

“For all of them were trying to frighten us, thinking, ‘They will become discouraged with the work and it will not be done.’ But now, O God, strengthen my hands.”

-- Nehemiah 6:9



Eagles and eagles' nest
north shore of Delmoe Reservoir
on the way to Peaks 2026

“Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; persevere in these things, for as you do this you will ensure salvation both for yourself and for those who hear you.”

1 Timothy 4:16

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

July 26, 2026

Christ's Church

Meeting at

30 Red Fox Lane — Bozeman

2902 17th St. S. — Great Falls

LaQuinta Inn — Butte

BOZEMAN - 8:45 -

9:00 am - classes

10:00 am - Assembly

Prayer med - Peter Ashley

L.S. - Steve Icenogle

Preaching-Marshall Harbour

L.D. EVENING 7:00 PM -

***FULFILLED PROPHECIES - DAVIS ASHLEY**

L.S. - Craig Augustin

GREAT FALLS - 2:45 - Bobo Womagno

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly

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L.S. - Steve Durnan

Preaching - Caleb Wilson

BUTTE - 2:00 pm - Classes

3:00 pm - Assembly

L.S. - Jay Wilson

Preaching - Jay Wilson

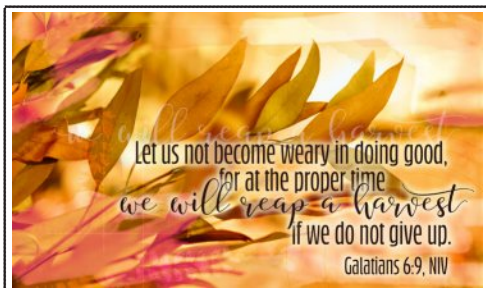
Bozeman

Aug. 2 - Picnic in the park - **4:00 pm**, Dinosaur Park Pavilions, singing and Lord's Supper

Aug. 23 - Going away party for the **Suttons**, fellowship dinner following assembly

Butte

August 16 - Fellowship dinner following assembly



BOZEMAN -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:

Luke Wilson - "The Minor Prophets"

GREAT FALLS -

Wed. night, 7:00 pm:

Caleb Wilson - *Equipping for the work of service*

*Congratulations to **Xavier***

***Pace**, who was immersed into Christ on Mon. July 20 in the Missouri River by **Caleb Wilson**!!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

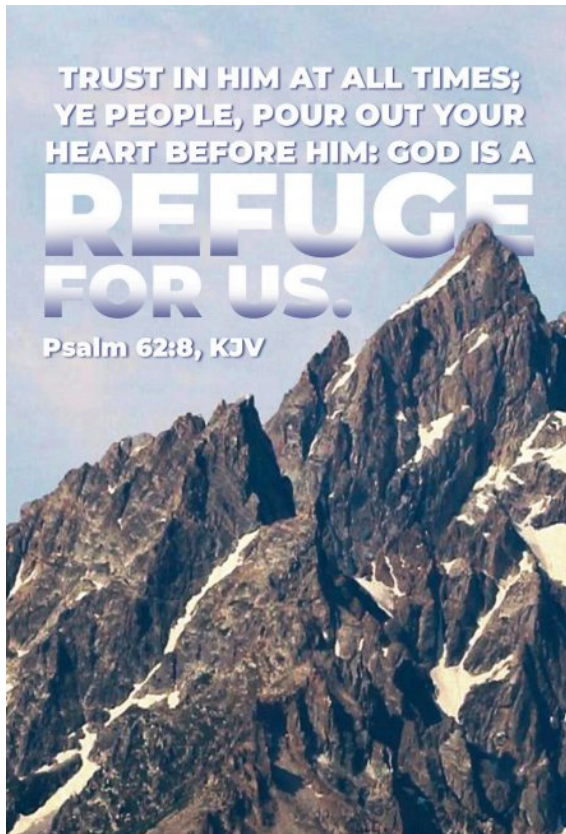
Family Camp - Sept. 4-7, 2026; "Awesome Prophecies from Psalms"

Great Falls

Aug. 2 - Fellowship dinner following assembly

Bozeman

Congratulations to **Rio Koford**, who was immersed into Christ at Delmoe Reservoir on Thurs. July 23 by Luke Wilson!!



