

**“I will surely tell of the decree of the LORD:
He said to Me, ‘You are My Son,
Today I have begotten You.
‘Ask of Me, and I will surely give the nations as Your
inheritance,
And the very ends of the earth as Your possession.
-- Psalm 2:8,9**



Boys playing basketball during afternoon break
on the grounds of Christ's Church in Bozeman
Family Camp 2025

**“It is not for you to know times or epochs which the
Father has fixed by His own authority; but you will
receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you;
and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in
all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of
the earth.”**

ACTS 1:7,8

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

September 21, 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 - Justin Shanahan

L.S. - Jeff Landsgaard

Preaching - Luke Wilson

L.D. EVENING 7:00 PM -

***GOSPEL OF JOHN MOVIE - CHAPTER 3**

L.S. - Bob Edgar

GREAT FALLS - 2:45 - Stan Jones

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly

Stdship - Jon Reijgers

L.S. - Bobo Womagnio

Preaching - Jay Wilson

BUTTE - 7:30 pm - Class

8:15 pm - Assembly

L.S. - Jay Wilson

Preaching - Jay Wilson

Bozeman

Congratulations to **Taryn O'Connell** who was immersed into Christ on Thurs. Sept. 18 by Jody Shanahan!

Butte

Oct. 19 - Fellowship dinner at 6:30 before assembly



BOZEMAN -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:

Luke Wilson

GREAT FALLS -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:

Jay Wilson

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Spiritual Warriors - October 24,25, 2025

Bible Bowl - March 14, 2026

Ladies' Advance - TBA, Missoula ladies in charge

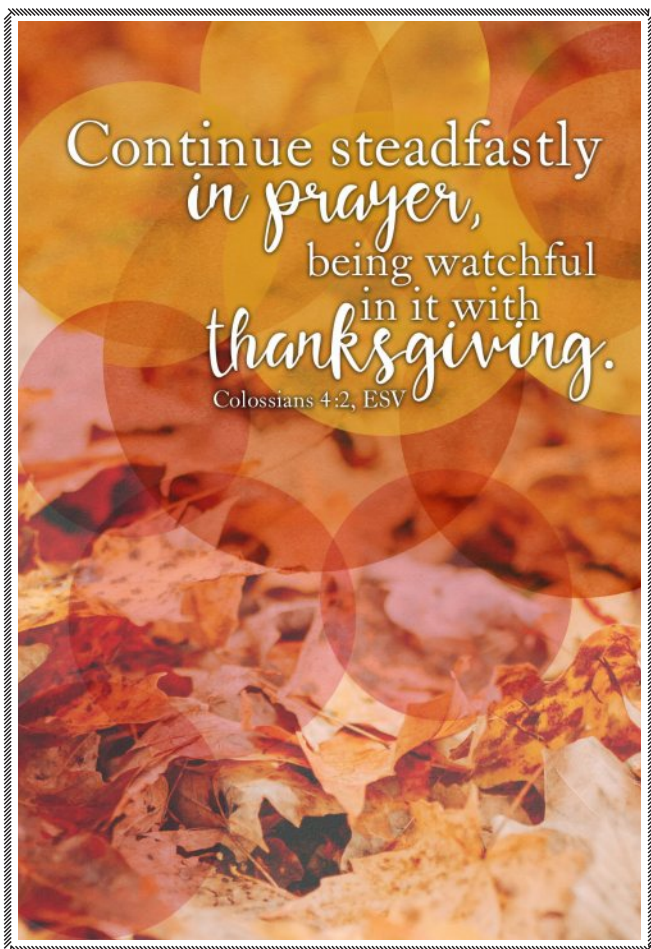
Youth Camp - June 14-19, 2026

Men's Peaks - July 23-25, 2026

Family Camp - Sept. 4-7, 2026

Great Falls

Sept. 21 - Fasting and prayer for evangelism



Quotation of the week:

