

VALLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

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



October 26, 2025

“But Joseph said to them, ‘Do not be afraid, for am I in God’s place? And as for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good in order to bring about this present result, to preserve many people alive.’”
Genesis 50:19-20

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
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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 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 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.

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	10-12-2025	10-19-2025
Assembly	264	259
Bible Class	154	Not Counted
Weekly Contribution	\$7311	\$6927
Weekly Budget Goal	\$7711	
Wednesday	102	125

CALENDAR UPDATE

ONGOING EVENTS

Monday Evenings	Valley Bible Institute—Sunset Class, Via Zoom—Study on Apologetics 2—7:00-8:00pm—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 Break
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
Thursday Evenings	Eagle River Small Group—The group will meet 5:30pm-7:30pm and have rotating locations. William Long is the contact 281-723-6000
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

Oct-Nov	Youth Group Schedule—See Insert
Oct 19-Nov 1	VCOC Youth Events—See Insert
Nov 1	Area Wide Singing—South Anchorage church of Christ—4:00-6:00pm—Insert has more information
Nov 2	Day Light Saving Time Ends
Nov 15	Food Safety Class—10:00-Noon. Open to anyone interested. Contact Lei Loni Bowlus

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy goes out to the family of **Louise Burger**. Louise passed away on October 8. She lived in Arkansas. If you would like to send a card of encouragement please send to: Ed Burger, 260 Wedgeview Dr, Farmington AR 72730

LOST AND FOUND BIBLES

There are several Bibles on the table in the foyer that need to go home with their owners. If not claimed, they will be put in the library for others to use.

“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 **Cale Garrett** in your prayers as he starts his recovery from a broken leg.
- Please keep **Keith Collins** in your prayers as he recovers from a concussion.
- Shaphan Collins asked for prayers for one of his coworkers families. (The husband committed suicide.)
- Please keep Julie Kirn and family in your prayers. Her brother **Robert Goulet** is in Hospice care.
- Please keep David Elledge’s brother, **Jim**, in your prayers. He is recovering from a bike accident. (He is 72.)
- 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. News letter is on missions table.
- 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.



SUNDAY ASSEMBLY

	October 26, 2025	November 2, 2025
Opening Prayer	Jason Murphy	Chuck Sutton
Song Leader	Sawyer Collins	Rocky Murrill
Scripture Reading	Daniel Gipson John 10:22-42	Jason Dowdy John 11:1-28
Prayer	Joseph Potter	Logan Decker
The Lord’s Supper		
In Charge	John Teamer	Joseph Potter
Assist	Mogans Tyler	Jeff Reichel
Assist	Cale Garrett	Kolten Morris
Assist	Jeff Porter	David Desjarlais
Assist	Logan Decker	Josh Gardner
Assist	Johnnie Hill	Bruce Hess
Scripture Reading	Titus Caraway	Dieter Schlemper
Lesson	Mike Katkus	Robert Kuenning
Closing Prayer	Harrison McGill	Scott Crockett
Announcements	Scott Crockett	Scott Crockett

WEDNESDAY ASSEMBLY

	October 29, 2025	November 5, 2025
Opening Prayer	Jeff Porter	River Mahugh
Song Leader	Luke Gardner	Rocky Murrill
Devo (5 Min)	Jason Murphy	Luke Gardner
Class Lesson	Titus Caraway	Isaac Kuenning
Closing Prayer	Michael Rosebeary	William Long



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 26—Lee, Lynch, McGill—Kitchen; McMullen, Mahugh—Fellowship Hall
Nov 2—Miller, Moen, Munsell—Kitchen; Murphy, Murrill—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

VCOG YOUTH EVENTS							WEEK : OCT 19 TH – NOV 1 ST
SUN 19th	MON 20th	TUE 21st	WED 22nd	THU 23rd	FRI 24th	SAT 25th	
	 Julia Dowdy Basketball Time TBD Colony Middle School	 Hulon Hess Basketball 4:00 PM Wasilla Middle School			Hulon Hess Basketball - 4:00 PM PIMS Mckenzie Hess Basketball 5:00, 5:20, 600 PM Grizzly Fam Fitness		
SUN 26th	MON 27th	TUE 28th	WED 29th	THU 30th	FRI 31st	SAT 1st	
 Dominik Martinez Bowling 1:00 PM North Bowl	Hulon Hess Basketball - 3 PM PIMS Julia Dowdy Basketball - Time TBD Colony Middle		 Julia Dowdy Basketball Time TBD Teeland Middle School	Hulon Hess Basketball - 4 PM PIMS Julia Dowdy Basketball - Time TBD Grace Christian	Keith Collins - Wrestling Time TBD - Valdez		
NOTES  There can often be changes to schedule and location. Check with parents if you plan to attend.							



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

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

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

9-15 November: 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.

23 November: The Chosen Movie Night, Season 3, Episodes 4 & 5. Food Provided. Bring drink or snack to share.



SOUTH CENTRAL ALASKA
SING PRAISES TO THE LORD
An Area Wide Singing
Join us for A Cappella Singing & Fellowship
South Anchorage Church of Christ
7800 Stanley Drive
Anchorage, AK 99518
WHEN: November 1st, 2025
TIME: 4:00 PM — 6:00 PM
There will be a chili feed after singing.
 For more information, please contact
 Curt Harris ~ charris@alaska.net
 Church Phone: 344-3931
sachurchofchrist@outlook.com
 ~ like us & share us on Facebook ~
facebook.com/southanchoragecoc



Sunday Small Group

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