

## CALENDAR UPDATE

### ONGOING EVENTS

Sunday Evenings	Home Group at the Munsell's—5:30pm
Monday Evenings	Valley Bible Institute Class —Excellence in Leadership 7:00-8:30pm at the VCOC Building
Tuesday Evenings	Men's Bible Study at the Crockett's 7:00pm
Wednesday Evenings	Valley Bible Institute Class —Isaiah 7:00-8:30pm at the VCOC Building
Thursday Mornings	Ladies Fellowship at the VCOC Building December 5—10:30am-12:30pm
Friday Evenings	Butte/Palmer Home Group hosted by the J. Smiths. Time and Place TBA
Friday Evenings	Knik Goose Bay Home Group 7:00pm at the Murrill's
Saturday Mornings	Young Adults Home Group at the Shipley's. 10:00am

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Until Dec 1	Registration for VBI Class— Colossians and Philemon forms are in the foyer or see Adam Hanshew—Class begins January 6, 2014
December 7	Holiday Dinner-Aim Camp Adventure—VCOC Building
December 7	Men's Breakfast Anchorage church of Christ—9:00am
December 13	Ornament Exchange at the Delph's 6:30pm
December 14	Fourth Annual Kids Craft Day VCOC Building
December 14	Cookie Exchange at the Kinney's
December 22	Christmas Caroling

### HOLIDAY DINNER

Saturday, December 7  
5:00pm

At the Valley church of Christ building

Bring your family for a great time and dress for the occasion. Entertainment is provided. Our youth group will be serving dinner. Cash donations will be greatly appreciated. Proceeds will be used for the AIM Camp Adventure trip in March. At This time we have three scheduled to go to Camp Adventure; Kayla Caraway, George Katkus and Leah Reichel.

*"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 continue to pray that the Church Expansion Project progresses smoothly.
- **Bonnie Murrill** is continuing her recovery from pneumonia.
- **Patty Paris**, Dana Keller's cousin, had cancer surgery and at last word was in ICU.
- Nathan and Cheril Gardner requested prayers for Nathan's mother, **Lorraine**, who has diabetes and a liver infection.
- **Diane Wise** as she prepares for eye surgery in January.
- **Loren and Penny Hollingsworth** in the Mission Field.
- **Marilyn Devorak**, Wendy Pruitt's mother, recovering from surgery.
- **Beth Reichel's** mother, **Flo**, is in final stages of cancer.
- Please keep **Natalie Forbis** in your prayers for health and strength.
- **Milorad Stojanovich** is continuing his long recovery, at home, from injuries he received in a car accident.
- Adam Hanshew's mother, **Eva Mikell**, cancer.
- **Steven Baldwin, Isaac Niesen** as they serve our country.
- **HEALTH CONCERNS: Linda Gipson**, Daniels mother; **Jessica Gipson; Phyllis Godsoe**, Joe's mother; **Wilma Habig, Frank Houser, Dean Johnson, Martha Lewis, Mark and Carol Seidl, Elizabeth Wallace, Lincoln Weaver, Chester Webb.**
- **Katie Cannon, Brandolynn Collins, Jennifer Gardner and Andrea Smith** that they have safe pregnancies and deliver healthy babies.
- **Mike and Annie Katkus, Ben and Jazmin Baker** serving God in their respective fields (i.e. Sunset, Mexico).
- 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;** Lauri Bowers mother, **Florence**, nursing facility; **Hannah Filipovich; Aspen Kuenning; Audrey Maze, Lois Straight and Dorothy**, Julie Kirn's sisters; **Bonnie Murrill; Tevin Payne**, Jeff Reichel's father, **Clark; Laurie Salyer's** mother serious medical difficulties; **Lillian Schoonmaker, Jayden Scott, Michael Street; Debbie Wighs** from Fairbanks Cancer: **Eric Wroe**, Jessica Cooks brother-in-law, ALS.



