

CALENDAR UPDATE

ONGOING EVENTS

Tuesday Evenings	Men’s Bible Study—7:00pm—VCOC building—Teen Class Room
Tuesday Evenings	Ladies Bible Study—7:00pm —VCOC building—Ladies Classroom
Thursday Evenings	Palmer Small Group—The group will meet at 6:30pm and have rotating locations. Jeff Porter is the contact—907-290-0870
NEW Thursday Evenings	Big Lake/Wasilla Small Group—Beginning October 12— The group will meet at 6:30pm and have rotating locations. First meeting is at the Rormans. Ben Rorman is the contact for this group 701-818-7532
Sunday Evenings	McGill/Reichel Small Group—530-7:30pm—This group will meet every other week at rotating locations. Contact Troy McGill or Beth Reichel. See insert for more information
Sunday Evenings	Young Adult Group meets at 5:00pm on Sunday evenings with rotating locations. Mike Katkus is the contact.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October	Youth Schedule —See Insert
September 18-2023 April 1, 2024	Valley Bible Institute —Sunset Class, Via Zoom— Acts of the Apostles, September 18, 2023-April 1, 2024—On Mondays— 7:00-8:00pm—Contact Adam Hanshew
October 10	Budget Meeting—7:00pm —VCOC Building, Teen Room
October 15-18	A Bible Seminar , Healing Hurting Families, East Homer church of Christ—Guest Speaker: Donnie Bates, Bear Valley Institute— Flyers are on the table in the foyer
October 20-21	Men’s Retreat Anchorage —See insert
October 27-29	Ladies Retreat VCOC —See Insert

- **HEALTH CONCERNS:** **Sandra Crockett**, Scott’s mother; **Catherine Endersby**, Shannon Ross’ grandmother; **Jessica Gipson**; **Hanna Cross**, Tim Caraway’s niece, degenerative joint disease; **Jean Hess**, Bruce’s mother; **Aspen Kuenning**; **Margaret Parker**. The following are suffering from cancer; **Lauri Bowers brother Tom cancer** an radiation burns, **Jackie Dowdy**, Jason’s mother; **Dean Johnson**; Maggie Kofstad’s brother **Gary**; **Richard Lawson**; **Alice Thorne**, Gary Skan’s sister.
- Continue to pray for **Derek Berg**, **Ed Cook**, **Bonnie Murrill**, **Jayden Scott**.

“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests”. *Ephesians 6:18*

PRAYER REQUEST

As you pray, please remember those listed below:

- Please be in prayer for Jason Murphy’s mother, **Margaret**. She is having health issues.
- **Debbie Hartley’s husband, Jim**, will have surgery some time in October.
- **Rob VanDussen** is scheduled for surgery on October 16.
- **Nathan Gardner’s mom, Lorraine**, has been diagnosed with cancer and a plan of action is underway. Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Please be in prayer for **Brent Noe’s father**. He continues to have strokes and body and memory are failing quickly.
- Please keep **Monte and Janet Grow** in your prayers. Monte is having health issues.
- Please keep **Sandy Shacklett and her family** in your prayers. They are having some particularly difficult situations in their lives.
- Kim Delph requested prayers for her **Brother’s family** for a very serious on going situation.
- **Josephine Goyer** is in need of encouragement and motivation. Please keep her in your prayers.
- **Fletcher Collins** ongoing health issues.
- **Michael Street** ongoing medical and health issues.
- **Brent and Brenda Noe, Patricia Houser and Tim and Kelly Caraway** are in Deering for the school year.
- Please be in prayer for **Mykaela (McMullen) Lee** that she has a safe pregnancy and delivers a healthy baby.
- Please be in prayer for the **Safe Families Ministry**, for those serving, and for those who need its service.
- Please keep the Smith Family, **James, Andrea, Clara, Lydia** and **Gideon**, in your prayers as they are in the Mission Field in Albania.
- Please be in prayer for our four young adults, **Kyah Morris, Makenna Paine, Joseph Potter and Joshua Gardner**, in the AIM (Adventures in Missions) program at Sunset International Bible Institute in Lubbock, Texas.
- We have one young adult in the Mission Field: **Kinley Scott**, Apaxco, Mexico. Please keep her in your prayers as she spreads God’s word around the world.
- Please be in prayer for our **Mission Team** as they spread Gods word in the Valley and around the State.
- We have many **members of our family** traveling.
- Pray for our **family members** to walk worthy of our calling.
- Pray for our **Country and its leaders** that they may lead us in a way that is pleasing to God.



