

# CALENDAR UPDATE

## ONGOING EVENTS

Sunday Evening	Home Group at the Munsell's— Pot Luck Fellowship Meal, 5:30pm, Devotional at 6:30pm—Contact Scott Crockett at 928-5017
Monday Evenings	Valley Bible Institute Class, History of Christianity, 7:00-8:30pm, VCOC building
Mon, Thurs	Strong Women Workout—See Chantal Kinney
Tuesday Evenings	Men's Bible Study —7:00pm—Morphew's Home
Wednesday Evenings	Valley Bible Institute Class, Distinctive Nature of the Church, VCOC Building, April 11-July 11
Thursday Evenings	Eagle River Home Group rotating locations—6:00pm—Contact William at 281-723-6000 or williamrlong@gmail.com
Thursday Evenings	Palmer Home Group rotating locations—6:00pm —Contact Michael Katkus at 907-521-1326
Every other Friday Evening	KGB Home Group rotating locations—6:00pm potluck dinner, 7:00pm Devotional—Contact Tanya Scott at 907-982-5706

## UPCOMING EVENTS

April 15	TNT—VCOC Building—5:00-8:00pm
April 20-22	Alaska Statewide Lectureship, Hosted by the Soldotna Congregation. Flyers are on the table in the foyer.
April 28	Ladies Potluck Prayer Breakfast—8:00am, VCOC Building—Questions ask Aspen Kuenning.
April 28	Pre-Teen Event, 4:30pm—Contact Pan Elledge
April 30	Home School Annual Science and Project Fair—Set-up 11:30am, Finger-food lunch 12:00pm—Presentations 1:00pm. Contacts Nathan and Cheril Gardner
May 4-6	Youth Forum sponsored by Anchorage church of Christ held at VCOC Building. Host families needed for boys and girls. Contacts Jason and Jennifer Gardner.
May 5	Baby shower for Mea Katkus—See Insert
June 18-22	VBS, VCOC Building—Discovering God's Design

*“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests”. Ephesians 6:18*

## PRAYER REQUESTS

As you pray, please remember those listed below:

- **Eielson church of Christ** search for a minister.
- Valerie Long requested prayers for her brother, **John**, who is struggling with different things in life.
- Wilma Habig requested prayers for her granddaughter, **Debbie Hannah**. She is having health issues.
- **Sandra Crockett**, Scott's mother, health issues.
- **Jason Gardner** is being treated for a blood clot.
- **Jim Decker**, Craig's father, health continues to decline and needs constant care.
- **Leland Keller**, Mark's father, deteriorating health.
- **Wilma Habig** health.
- **Hope Elliott** broken leg.
- **Ed Cook's** cancer is in remission. He is home continuing to gain strength.
- **Robert Bowlus and family** as he is working in S Korea.
- **Lynda Elmore, Bryce Kirn, Brent Noe and Glenn Smith** are being treated for cancer.
- Please keep **Breanna Baldwin** and **Karli Murrill** in your prayers.
- **Annie Katkus** and **Mea Katkus** that they have safe pregnancies and deliver healthy babies.
- Continue to pray for **Michael Street** ongoing medical issues.
- Continue to pray for **Fletcher Collins** ongoing health issues.
- **Titus Caraway, Isaac Kuenning** and **Dorothy O'Neill** AIM.
- 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: Joy Bowlus**, Bob's mother, congestive heart failure; **Linda Gipson**, Daniel's mother-hospice care; **Bea Long**, Karen Williams' mother; **Hanna Cross**, Tim Caraways niece, degenerative joint disease; **Rick Hess**, Bruce's father; **Martha Lewis, Mark Seidl**. The following are suffering from cancer **Catherine Endersby**, Shannon Ross' grandmother; **Xavier Felon**, Stephen Teamer's Cousin; **Dean Johnson; Hans and Donna Becker**, Julie Kirn's brother-in-law and sister; **Vickie McMillen**, Pam Elledge's aunt; **Patty Paris**, Dana Keller's cousin; **Tia Worrell**, Johnny Carrington's niece.
- Continue to pray for **Derek Berg; Audrey Maze, Dorothy and Doreen** Julie Kirn's sisters; **Bonnie Murrill; Tevin Payne;** Jeff Reichel's father, **Clark; Lillian Schoonmaker, Jayden Scott.**



