

# VALLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

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



**September 7, 2025**

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1Thessalonians 5:16-18 ESV*

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

Elders: Rick Collins, Kirklín Kinney, Robert Kuenning

## ... One Baptism ...

(Part I)

In Ephesians 4:5 the Bible teaches us that for the church there is ONE BAPTISM. Lets learn what Baptism is and what it does. In Acts 8:36-38 we see that Baptism is immersion in water. The word Baptism in the original Greek means “immerse”. The Bible teaches a great deal about it.

- Jesus clearly taught that it was necessary – **Mark 16:16**
- Jesus taught His followers to perform it and teach everyone. – **Matthew 28:19-20**
- Jesus exemplified it – **Matthew 3:13-17, Mark 1:9-11**
- The Apostles taught it at their first opportunity – **Acts 2:19-42**
- They taught that it would apply to everyone – **Matthew 28:19, Acts 2:38-39**
- They taught that its necessity would continue for all time – **Acts 2:39**
- It was applied in all conversions even when Apostles were surprised – **Acts 10:47-48**
- The History of Early church growth (Acts) gives many examples - **Acts 2:24; 8:12, 13, 38; 9:18; 10:48; 16:15, 33; 18:8; 19:5**
- Sometimes Baptism was commanded by the teacher – **Acts 22:16**
- Sometimes Baptism was requested by the student – **Acts 8:36**
- It was such a natural part of the teaching that sometimes it wasn't even mentioned in the written Word; but it was obeyed - **Acts 8:12-13, 8:35-38; 16:15, 16:31-33, 18:8**

**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.

## ONLINE CONTRIBUTIONS

For those that give via online contributions, please ensure that any PayPal transfers to the church are set to a transaction type of “Donation” and **NOT** “Goods and Services”.

To ensure you have the correct transaction type selected, you can use the “PayPal Giving” button provided on our church website at <https://www.akvcoc.com/member-resource/contribution#paypal> which will automatically default to “Donation” as the transaction type.

Please **DO NOT** use the PayPal Mobile App when giving to the church since it defaults to “Goods and Services” and has no “Donation” option. We are currently searching for a better online contribution method and will let the congregation know of any future changes. Thank you.

## “I will show my faith by my works.”

For the Week Beginning	08-24-2025	08-31-2025
Assembly	254	211
Bible Class	120	Not Taken
Weekly Contribution	\$7996	\$6557
Weekly Budget Goal	\$7711	
Wednesday	Not Taken	108

# CALENDAR UPDATE

## ONGOING EVENTS

Monday Evenings	Valley Bible Institute—Sunset Class, Via Zoom—Next class starts on Sept 15—Study on Apologetics 2—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—Use WhatsApp QR code to stay connected—On Hiatus for the Summer
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. Starting <b>September 7</b> at the Reichel’s. 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

September	Youth Group Schedule—Use QR code to stay connected—See Insert
Sept 7-Sept 20	VCOC Youth Events—See Insert
Sept 12 & 13	Caraway Work Party See Insert or pick up a flyer from table in foyer
<b>Sept 19-20</b>	Fall Family Share Event (Set Up 17-18)—Items can be dropped off in the multipurpose room <b>beginning August 31st - Sept 18th.</b> (We have 1/2 of this room for drop off—so please be neat and tidy)—Tamika Dowdy is POC
September 26-27	Valley Ladies Retreat—Birchwood Camp—Sierra Paine is the POC—See Insert for Details
Oct 10, 11 and 12	Seminar — <b>Why Believe in God</b> —Eric Lyons, Apologetics Press, at Valley church of Christ—See flyer on the table in the foyer—Registration forms for VCOC Members are also on the table. All others register on line at akvcoc.com—Alex Hess POC

