.” Jesus Christ and His gospel message will win!

**He who rides
the white
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