## SUNDAY ASSEMBLY

	April 15, 2018	April 22, 2018
Opening Prayer	Jeremiah Collins	Kirklin Kinney
Song Leader	Jason Gardner	T.J. Reichel
Scripture Reading	Craig Decker Ezra 7:1-14	Randy Tyler Ezra 7:15-28
Prayer	Chuck Sutton	Rocky Murrill
The Lord's Supper		
In Charge	James Smith	Adam Hanshew
Assist	Jerry Berg	Scott Owen
Assist	Daniel Gipson	Jerry Berg
Assist	Patrick Naler	Scott Williamson
Assist	Craig Elledge	Matthew Lynch
Scripture Reading	Matthew Henry	Daniel Gipson
Lesson	Robert Kuenning	TBD
Closing Prayer	Paul Boquet	Dave Rambow
Announcements	Scott Crockett	Scott Crockett

**PRISON MINISTRY**—18 in attendance April 8

**WEDNESDAY** —7:00pm—Singing/Devotional and Bible class.  
April 18—Devo, Craig Decker; Song Leader, Jason Dowdy  
April 25—Devo, James Smith; Song Leader, T.J. Reichel



## ATTENDED NURSERY

For your convenience we offer an attended nursery in room #2 for children age 2 and under. There is a training room for older children at the back of the auditorium.  
April 15 TBD  
April 22 TBD



## FELLOWSHIP MEAL CLEAN-UP SCHEDULE

April 15—Keller, Kinney, Lee, Lynch  
April 22—McDowell, Morphew, Murrill, Noe

## DEACONS

Scott Crockett—Fellowship  
Jason Gardner—Youth  
Adam Hanshew—Advanced Bible Education  
Mark Keller—Education  
Brady Kuenning—Online Ministry  
Daniel Morphew—Building and Grounds  
Rocky Murrill—Services  
Prison Ministry—Stephen Teamer  
James Smith—Missions  
Chuck Sutton—Business/Finance  
David Wolfe—Benevolence

### **SYMPATHY**

Leilani McElhanev lost her fight with cancer on Thursday afternoon. She is Blake and Malaki Murrill's mother. Please pray for every part of this grieving family that our Father's love and Christ's sacrifice will be seen. The date for the memorial service has not been set at this time.



### **BIRTH**

We are excited to announce that **Norah Long** has arrived into this world and that she is safely in her parents, William and Valerie Long's, arms. She was born on Tuesday evening and everyone is doing fine. Keep praying for them.

### **BABY SHOWER**

You are invited to a family baby shower honoring Nistor and Mea Katkus on May 5, 2018 at 2:00pm at the home of Mike and Annie Katkus (2652 W Bailey Avenue, Wasilla). Nistor and Mea are expecting a baby boy, Ezra, around June 1st. They are registered online at Amazon.com but are mostly in need of baby boy clothes, diapers, wipes and a bassinet. For directions to the Katkus home call Mike at 907-521-1326 or Annie at 907-521-1327.



**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 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.



<u>“I will show my faith by my works.”</u>		
For the Week Beginning	04-01-2018	04-08-2018
Service	254	249
Bible Class	143	172
Weekly Contribution	\$8705	\$4850
Budget	\$6460	
Wednesday	114	172

## ... .. 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**

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Mission of Valley church of Christ

**...Make Disciples...**Matthew 28:19



April 15, 2018

*“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.” John 14:12-14ESV*

### SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES

Sunday:

Service.....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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