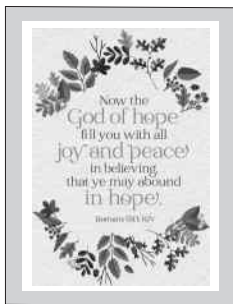
Quotation of the week:

“But indeed conversion and perfection differ so essentially that the former signifies what the truth of God does with us, while the latter describes what we ourselves do with the truth. Conversion signifies the turning of the man to God by the truth of the gospel. Perfection imports that the man has turned the truth of the gospel to the perfection of his own nature and the formation of his character. The first describes what God has done for us, the last signifies what we, by aid of God’s commandments, must do for ourselves. This, says Paul, we desire, even your perfection.” -- Walter Scott, *The Evangelist*, Feb. 1, 1840, “Perfection No. 3”

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 65
Morning Assembly – 120
Evening Assembly – 61

Wednesday Night (7/22) – 44
Butte Lord’s Day – 16 (ph: 1)
GF Lord’s Day – 55, 92 Wed. - 50



“What then?” - Apostle Paul to the Romans

Becoming Fools

“Where is the wise man?” Paul had asked the congregation in Corinth (1 Corinthians 1:20). Implicit in the way he asked the question was that the “wise man” was quickly brushed aside by the gust of truth that blew in through the door. Man by his reason and observation can understand that there is an orderly Creator; hence turning away from Him is deliberate and thus inexcusable. But it requires the injection of information from the Creator Himself into mankind’s thought sphere in order for man to be able to know God. “I know, O Lord,” commented Jeremiah, “that a man’s way is not in himself; nor is it in a man who walks to direct his steps” (Jeremiah 10:23). Man clearly needs help. Thus God progressively communicated

to man through what has become the scriptures, laying the groundwork in Old Testament times for the coming of Jesus Christ. And of the coming of Jesus it was written, “No man has seen God at any time; the only begotten God, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him” (John 1:18). Only through Jesus Christ is it possible to know God.

- **Professing to be wise** – The ancients, then, turned away from Him who delivered Noah and his family from the wrath of the Flood. As the apostle Paul had stated, “they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened” (Romans 1:21). Plunging into the darkness, they imagined themselves to be more than they were, not needing or heeding the Creator God. “Professing to be wise, they became fools” (Romans 1:22). Moderns follow the same path, positioning their evolutionary mythology as being “enlightened” and all their modern thought trends as being the best that mankind has ever had to offer. Fools! “The fool has said in his heart, ‘There is no God.’” Psalm 14:1).
- **Trading out God’s glory** – Satan, “the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience,” pushes men in the direction of idolatry (Ephesians 2:2). Thus the darkened minds of the ancient civilizations “exchanged the glory of the incorruptible God for an image in the form of corruptible man and of birds and four-footed animals and crawling creatures.” What an exchange! The *glory* of the incorruptible God for a physical image of some creature! The prophets of God, then, mock those who make idols and then worship them. Isaiah describes how the carved idol of wood is lifted on the shoulders of men, set in place (and it does not have the ability to move from where it is set). He then laughingly points out, “Though one may cry to it, it cannot answer; it cannot deliver him from his distress” (Isaiah 46:7). This clearly establishes how confused masses of men can become when they turn away from Him who is the giver of life and author of salvation.
- **God gave them over** – In the world of the Old Testament, most nations had their own god, their own idol; Chemosh for Moab, Ashtoreth for the Sidonians, and Molech for the Ammonites (1 Kings 11:7,33). Amazingly whole societies are willingly bamboozled into worshipping and serving these gods. Part of the appeal of pagan deities is that the people are allowed to degenerate into whatever immoral practices attract them. God basically says, if that is what you want, that is what you get. “Therefore God gave them over,” observes Paul, “in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, that their bodies might be dishonored among them” (Romans 1:24). God gave them over... Man, created in the image of God, thus descends into the slime of corruption and immorality, with the attendant destruction that always comes with such rampant selfishness.

Here, then, is the inspired observation of the spiritual destruction of the human race: “For they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen” (Romans 1:25). Sad, dark, and greatly in need of the light of the gospel of Christ.

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