But the instant man rebelled, the heavens were overcast, the Sun lost his brightness, the earth its fertility, the air its salubrity, Eden its bloom, woman her beauty, and man his crown. Nature was immediately diseased in all her members. A consumption was introduced into her whole system, which must issue in a universal decline. The leprosy continued to spread until the whole habitation of man was infected. Human enjoyment was poisoned at the fountain, and all its streams were corrupted. The fruit of every tree degenerated, and the tree of life was rendered inaccessible to mortal man. -- Alexander Campbell, *1830 Millennial Harbinger*, Vol. 1, No. 3 "History of sin"

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 66
Morning Assembly – 115
Evening Assembly – 66

Wednesday Night (9/18) – 48
Butte Lord's Day – 11 (ph:3)
GF Lord's Day – 78,90 Wed. - 55



Reasonings from Revelation

Perseverance of the Saints

The road to the saint's developing maturity in Christ is not designed to be easy, any more than the chick's pecking at its shell to be set free is designed to be easy. The strength and perseverance the chick gains in pecking at its shell are what are necessary for life outside the shell, and if the shell is broken for the chick by some well-intentioned person, the chick will soon die. "Tribulation," wrote Paul to the Roman brethren, "brings about perseverance; and perseverance, proven [tested] character (Romans 5:3,4). The discipline of the Lord, tendered to all who are legitimate children of faith, is tailor-made for each saint to help him develop the perseverance necessary to maintain his faith firm to the end.

- **The setting** – Three angels have flown in succession, each with his message. The first stated that the hour of judgment had come, the second that Babylon the great had fallen, and the third that everyone who worships the beast and his image will be tormented forever. Can the saint take courage that "Babylon's end" is in sight? Can the saint carefully process that those who are deceived or pressured into worshipping the beast and his image will be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and the Lamb Himself? "Here," then, is the comment, "is the perseverance of the saints, who keep the commandments of God and their faith in Jesus" (Revelation 14:12). (Literally, the verse speaks of keeping the commandments of God "and the faith of Jesus." Tremendous perseverance, by the hand of the Lord, is needed to keep the commandments of God in seeking and saving the lost, as well as maintaining the doctrines of "the faith" of Christ and the exhibition of the character consistent with that faith. As Jesus issued His motivating challenge, "However, when the Son of Man comes, will He find 'the faith' on the earth?" (Luke 18:8).
- **Blessed** – The spiritual seas are rough and roily, and the coast is treacherous; few indeed are those who make it to the safe and final harbor. Then John hears another loud voice, this time (in the vision) from heaven. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on!" (Revelation 14:13). Happy and exalted indeed are those who die in faithful fellowship with the Lord.
- **Rest and reward** – More information: "'Yes,' says the Spirit, 'that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow with them'" (Revelation 14:13). "I have fought the good fight," affirmed the apostle Paul, "I have finished the course, I have kept 'the faith'" (2 Timothy 4:7). The example of Paul is the epitome of what it means to have labored, and recipient of the commendation accruing to him and which accrues to all who labor for the faith of Christ. In the heat of the battle, the voice of the apostle can be heard above the din, "Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord" (1 Corinthians 15:58). And there is the reward for the faithful: "In the future," avers the apostle, "there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day," to which he appends, "and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His appearing" (2 Timothy 4:8). "Their deeds," all those good works for which those who were created in Christ executed, do indeed "follow with them."

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"They rest from their labors." Those who have labored and suffered for the Lord will in no wise be denied their reward, if indeed they are "in Christ." As the writer of Hebrews noted, "There remains therefore a Sabbath rest for the people of God" (Hebrews 4:9). As God rested from all His works at Creation, the faithful saint, when he can cry out with the Lord, "It is finished," will enter His rest, fully in force at Jesus' return. This reward, to have Jesus say, "Well done, good and faithful slave," (Matthew 25:21), is worth all the tribulation and perseverance!