### SUNDAY ASSEMBLY

	December 1, 2013	December 8, 2013
Opening Prayer	Michael Miller	Monty Howes
Song Leader	Bruce Hess	T.J. Reichel
Scripture Reading	Shaphan Collins Matthew 26:1-19	Bob Garrett Matthew 26:20-35
Prayer	Mark Keller	Dave Rambow
The Lord's Supper		
In Charge	Chuck Sutton	Jeff Reichel
Assist	Jerry Berg	Bruce Schick
Assist	Gary Harris	Daniel Schramm
Assist	Bob Garrett	Thomas O'Connell
Assist	Scott Williamson	Michael Salyer
Scripture Reading	TBA	TBA
Lesson	Robert Kuenning	David Shipley
Closing Prayer	Jeremiah Collins	Jim Cato
Announcements	Scott Crockett	Scott Crockett

**PRISON MINISTRY** December 1 Keller December 8 Tyler

WEDNESDAY	December 4	December 11
Song Leader	Riley Scott	Isaac Kuenning
Song Leader	Rocky Murrill	Rocky Murrill
Devo	TBA	TBA

### CLEAN-UP SCHEDULE

Upstairs (Tables, Coffee and Dessert Areas)	Downstairs
<b>December 1</b> Pruitt, Sutton	Scott, Street
<b>December 8</b> Williams, Wolfe	Woods, Berg
(Downstairs clean-up people need to be downstairs by 12:15pm to have enough time to clean-up)	

### ATTENDED NURSERY



For your convenience we offer an "as needed" attended nursery downstairs for children age 2 and under, a training room to the left of the baptistry and a mother's room at the back of the auditorium.



### DEACONS

Jim Cato—Prison Ministry  
Scott Crockett, Fellowship  
Adam Hanshew—Advanced Bible Education  
Mark Keller—Education  
Barry Munsell—Church Expansion  
Rocky Murrill—Services  
Jeff Reichel—Youth  
Jud Scott, James Smith—Missions  
Chuck Sutton—Business/Finance  
David Wolfe—Benevolence

**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. Please plan on joining us for lunch. 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 back of each chair. After you have filled out the card please put it in the contribution plate.**

**The Lord’s Supper is available after the service for those who may not have had the opportunity to partake earlier.**

**BUILDING**  
 The building is being used more and more. **If you are planning a meeting or an event and want to use the building PLEASE see the secretary 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.**



<b><u>“I will show my faith by my works.”</u></b>		
For the Week Beginning	11/17/2013	11/27/2013
Service	188	163
Bible Class	127	114
Contribution		
Budget \$6408		
Wednesday		94

**... .. 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 **CLEAREST** 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**.

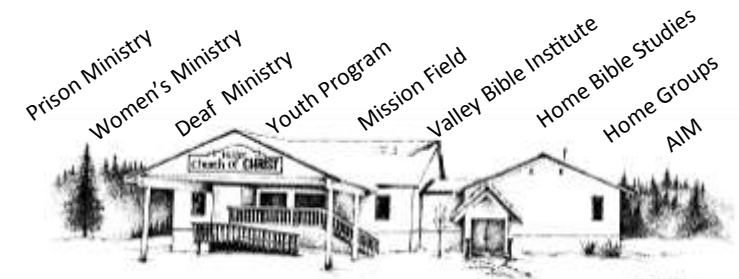
- Faith always leads the way and must bring Obedience.
- Baptism is our 1<sup>st</sup> step of obedience & completes our salvation by:
  - Putting on Christ – **Gal 3:27**
  - Having our sins forgiven – **Acts 2:38**
  - Having our sins washed away – **Acts 22:16**
  - Joining Christ in His death, burial, 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

# VALLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

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



**December 1, 2013**

*.....and I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.*  
 Ephesians 3:14-19

**SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES**

Sunday:  
 Service.....10:00AM—11:30AM  
 Fellowship Meal .....11:30AM—12:30PM  
 Bible Classes.....12:45PM—1:30PM  
 Wednesday:  
 Bible Classes.....7:00 PM

Office Hours 9:00am-4:00pm Monday-Friday  
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 and Perry Pruitt