“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 **Tim and Kelly Caraway** in your prayers. Tim is dealing with cancer.
- Please be in prayer for those that are having health issues and other struggles. **Bonnie Burkhardtsmeier, Patti Decker, Sandi Dobberke, Daniel and Jessica Gipson, Josephine Goyer, Bonnie Murrill, Lesa O’Hara, Margaret Parker, Rob VanDussen and those who are struggling in silence.**
- 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 keep the Smith Family, **James, Andrea, Clara, Lydia** and **Gideon**, in your prayers as they are in the Mission Field in Albania. Newsletter is on the mission table in the foyer. Also keep their AIM team—**Daniel Roland, Jayden Keene, Laney Ferguson and Chloe Dare** in your prayers.
- Please be in prayer for **Kyah Morris and Makenna Paine**. They are at their Mission assignments with AIM (Adventures in Missions). Newsletters on mission table in the foyer.
- Please keep **Grayson McDowell** in your prayers as he is attending the Naval Academy. Address is on the Mission table in the foyer.
- Please keep **Cruz Cannon** in your prayers as he is in the AIM program in Lubbock Texas.
- Please keep **Kane Morris** in your prayers. He is attending Bear Valley Bible Institute preaching school in Denver, Colorado.
- 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.
- Continue to pray for **Derek Berg** and **Jayden Scott**.
- **HEALTH CONCERNS:** The following are suffering from cancer; Maggie Kofstad’s brother **Gary; Richard Lawson**, Meredith Porters father; **Alice Thorne**, Gary Skan’s sister.

### BAPTISM

**Michael Arentzen** was baptized into Christ on Monday September 1. We praise God for Michael’s decision to obey and follow Him. CONGRATULATIONS.

### FOOD ALLERGY—REMINDER

Some members of our church family are **allergic to peanuts, and tree nuts (all nuts) their oils and extracts, any kind of fish including salmon and all seafood (shellfish etc.)** and exposure to them can be seriously dangerous. It is requested that all **fellowship meal items containing any of these ingredients be clearly marked** with a card so that the item can be avoided. Thank you for your cooperation.



## SUNDAY ASSEMBLY

### September 7, 2025

Opening Prayer	Rocky Murrill
Song Leader	John Teamer
Scripture Reading	Chuck Sutton John 7:1-14
Prayer	Logan Decker
The Lord’s Supper	
In Charge	Bob Bowlus
Assist	Kolten Morris
Assist	Cale Garrett
Assist	Josh Gardner
Assist	Ben Rorman
Assist	Mogans Tyler
Scripture Reading	David Elledge
Lesson	Robert Kuenning
Closing Prayer	Jason Gardner
Announcements	Scott Crockett

### September 14, 2025

Harrison McGill
Bruce Hess
Brady Kuenning
John 7:25-52
Titus Caraway
Stephen Teamer
Kolten Morris
Logan Decker
Matt Paine
David Elledge
Shaphan Collins
Michael Miller
Mike Katkus
Layne McDowell
Scott Crockett

## WEDNESDAY ASSEMBLY

### September 10, 2025

Opening Prayer	Rocky Murrill
Song Leader	TBD
Devo (5 Min)	Chuck Sutton
Class Lesson	John Teamer
Closing Prayer	Layne McDowell

### September 17, 2025

Shaphan Collins
Adam Kuenning
Matt Paine
Joseph Potter
Titus Caraway



## 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

Sept 7—Porter, Reichel, Rosebeary—Kitchen; Potter, Rorman—Fellowship Hall  
 Sept 14—Spurlin, Teamer J, Sherk—Kitchen; Teamer S, Moseley—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

## YOUTH GROUP

14-20 September: F.A.M. Group Week. Schedule will vary for each F.A.M. Group. More information to follow from F.A.M. Group Leaders/Coordinators.

28 September: The Chosen Movie Night, Season 2, Episode 9 and Season 3, Episode 1. Food Provided. Bring drink or snack to share.

3 October: Basketball Night, 6-9PM (Location TBD, likely Colony Middle School). Bring water and a ball (if you have one).

