

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— See Insert for QR code
Thursday Evenings	Palmer Small Group—The group will meet at 6:30pm and have rotating locations. Jeff Porter is the contact—907-290-0870
Thursday Evenings	Big Lake/Wasilla Small Group—The group will meet at 5:30pm and have rotating locations. 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 QR code
Sunday Evenings	Young Adult Group meets at 5:00pm on Sunday evenings with rotating locations. Mike Katkus is the contact.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January-February	Youth Schedule— See Insert for QR code
February 10	Winter Family Breakfast —VCOC building—9:00am-12:00pm
February 16	Seniors Fellowship Event —Ladies Class Room—1:00-3:00pm—Bring your favorite snack to share and the Recipe. This will be a time of sharing stories from your life.
April 19-21	Lectureship —Navigating Culture in Christ—Northern Lights church of Christ, Fairbanks

BAPTIZED

Jordan Cowitz was baptized into Christ on January 18. We praise God for Jordan’s decision to obey and follow Him. Congratulations.

- 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.
- Please be in prayer for our **Mission Team** as they spread Gods word in the Valley and around the State.
- Please be in prayer for the **Safe Families Ministry**, for those serving, and for those who need its service.
- 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.
- **HEALTH CONCERNS: Sandra Crockett**, Scott’s mother; **Jessica Gipson; Hanna Cross**, Tim Caraway’s niece, degenerative joint disease; **Jean Hess**, Bruce’s mother; **Aspen Kuenning**. The following are suffering from cancer; **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 **Ahanu Kinney**, Kirklin and Chantals son, his surgery for a brain tumor went well. As of last update he was to be released from the hospital.
- **Bonnie Burkhardtsmeier** is recovering from back surgery, please keep her in your prayers.
- Continue to pray for **Rob VanDussen** as he recovers from surgery.
- Please keep **Laurie Rose**, Bonnie Burkhardtsmeiers niece in your prayers. She is battling cancer.
- Be in prayer for **Sandy Baldwin** as she recovers from foot surgery.
- Please keep **Tim Caraway** in your prayers. He is having health issues.
- Please keep the **Kammermeyer and Nunley families** in your prayers as they deal with a recent tragedy in their families.
- Please continue to pray for **Jim and Debbie Hartley**. Jim is dealing with very challenging health issues.
- Please keep **John and Betty Carrington** in your prayers. John is dealing with some health issues..
- Please keep **Glenn and Sally Smith** in your prayers. Glenn’s Lymphoma has returned. He is now undergoing chemotherapy.
- Please keep **Daniel Gallegos** in your prayers. He is suffering from epilepsy and seizures.
- **Josephine Goyer** is doing better. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Please continue to pray for both **Richard and Louise Klerk** as they continue to recover.
- Please keep **Carol Kuenning** and Jason Murphy’s mother, **Margaret**, in your prayers. They are experiencing health issues.
- 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.
- **Fletcher Collins** ongoing health issues.
- **Michael Street** ongoing medical and health issues.
- **Brent and Brenda Noe, Patricia Houser and Jessica Gipson** are in Deering for the school year.
- Please be in prayer for **Kimberly Keller and Karli (Murrill) Sherk** that they have safe pregnancies and deliver healthy babies.
- 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 keep the Smith Family, **James, Andrea, Clara, Lydia** and **Gideon**, in your prayers as they are in the Mission Field in Albania.
- Please keep **Loren and Penny Hollingsworth** in your prayers as they are in the Mission Field.



SUNDAY ASSEMBLY

	January 21, 2024	January 28, 2024
Opening Prayer	Layne McDowell	Rocky Murrill
Song Leader	Rocky Murrill	Sawyer Collins
Scripture Reading	Russ Bunyard Acts 7:1-29	Daniel Gipson Acts 7:30-53
Prayer	Drew Hanson	Jarrett Finley
The Lord’s Supper		
In Charge	Daniel Noe	Craig Decker
Assist	Keith Collins	Grayson McDowell
Assist	Tyler Williams	Tyler Williams
Assist	Logan Decker	Jeff Porter
Assist	Jason Murphy	David Elledge
Assist	Cale Garrett	Keith Collins
Scripture Reading	Daniel Gipson	Ian Keller
Lesson	Michael Katkus	Robert Kuenning
Closing Prayer	Michael Rosebeary	Ben Rorman
Announcements	Scott Crockett	Scott Crockett

WEDNESDAY ASSEMBLY

	January 24, 2024	January 31, 2024
Opening Prayer	Chuck Sutton	Drew Hanson
Song Leader	Craig Decker	Luke Gardner
Devo (5 Min)	Daniel Noe	Michael Rosebeary
Class Lesson	Michael Katkus	Michael Katkus
Closing Prayer	Rocky Murrill	David Elledge



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

Jan 21—Finley S, Galbier, Gallegos—Kitchen; Gardner J, Gardner N—Fellowship Hall
 Jan 28—Hanson, Hess A, Houser S—Kitchen; Hess B, Katkus J—Fellowship Hall

DEACONS

Advanced Bible Education—Adam Hanshew
 Benevolence—Jason Gardner
 Education—Shaphan Collins
 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



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

28 January, 2:30-5:30PM (tentative): Ice fishing at Lake Lucille hosted by the McMullens. Food provided. More details to follow.

2 Feb, 6:00-9:00PM: VcoC Basketball night (Youth and Adults); location TBD.

17-19 February: Winter Retreat at Midnight Sun Bible Camp. Anchorage church of Christ (Scott Masten) is the POC. More details as they become available.

25 Feb, 5:00-7:30PM, TNT hosted by the Kinney's (8469 W Parks Highway, right just past MM 50), food provided.



Sunday Small Group

Use the QR code to the left to stay connected with the McGill/Reichel Sunday Small Group on WhatsApp. Contact Beth Reichel/Troy McGill



Ladies Tuesday Evening Bible Study

Use the QR code to the left to stay connected in all things regarding Bible studies and prayers for one another.

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	01-07-2024	01-14-2024
Assembly	218	176
Bible Class	126	103
Weekly Contribution	\$9182	\$5982
Budget	\$7832	
Wednesday	110	115

... .. 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 FAITH 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 CLEARER 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 yourselves 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



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For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are open and laid bare to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do.
 Hebrews 4:12-13

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

Office Hours 9:00am-4:00pm Monday-Friday

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