SUNDAY ASSEMBLY

	October 8, 2023	October 15, 2023
Opening Prayer	Jason Gardner	Layne McDowell
Song Leader	Bruce Hess	Adam Kuenning
Scripture Reading	Titus Caraway	Bruce Hess
	Matthew 26:30-56	Matthew 26:57-75
Prayer	Monty Howes	Sawyer Collins
The Lord’s Supper		
In Charge	Alex Hess	Chuck Sutton
Assist	Jeff Porter	Tyler Williams
Assist	Logan Decker	Luke Gardner
Assist	Cale Garrett	Ben Rorman
Assist	Tim McEntarffer	Matt Paine
Assist	Drew Hanson	Grayson McDowell
Scripture Reading	Tyler Williams	Craig Elledge
Lesson	Robert Kuenning	Mike Katkus
Closing Prayer	Michael Rosebeary	Jarrett Finley
Announcements	Scott Crockett	Scott Crockett

WEDNESDAY ASSEMBLY

	October 11, 2023	October 18, 2023
Opening Prayer	Wilson Hess	Luke Gardner
Song Leader	Logan Decker	Daniel Noe
Devo (5 Min)	Sawyer Collins	Matt Paine
Class Lesson	Craig Decker	Craig Decker
Closing Prayer	Tyler Williams	Drew Hanson



ATTENDED NURSERY

For your convenience we offer an attended nursery in room #3 for children age 3 and under. There is a training room for older children at the back of the auditorium.



FELLOWSHIP MEAL CLEAN-UP SCHEDULE

Oct 8—Elledge, Elliott, Finley S—Kitchen; Finley J, Galbier—Fellowship Hall
 Oct 15—Gallegos, Gardner J, Gardner N—Kitchen; Garrett, Hanson—Fellowship Hall

DEACONS

Advanced Bible Education—Adam Hanshew
 Benevolence—Jason Gardner
 Education—Shaphan Collins
 Building and Grounds—
 Business/Finance—Layne McDowell
 Fellowship—Scott Crockett
 Missions—Jason Gardner
 Online Ministry—Brady Kuenning
 Prison Ministry—
 Seniors—Jarrett Finley
 Services—Rocky Murrill
 Youth—Alex Hess

YOUTH SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER

15 October, 5:00-7:00pm; Teen event hosted by the Crocketts. Food provided. More details to follow.



YOUTH GROUP

Use the QR code to the left to stay connected with the Valley Youth Group events on WhatsApp—Contact Alex Hess for more details 850-381-4907



SUNDAY SMALL GROUP

Use the QR code to the left to stay connected with the McGill/Reichel Sunday Small Group on WhatsApp. The group will meet 5:30-7:30 every other Sunday at various homes. Contact Beth Reichel/Troy McGill

BAPTISM

Scarlett O’Hara was baptized into Christ on Sunday, October 1, 2023. Praise God for Scarlett’s decision to obey and follow Him. CONGRATULATIONS!!

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy goes out to **Sheila Collin’s and family**. Her step dad, Doug Johnson, passed away last week while on a trip to Arizona. The Johnson’s live in Valdez. Please keep the entire family in your prayers.

MEN’S RETREAT—ANCHORAGE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Attention Gentlemen. Save the dates of **October 20-21** for the Men’s Retreat. It will be held in the Anchorage church building. For those who have not attended a Men’s Retreat, this is a time for the men to get together from all across the state to spend some time in God’s Word and in fellowship. This year the speaker will be Dale Jenkins from the Jenkins Institute. Please Register. Registration forms

CARE PACKAGES FOR OUR LUBBOCK AIMERS

Adam and Natalie Kuenning are putting together care packages for our Lubbock, Texas Aimers. Letters of encouragement for Makenna, Kyah, Joshua and Joseph would be great. Letters will be collected until October 8th. Please contact Adam or Natalie if you have questions.



