

**“O LORD, You are my God;
I will exalt You, I will give thanks to Your name;
For You have worked wonders,
Plans formed long ago, with perfect faithfulness.”
--- Isaiah 25:1**



Men gathered for annual prayer for the new year
for God's blessings, Christ's church,
evangelism, and praises and thanksgivings
Jan. 1, 2026
Christ's Church in Bozeman

**“A crowd was sitting around Him, and they *said to Him,
'Behold, Your mother and Your brothers are outside
looking for You.' Answering them, He *said, 'Who are My
mother and My brothers?' Looking about at those who
were sitting around Him, He *said, 'Behold My mother
and My brothers! For whoever does the will of God, he is
My brother and sister and mother.'”**

Mark 3:32-35

On Christ our eyes are fixed in 2026 - (Heb. 12:1,2)

January 4, 2026

Christ's Church

Meeting at

30 Red Fox Lane — Bozeman

2902 17th St. S. — Great Falls

LaQuinta Inn — Butte

BOZEMAN - 8:45 - Luke Jacobs

9:00 am - classes

10:00 am - Assembly

St'dship - Daniel Arriaga

L.S. - Su Nguyen

Preaching - Luke Wilson

L.D. EVENING 7:00 PM -

***GOSPEL OF JOHN MOVIE - CHAPTER 17**

L.S. - Gary DiPaolo

GREAT FALLS - 2:45 - Stan Zech

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly

St'dship - Jon Reijgers

L.S. - Zac Zech

Preaching - Caleb Wilson

BUTTE - 2:00 pm - Classes

3:00 pm - Assembly

L.S. - George Stone

Preaching - Jay Wilson

Butte

Jan. 18 - Fellowship dinner following assembly



BOZEMAN -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:

Luke Wilson

GREAT FALLS -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:

Jay Wilson

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bible Bowl - March 14, 2026

College-ish meeting - Mar. 20-22 Camp Utmost

Ladies' Advance - April 23-25, Beartooth Camp

Youth Camp - June 14-19, 2026

Men's Peaks - July 23-25, 2026

Family Camp - Sept. 4-7, 2026

Great Falls

Jan. 4 - fellowship dinner following assembly



Quotation of the week:

“By it [the word of God] we are said to be purified, sanctified, begotten again, enlightened, saved. Nothing is so much extolled; no instrument so powerful, energetic, and effectual; so well adapted to its end, as the word of God. Every great moral change in man is ascribed to it; and it is uniformly presented to us as the great instrument of God’s almighty power. It is the voice of the Almighty.” -- Alexander Campbell, *The Millennial Harbinger*, Mar. 1, 1830, “The Voice of God and the Word of God”

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 50
Morning Assembly – 101
Evening Assembly – 48

Wednesday Night (12/31) – 47
Butte Lord’s Day – 10 (ph: 6)
GF Lord’s Day – 69,88 Wed. - 56



Reasonings from Revelation

Revelation's "Hallelujah Chorus"

The judgment of God on Babylon has been set out and described as completed, with other judgments to follow. General worldliness, driven by the merchants of the earth and the "great" men, has been shown to be the evil that it is in the sight of God, and the great harlot who represents her corruption has been exposed.

- **First "hallelujah"** – The reader is transported with the apostle John to the next scene. "After these things I heard, as it were," John records, "a loud voice of a great multitude in heaven" (Revelation 19:1). The great multitude is pictured as in heaven and having watched the destruction of "Babylon the great." And the multitude is saying, "Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God" (Revelation 19:1). Yes! It always begins with praises to Him who is the origin of

all! And why the praise in this case? "... because His judgments are true and righteous; for He has judged the great harlot who was corrupting the earth with her immorality, and He has avenged the blood of His bond-servants on her" (Revelation 19:2). The first "hallelujah" ["hallelujah" means "praise Yahweh"] comes in praise of the Almighty's judgments upon Babylon and for His avenging the blood of His bond-servants (good to know).

- **Second "hallelujah"** – More judgment for Babylon! "And a second time they said, 'Hallelujah! Her smoke rises up forever and ever.'" (Revelation 19:3). This is similar to the scene Abraham viewed after the destruction of Sodom, Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboiim: "Now Abraham arose early in the morning and went to the place where he had stood before the Lord; and he looked down toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the valley, and he saw, and behold, the smoke of the land ascended like the smoke of a furnace" (Genesis 19:27,28). As impressive as that was, it would have been very small compared to the portrayal of the destruction of "Babylon the great."
- **Third "hallelujah"** – Who is next? "And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who sits on the throne saying, 'Amen. Hallelujah!'" (Revelation 19:4). This casting down of "Babylon" is clearly a significant spiritual event.
- **Fourth "hallelujah"** – The great multitude in heaven has twice shouted its "hallelujah!" This was followed by the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures. "And a voice came from the throne, saying, 'Give praise to our God, all you His bond-servants, you who fear Him, the small and the great.'" (Revelation 19:5). Now all the bond-servants of God are brought in for the fourth "praise God"! "And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude and as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty peals of thunder, saying, 'Hallelujah! For the Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns.'" (Revelation 19:6). "Babylon the great" is gone; that phase of God's judgment has taken place. Mighty and maximum praise is indeed due Him who alone could accomplish such a large-scale victory in the spiritual realm.

The first "hallelujah" is in praise of judgment upon "Babylon"

It is interesting that the word "Hallelujah" is used in the New Testament in only these four places in Revelation chapter nineteen. Three of those four point to praising the Lord for His great judgment upon "Babylon" and the other praises Him directly for His ability to reign in righteousness.

Early in the book of Revelation, from underneath the altar described in the opening of the fifth seal, the martyrs for the faith cry out, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, will You refrain from judging and avenging our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" (Revelation 6:10). Those who take a true stand for Christ are a small minority of the population, and are often persecuted. "Shall not God bring about justice for His elect, who cry to Him day and night?" (Luke 18:7).

"And in her ["Babylon"] was found the blood of prophets and of saints and of all who have been slain on the earth" (Revelation 18:24). "Hallelujah" for God's judgment upon her. "Hallelujah" that the smoke of her torment goes up forever and ever. "Hallelujah," and "Amen." And, "Hallelujah" that it is the Almighty and righteous God who reigns!

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