3-5 October: Weekend at the Cabin hosted by Jeremiah and Brandolynn Collins at their family cabin in Willow! Meet at the VcoC building at 6:30PM on 3 October. We will return around 1:30PM on 5 October. Bring a sleeping bag, pillow, clothes for indoor/outdoor, toiletries, and your Bible. No Cost. Please let Alex or Leah know if planning to attend by 28 September.

10-12 October: Apologetics Press Seminar with Eric Lyons: “Why Believe in God.” Come learn about the Inspiration and Reliability of the Bible from one of the world’s foremost experts on the subject! Hosted at the Valley church of Christ building. 10 October, 7-9PM; 11 October, 5-8:30PM (dinner provided); 12 October, 10AM-1:30PM (incorporated into our assembly). Bring your Bible and a notebook.

12-18 October: F.A.M. Group Week. Schedule will vary for each F.A.M. Group. More information to follow from F.A.M. Group Leaders/Coordinators.

26 October: The Chosen Movie Night, Season 3, Episode 2 & 3. Food Provided. Bring drink or snack to share.

VCOC YOUTH EVENTS							WEEK : SEP 7TH - 20TH
SUN 7th	MON 8th	TUE 9th	WED 10th	THU 11th	FRI 12th	SAT 13th	
				Elijah & Evan Naler Football 5:30 PM Palmer High School		Aubrey Hess Cross Country Time TBD Bardett High School	
SUN 14th	MON 15th	TUE 16th	WED 17th	THU 18th	FRI 19th	SAT 20th	
			Pletcher Collins Cross Country 5:30 PM Colony High School			Aubrey Hess Cross Country - Time TBD Chugiak High School  Elijah & Evan Naler Football - 10 AM Palmer High School	
NOTES							There can often be changes to schedule and location. Check with parents if you plan to attend.

## Ladies Retreat 2025 – Rooted Together

**September 26–27** at Birchwood Camp, Chugiak  
Join us for an overnight retreat full of worship, teaching, and fellowship as we grow together in Christ.

Speakers: Ant Collin & Josie Miller

**Registration is now CLOSED**

Questions—Contact Sierra Paine



### Sunday Small Group

Use the QR code to the left to stay connected with the Sunday Small Group on WhatsApp. Contact The Reichel's—Starting September 7—at the Reichel's, every other Sunday for now 5:00-7:00pm—Group will be at rotating locations



### 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. On Hiatus for Summer

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# LADIES RETREAT

SEPTEMBER 26-27

*Rooted Together*

EPHESIANS 3:17-19

BIRCHWOOD CAMP  
17161 DAVID BLACKBURN RD, CHUGIAK AK, 99567

RSVP BY: SEPT 3

CONTACT SIERRA PAINE FOR MORE INFO  
907-188-0186

### Caraway Work Party

**Where:** 8500 E Gold Bullion Blvd, Palmer  
Near Trunk Rd off Palmer Fishhook  
Kelly Caraway 907-841-7695

**What:** Helping prepare their property for sale by cleaning out, cleaning up, painting, yard work for a mobile home on a large lot. We also need people to prepare and bring food for all the busy workers!

That's the bulk of the work, but there's also some more skill jobs such as cabinet & drawer repair, light fixture installation, patching hole in floor, installing new wood door for crawlspace access, fixing doors, installing bathroom fans, installing ceiling boards, small amount of flooring installation, window installation (later), etc. etc. etc.

**When:** Two weekends, **September 5th & 6th AND September 12th & 13th.** Fridays starting around 4:00, and Saturdays beginning at 10:00. If anyone can come earlier on Friday the 5th, Kelly will be there by noon if not earlier.

**Sept. 5th & 6th** will be cleaning out the trailer and yard and putting all debris into a dumpster. Weather permitting we'll also weed whack and mow the yard. Once debris is all removed, we can hopefully begin cleaning.

**Sept. 12th & 13th** will be cleaning and painting and any remaining yard work, as well as the majority of needed repairs. An email will be sent out detailing tools & supplies we're looking for people to bring.

For those who want to help with the food, Michelle Williams from the Spring Brook congregation will coordinate that. Her # is 907-406-7551.