

# VALLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

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



December 15, 2024

*“Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people...and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord the great God. And all the people answered ‘Amen! Amen!’ while lifting up their hands; when they bowed low and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground.”*  
**Nehemiah 8:5-6**

## 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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## THE NEW COVENANT

is

### OUR WONDERFUL GIFT FROM GOD!!!

The Covenants are God’s contracts with man. The Scriptures show that through covenants God gave man His promises and how to live to receive those promises.

In Genesis 2:15-16 God had his first agreement with Adam & Eve in the Garden. He continually had a Covenant with all His peoples: Adam, Noah, Abraham, etc.

### THE GREAT COVENANT WITH ISRAEL

The covenant through Moses was to guide the nation of Israel during the many years from the

FREEDOM from Egypt in EXODUS 19  
to the

CREATION of CHRIST’S CHURCH in ACTS 2

This “Law of Moses” included the 10 Commandments and the daily rules for all the Jews.

- > The Law itself was PERFECT – Psalm 19:7-14, Psalm 119
- > Man could not and cannot completely obey the Law. We all fail.—Romans 3:10, 23
- > Failing in one part = failing in all of it. – James 2:10
- > The Law made nothing perfect – Hebrews 7:18-19

BUT –

- > Jesus came to fulfill the Law – Matthew 5:17
- > The Law led us to Christ – Galatians 3:23-29

### GOD PROMISED A BETTER COVENANT!

*“Behold, days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will make a new covenant...”* Jeremiah 31:31

- > It’s a BETTER Covenant – Hebrews 8:6
- > It’s a Covenant of FAITH – Galatians 3:25-29
- > It’s a Covenant of HEART – Jeremiah 31:33
- > It’s a Covenant of FORGIVENESS – Jeremiah 31:34
- > It’s a Covenant of ONE SACRIFICE for all – Hebrews 10:11-12
- > It’s a Covenant that PERFECTS US! – Hebrews 10:14-17
- > It’s a Covenant that brings us to GOD Himself! – Hebrews 4:14-16, 10:21-25

**> IT’S A COVENANT BASED ON JESUS CHRIST HIMSELF!!! – HEBREWS 10:10-12**

The Book of Hebrews teaches that

### EVERYTHING

about the New Covenant is better!!!!

**Read :**

Deuteronomy 28:1-6 , Jeremiah 31: 27-34, Hebrews Chs 3 - 10, Revelation 22:10-21

**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	12-01-2024	12-08-2024
Assembly	216	255
Bible Class	120	140
Weekly Contribution	\$6225	\$10502
Weekly Budget Goal	\$7711	
Wednesday	123	Not Counted

# CALENDAR UPDATE

## ONGOING EVENTS

- Monday Evenings Valley Bible Institute—Sunset Class, Via Zoom—Epistles of John—**Class begins January 13, 2025**—Contact Adam Hanshew
- 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—**There will be no Ladies Bible Study for the month of December** Use WhatsApp QR code to stay connected
- 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. Use WhatsApp QR code to stay connected
- Sunday Evenings Young Adult Group meets at 5:00pm on Sunday evenings with rotating locations. Mike Katkus is the contact.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- December 8-20 VCOC **Youth Event** Schedule—See Insert
- December Youth Schedule—Use WhatsApp QR code to stay connected
- December 20 **See Insert** Christmas Family Fun Night—Gingerbread House decorating—4:00-7:00pm—This is a Family Event
- December 25 No Wednesday Assembly or Classes
- December 29 Singing at VCOC building
- December 31 New Year’s Eve Devotional and Fellowship-- See Insert
- January 3 6-9PM, Basketball night at **MatSu Borough Gym—350 E Dahlia Avenue, Palmer**—All ages are welcome. Bring water and a ball if you have one



### Sunday Small Group

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



### 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. **There will be no Ladies Bible Study for the month of December**

“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:

