

VALLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

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



November 24, 2024

“Jesus spoke to them, saying, ‘All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I command you; And lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the ages.’”
Matthew 28:18-20

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
 Church Office—907-357-3011
 Email: church@akvcoc.com
 Website: www.akvcoc.com

Ministers: Robert Kuenning —907-354-3011
 and Michael Katkus—907-521-1326

Elders: Rick Collins, Kirklin Kinney, Robert Kuenning

... .. 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 CLEARTEST 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

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.



“I will show my faith by my works.”

For the Week Beginning	11-10-2024	11-17-2024
Assembly	203	215
Bible Class	108	124
Weekly Contribution	\$5201	\$8400
Weekly Budget Goal	\$7711	
Wednesday	89	106



*Ladies Fellowship
and
Ornament Exchange*

Saturday, December 7, 2024
5:00-8:00pm

Cathy Ezells Home

161 W Jensen Circle
Wasilla AK 99654

Please bring a wrapped ornament—purchased or home made (no more than \$15.00) and your favorite snack/finger food to share. Drinks will be provided. Ladies may join in the Fellowship without participating in the ornament exchange if they wish.

Contact Cathy with any questions. 907-414-0633



Ladies
you are invited to a

Hallmark
Christmas Movie
BINGO NIGHT

Sunday, December 8th
Meredith Porter's Home
9155 E SILVER SPRING CIRCLE

5:30 PM

Bring a Christmas dish to share while we watch a Hallmark Christmas movie together & play movie BINGO!

Please RSVP to Meredith
(540-661-6213)



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.



Sunday Small Group

Use the QR code to the left to stay connected with the Sunday Small Group on WhatsApp. Contact The Reichel's



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

- 24 November, 5:30-7:30PM, TNT at the home of a John Teamer (209 S Vix Way, Wasilla, AK 99654). Bring a Bible and notebook.
 - 28 November: church-wide Thanksgiving Fellowship at the building. Check the bulletin for details.
 - 6 December, 6-9PM, Basketball night at Pioneer Peak Elementary.
 - 15 December, 5-7PM, Teen Holiday Party at the Dowdy home.
- More details to follow.

CALENDAR UPDATE

ONGOING EVENTS

Monday Evenings	Valley Bible Institute—Sunset Class, Via Zoom—Next class Epistles of Peter, Sept 16—Dec 2 —7:00-8:00pm—Contact Adam Hanshew—NEXT CLASS begins January 13, 2025—Epistles of John
Tuesday Evenings	Men’s Bible Study—7:00pm—VCOC building—Multi Purpose Room
Tuesday Evenings	Ladies Bible Study—7:00pm —VCOC building—Ladies Classroom— PRAYER, in Practice QR code in insert
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	Sunday Small Group—5:00-7:00pm—This group will meet every other week at rotating locations. Contact The Reichel’s. QR code in insert
Sunday Evenings	Young Adult Group meets at 5:00pm on Sunday evenings with rotating locations. Mike Katkus is the contact.

UPCOMING EVENTS

November/ December	Youth Schedule—Use QR code to stay connected— See Insert
November 28	Thanksgiving Fellowship—VCOC building—Contact Rocky Murrill—Sign up sheet on table in foyer— Dinner begins at 1:00pm
November 30	Abbreviated Teachers Workday—11:00am until...
December 6	6:00-9:00pm—Basketball night at Pioneer Peak Elementary
December 7	Ladies Fellowship and Ornament Exchange—5:00-8:00pm at Cathy Ezell’s Home—See Insert
December 8	Budget meeting for Elders/Deacons after class at 2pm in the multi-purpose room
December 8	Ladies Hallmark Christmas Movie Night—5:30pm at Meredith Porter’s Home —See Insert
December 29	Singing at VCOC building

“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 keep the Stephen Teamer family in your prayers. **Naphtali and Silas** are suffering from pneumonia.
- **Antoinette Collins** (Ant) Collins continues to recover and gain strength following heart surgery.
- Please be in prayer for all who are recovering from surgeries.
- Please be in prayer for those that are having health issues and other struggles. **Betty Carrington, Sandi Dobberke, Bonnie Murrill, Josephine Goyer, Daniel and Jessica Gipson, Lee and Marcia Ames, Margaret Parker, and those who are struggling in silence.**
- Please keep **Tim and Kelly Caraway** in your prayers as Tim continues treatment for cancer.
- Please keep **Glenn and Sally Smith** in your prayers. Glenn had good scan results for cancer but he needs to be careful about being exposed to sickness.
- Please keep **Monte and Janet Grow** in your prayers. Monte is having health issues.
- **Fletcher Collins** ongoing health issues.
- **Michael Street** ongoing medical and health issues.
- Please be in prayer for **Erin Galbier and Addie Williams** that they have safe pregnancies and deliver healthy babies.
- 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 **Kyah Morris, Makenna Paine and Joseph Potter**. All are at their Mission assignments with AIM (Adventures in Missions).
- Please keep **Craig Elledge** in your prayers. He is in Lubbock TX in the AIM (Adventures in Missions) program.
- 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: Hanna Cross**, Tim Caraway’s niece, degenerative joint disease. The following are suffering from cancer; Maggie Kofstad’s brother **Gary; Richard Lawson**, Meredith Porters father; **Alice Thorne**, Gary Skan’s sister.
- Continue to pray for **Derek Berg and Jayden Scott**.

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy goes out to Barry and Marlene Munsell and family. Barry’s father, Reed Munsell, passed away on Wednesday. He was in Hastings, NE. Please keep the entire Munsell family in your prayers as they deal with the passing of Reed.



SUNDAY ASSEMBLY

	November 24, 2024	December 1, 2024
Opening Prayer	David Elledge	Alex Galbier
Song Leader	Stephen Teamer	Rocky Murrill
Scripture Reading	Bruce Hess 2 Peter Chapter 1	Daniel Noe 2 Peter Chapter 2
Prayer	Randy Tyler	Jason Dowdy
The Lord’s Supper		
In Charge	Matt Paine	Chuck Sutton
Assist	Tyler Williams	David Elledge
Assist	Jerry Berg	Wilson Hess
Assist	Elijah Naler	Jerry Berg
Assist	Johnnie Hill	Scott Williamson
Assist	Evan Naler	Logan Decker
Scripture Reading	Wilson Hess	Howard Blaine
Lesson	Robert Kuenning	Mike Katkus
Closing Prayer	Jarrett Finley	Jeff Porter
Announcements	Scott Crockett	Scott Crockett

WEDNESDAY ASSEMBLY

	November 27, 2024	December 4, 2024
Opening Prayer	David Elledge	Evan Naler
Song Leader	John Teamer	Luke Gardner
Devo (5 Min)	Wilson Hess	Cale Garrett
Class Lesson	Stephen Teamer	Speaker
Closing Prayer	John Katkus	Chuck Sutton



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

Nov 24—McGill, Miller, Moen—Kitchen; McDowell, Munsell—Fellowship Hall
Dec 1—Murrill, Naler, Noe—Kitchen; Murphy, Paine—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