Ladies Retreat

Hosted By
Valley Church of Christ

Harvesting Godly Friendships

October 27th-29th, 2023
1125 Majestic View Circle, Wasilla Ak
Please RSVP at <https://forms.gle/6ZxU8vFGK9YgutXg6>



Contact Ant Collins for questions: (907)841-5832

Schedule

FRIDAY

- 5:30-6:00 Registration
- 6:00-7:00 Dinner
- 7:00-7:30 Ice Breaker
- 7:30- 8:00 Prayers, Songs, Scripture Reading
- 8:00-8:30 Table Time
- 8:30- 8:45 Prayers and Songs
- 8:45- Desserts and Crafts

SATURDAY

- 8:00-9:00 Breakfast
- 9:00-9:30 Prayers and Songs
- 9:30-10:30 Lesson
- 10:30-11:30 Table Time
- 11:30-12:30 Lunch
- 12:30-12:45 Focus Prayers
- 12:45- 1:45 Lesson
- 1:45- 2:15 Table Time
- 2:15-2:30 Closing Prayer
- 2:30 Crafts

SUNDAY

- Closing Lesson during bible class

Welcome to our Guests !
We are honored to have you join us as we worship our heavenly Father in “spirit and in truth”. Your visit is important; so, stay around and fellowship with us. If there is anything that we can do for you, let us know. Come again soon!

Visitors. Please fill out one of the visitor cards found in the pocket on the backs of the chairs or on the table in the foyer. After you have filled out the card please put it in the contribution plate or in the basket on table in foyer.

The Lord’s Supper is available after the service for those who may not have had the opportunity to partake earlier.

BUILDING
If you are planning a meeting or an event and want to use the building PLEASE see Nancy to schedule. This includes Saturday and Sunday as well as week days. You don’t want to be disappointed when you arrive and someone else is already using the building.

REMINDER: As a courtesy to others PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONE.



<u>“I will show my faith by my works.”</u>		
For the Week Beginning	09-24-2023	10-01-2023
Assembly	228	237
Bible Class	140	141
Weekly Contribution	\$5486	\$8277
Budget	\$7832	
Wednesday	112	86

... .. One Baptism ... (Eph 4:5)

(Part III)

What do we do with “FAITH ONLY” teaching?

Many teach today that “FAITH ONLY” is what saves us from our sins and brings us into Christ. Let’s look a bit at the “faith only” idea from the Bible.–

- > Jesus taught that Faith leads to Obedience - **Matt 7:21**
- > Jesus taught that Baptism must follow Faith for salvation to occur – **Mark 16:16**

> Peter taught that once you know who Jesus is (faith), you must “repent and be baptized” to have your sins forgiven – **Acts 2:36-39**

> Philip was teaching the Ethiopian about Jesus and when he wanted to be baptized, Philip checked his faith AND baptized him. – **Acts 8:35-38**

> Paul told the jailer that he must have FATH and then he IMMEDIATELY baptized Him and his family.–**Acts 16:30-33**

> The STRONG faith, and accurate knowledge of Apollos & the 12 Ephesian Disciples was NOT enough. They had baptism wrong and needed to be taught “*the way of God more accurately*” and be correctly baptized. – **Acts 18:24-19:5**

> In Romans, Paul describes Baptism as something that they all did (**Rom 6:3**). When he later says salvation is for those who “*confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead*” in ch 10, he is comparing faith to following the Old Testament Law, not to being baptized.

> James tells us plainly that faith MUST be active and obedient (**James 2:14-26**) or it is DEAD. It is clear that an obedient, active faith is not “earning salvation” but rather necessary to please God. (**Heb 11:6**)

> One of the SIMPLEST and CLEAREST teachings on faith & baptism is found in Paul’s letter to the churches in Galatia (**Gal 3:26-28**):

“For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed your selves with Christ.” This straightforward explanation is EXACTLY what Jesus taught in **Mark 16:16**.

- Faith always leads the way and must bring Obedience.
- Baptism is our 1st step of obedience & completes our salvation by:

Putting on Christ – **Gal 3:27**

Having our sins forgiven – **Acts 2:38**

Having our sins washed away – **Acts 22:16**

Joining Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection–

Rom 6:3-7

> Peter was even more blunt: “**...baptism now saves you...**”

1Ptr 3:21

And remember, it is only by God’s Grace that salvation is even possible:

“ For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.” Eph 2:8-10

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Mission of Valley church of Christ
...Make Disciples...Matthew 28:19



October 8, 2023

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
Romans 15:13

SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES

- Sunday:
- Assembly.....10:00AM—11:30AM
 - Fellowship Meal.....11:45AM—12:30PM
 - Bible Classes.....12:45PM—1:30PM

- Wednesday:
- Bible Classes.....7:00PM

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