- **Bonnie Murrill** suffered a heart attack at home on Monday. Last update she continues to be in Mat-Su Regional Medical Center. She is doing well and is to be moved out of ICU when a room is available. Please keep Bonnie and Rocky and the entire family in your prayers.
- Sandy Baldwin’s, grandson, **Sterling** (Steve and Chantel) was admitted to Mat-Su hospital 12/10 with breathing and heart rate problems.
- 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. Newsletter on mission table in the foyer.
- Please be in prayer for **Kyah Morris, Makenna Paine and Joseph Potter**. All are at their Mission assignments with AIM (Adventures in Missions). Newsletters on mission table in the foyer.
- Please keep **Craig Elledge** in your prayers. He is in Lubbock TX in the AIM (Adventures in Missions) program. Newsletter on mission table in foyer.
- 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**.



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

-15 December, 5-7PM, Teen Holiday Party at the Dowdy home.



## SUNDAY ASSEMBLY

	December 15, 2024	December 22, 2024
Opening Prayer	Troy McGill	Rocky Murrill
Song Leader	Jeff Smith	John Teamer
Scripture Reading	Jason Murphy 1 John Chap 1 & 2:1-11	Jason Murphy 1 John Chapter 2:12-29
Prayer	Ethan McGill	Titus Caraway
The Lord’s Supper		
In Charge	Matt Paine	David Elledge
Assist	Drew Hanson	Bruce Hess
Assist	Wilson Hess	Evan Naler
Assist	Logan Decker	Elijah Naler
Assist	Tyler Williams	Ben Rorman
Assist	Howard Blaine	Luke Gardner
Scripture Reading	Stephen Teamer	Chuck Sutton
Lesson	Mike Katkus	Robert Kuenning
Closing Prayer	Shaphan Collins	Ian Keller
Announcements	Scott Crockett	Scott Crockett

## WEDNESDAY ASSEMBLY

	December 18, 2024	December 25 2024
Opening Prayer	Jason Murphy	<b>NO ASSEMBLY OR CLASSES</b>
Song Leader	John Teamer	
Devo (5 Min)	Matt Paine	
Class Lesson	Scott Crockett	
Closing Prayer	Shaphan Collins	



## 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

- Dec 15—Spurlin, Teamer J, Williams—Kitchen; Berg, Teamer S—Fellow ship Hall
- Dec 22—Stefan, Berg, Bowers—Kitchen; Bunyard, Cato—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

# CHRISTMAS

## Family Fun Night

Reminiscence the good ol' days of driving through the neighborhoods, admiring the Christmas house decorations.

How are your decorating skills?

Come one, come all, families both big and small! Show off your gingerbread house decorating skills.

**JOIN US IN BUILDING OUR VCOC GINGERBREAD VILLAGE**

**20 DECEMBER 2024**  
**4:00 - 7:00 PM**  
**VCOC FELLOWSHIP HALL**

Dinner of mac and cheese and pigs in a blanket will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share.

The completed village will remain on display for all to admire through Sunday.

Questions: Contact Bonnie B or Ant Collins

*Happy New Year*

Everyone is invited to attend our **New Year's Eve Devotional and Fellowship** December 31<sup>st</sup> 7:00pm-Midnight at the Valley church of Christ building. Bring your favorite potluck snack food and table games to share. Please leave your electronic and shooting games at home. **NO Fireworks.** Children must be accompanied by a parent/adult. If you have questions contact

VCOC YOUTH EVENTS						WEEK : DEC 15TH - DEC 29TH
SUN 15th	MON 16th	TUE 17th	WED 18th	THU 19th	FRI 21st	SAT 22nd
				<p><b>Wilson Hess</b> Basketball <b>6:00 PM</b> Palmer High School</p>		
SUN 23rd	MON 24th	TUE 25th	WED 26th	THU 27th	FRI 28th	SAT 29th

**NOTES** ! There can often be changes to schedule and location. Check with parents if you plan to attend.