

Thank you for visiting Saint James Episcopal Church. Please help us get to know you by completing this card. You may drop it in the offering plate or hand it to one of our greeters.

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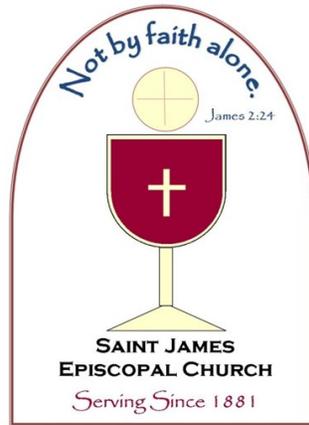
Email _____

I/we would like to visit with Reverend Susan Eades. She may contact me _____

Please add me to your mailing list.

I am interested in Bible and other study groups of Saint James.

Other thoughts you would like to share?



Greetings in the name of our Lord.

Welcome! It is my great pleasure to meet you. My name is Sue Eades. I am the Priest at Saint James Episcopal Church in Dillon, Montana. Whatever your reason for being here, you are welcome.

Members of this church love the Lord and strive in their lives to emulate the life modeled for us by Jesus. We believe that Jesus lived, died, and rose again for the salvation of our souls—indeed, for all of creation. The people of Saint James gather to worship and work as commanded and commissioned by our Lord.

We are Saint James' church. By what we do, and how we live, you will know we are people of faith. As written in the Letter of James, *Someone will say, "you have faith and I have works." Show me your faith without works, and I by my works will show you my faith.—James 2:18.*

Compassion and hospitality are hallmarks of our church. You may be amazed at our tender love for each other, and our individual and shared ministries. We believe we are present at Saint James by God's own call. If God is calling you here, we say, "Welcome."

In His service,
Sue Eades+

Welcome to Saint James Episcopal Church



*We are Christ's own.
We exist to follow His commandments
to love God and to love our neighbors
as ourselves.*

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Spring 2018 at Saint James

Wednesday morning

Bible study group meets at the church at 9:30 am. Current topic: The upcoming Sunday lectionary

Sunday afternoon

4-6 pm Discussion of various topics

Taizé Worship Services

Taizé worship services will be held at 6:30 pm on the last Wednesday of the month various times throughout the year. Help in setting up and tearing down is always welcome.

Wood Bank

The Community Wood Bank needs help cutting, splitting, and loading firewood. Call the Wood Bank 406-596-3690

Food Pantry Sundays

On the last Sunday of each month, contributions to the Beaverhead Community Food Pantry are gathered and blessed during worship services. A basket to collect items is located in the narthex.

Server Ministries

If you would like to train to be an Acolyte, Eucharistic Minister or Eucharistic Visitor or would like to read the lessons in church just let us know.

Coffee Hour Hosts

Hosting Coffee Hour is an important ministry. We at St. James place great value in our time of fellowship and we would love to have you be a part of that valuable ministry.

Opportunities to support the Nursery

There is always an opportunity to help us make sure there is a nursery available through your generosity in helping to fund it. \$28.00 a week makes that a reality. We thank you !!!

Ministries of Saint James

The Beaverhead Community Food Pantry and the Wood Bank (providing firewood to needy households) are the primary local charities supported by Saint James. Individually and corporately, members support the Montana Episcopal Diocese's Camp Marshall at Flathead Lake, and contribute to Episcopal Relief and Development, reaching out nationally and internationally to those in need. A Prayers for the Church brochure is updated each month and available in the pews or online.

Worship Services

Regular Episcopal worship services are held on Sundays at 10 am.,. Sunday school for children takes place during regular Sunday worship services. Taizé worship, and other special services are scheduled.

Members actively participate in worship service, and all baptized believers are welcome at the Eucharistic table. Coffee hour following worship is an important time for fellowship, and we invite you to join us.

Staying In Touch

The Vine and Branches, the church newsletter, is produced bi-monthly and circulated electronically. Copies are available at the church and in the Guild Hall, and on our web site: www.saintjamesdillon.org.

About the Episcopal Church

Episcopalians are followers of Jesus Christ, our Lord. We believe in the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We strive to love our neighbors as ourselves and respect the dignity of every person. The Episcopal Church is part of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and traces its heritage to the beginnings of Christianity.

Our liturgy retains ancient structure and traditions and is celebrated in many languages. We uphold the Bible and worship with the Book of Common Prayer.

Holy Communion may be received by all baptized Christians, not only members of the Episcopal Church. All are welcome to find a spiritual home in the Episcopal Church.

Lay people have a vital role in the governance and ministry of our church. Both men and women are eligible for ordination as deacons, priests and bishops.

We believe in amendment of life, the forgiveness of sin, and life everlasting. We affirm that committed relationships are lifelong and monogamous. However, Episcopalians recognize that there is grace after divorce and do not deny the sacraments to those who have been divorced.

We affirm that issues such as birth control are matters of personal informed conscience.

We celebrate our unity in Christ while honoring our differences, always putting the work of love before uniformity of opinion. To learn about the Episcopal Church nationally and internationally, visit www.episcopalchurch.org.

A Bit of Local History

The first Episcopal worship service was held in the brand new town of Dillon on February 10, 1881. On July 2, 1882, the cornerstone for Saint James Episcopal Church was laid. The first worship service was held in the church November 19, 1882. Saint James Church was consecrated August 31, 1887. The church has been in use ever since, and the building retains its historic character—with improvements like electric lights and a gas furnace, as well as a pipe organ and beautiful stained glass windows. The parish became a corporate entity under Montana law in 1910. Saint James Guild was organized by the women of the church in 1883. The Guild Hall adjoining the church was built in 1911, and since then has served as a community center for the church and Dillon.