

## CALENDAR UPDATE

### ONGOING EVENTS

|                            |                                                                                                                        |
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| 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, Apologetics II, 7:00-8:30pm, VCOC building                                               |
| Mon, Thurs                 | Strong Women Workout—See Chantal Kinney                                                                                |
| Tuesday Evenings           | Men's Bible Study —7:00pm—VCOC building                                                                                |
| Tuesday Evenings           | Ladies Bible Class—7:00pm—VCOC building in the Ladies class room—Contact Lizzie Price                                  |
| Wednesday Evenings         | Valley Bible Institute Class, Romans, 7:00-8:30pm, VCOC building                                                       |
| Thursday Evenings          | Eagle River Home Group rotating locations—6:00pm—Contact Evan at 214-662-8866 or ebcarnson26@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

|             |                                                                         |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| December 2  | Farewell Fellowship for Jordan Bertram— VCOC building, 7:00pm—See Below |
| December 6  | Ladies Craft Night—See Insert                                           |
| December 8  | Empty Nester Holiday Gathering—See Insert                               |
| December 9  | Pictures Taken—See Below                                                |
| December 15 | Girls Gals & Grannies—Contact Lizzie Price                              |

### FAREWELL FELLOWSHIP FOR JORDAN BERTRAM

Our AIM Student **Jordan Bertram** is completing his Mission field time and is leaving Alaska.

Mike and Annie Katkus are hosting a Farewell Fellowship at the Valley church of Christ building today **Sunday, December 2, 7:00pm**.

The Fellowship is a dessert potluck.

Contact Mike or Annie if you have any questions

Mike 907-521-1326

Annie 907-521-1327

There is an Alaska Book for Jordan on the table in the foyer. Please take a few minutes to sign it. Jordan leaves early December.

*“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:

- **Daniel Gipson** was scheduled for knee surgery on Friday.
- Please continue to pray for Loren and Penny Hollingsworth's daughter, **Rhonda**, who is dealing with cancer.
- **Continue to pray for Ed Cook and family.**
- Continue to pray for **Fletcher Collins** ongoing health issues.
- **Anchorage, Nikiski and Eielson churches of Christ** search for a minister.
- **Lynda Elmore** and **Bryce Kirn** are being treated for cancer.
- **Titus Caraway, Dorothy O'Neill, Isaac Kuenning and Loren and Penny Hollingsworth** are in the mission field. Phoenix Arizona, Northern Ireland and Thailand respectively.
- **Paul Walton** AIM Lubbock TX.
- Continue to pray for **Michael Street** ongoing medical issues.
- 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: Sandra Crockett; Jim Decker**, Craig's father; **Jessica Gipson; Linda Gipson**, Daniel's mother-hospice care; **Bea Long**, Karen Williams' mother; **Hanna Cross**, Tim Caraway's niece, degenerative joint disease; **Wilma Habig**, health: **Rick** and **Jean Hess**, Bruce's mother and father; **Martha Lewis**. The following are suffering from cancer **Catherine Endersby**, Shannon Ross' grandmother; **Xavier Felon**, Stephen Teamer's Cousin; **Jenn Haldeman**, friend of the Wolfe's; **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.**

### PICTURES FOR PICTURE BOARD

Kim Delph will be taking pictures for the picture board on **Sunday December 9 in room 2** (Mothers Room) at lunch time before Bible class. Please have your picture taken if you are new to the congregation, haven't had your picture taken or need an update to your picture. See Kim if you have questions.



### SUNDAY ASSEMBLY

**December 2, 2018**

**December 9, 2018**

Greeters:

|                   |                                   |                                 |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Opening Prayer    | Riley Scott                       | Jeff Porter                     |
| Song Leader       | David Aguilar                     | David Wolfe                     |
| Scripture Reading | Eric Burleson<br>Esther Chapter 5 | Evan Carson<br>Esther Chapter 6 |
| Prayer            | Ethan Forbis                      | Adam Hanshew                    |
| The Lord's Supper |                                   |                                 |
| In Charge         | David Desjarlais                  | James Smith                     |
| Assist            | Patrick Naler                     | Patrick Naler                   |
| Assist            | Craig Elledge                     | Michael Rosebeary               |
| Assist            | Bryan Wolfe                       | Chris Woods                     |
| Assist            | Jeff Reichel                      | Bryan Wolfe                     |
| Scripture Reading | Drew Hanson                       | Ethan Forbis                    |
| Lesson            | Jordan Bertram                    | Michael Katkus                  |
| Closing Prayer    | Daniel Mosely                     | Jarrett Finley                  |
| Announcements     | Scott Crockett                    | Scott Crockett                  |

**PRISON MINISTRY**—13 in attendance November 25

**WEDNESDAY** —7:00pm—Singing/Devotional and Bible class.  
December 5—Devo—John Katkus; Song Leader, TBD  
December 12—Devo— Tim Caraway; Song Leader, Stephen Teamer



### 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.



### FELLOWSHIP MEAL CLEAN-UP SCHEDULE

December 2—Keller, Lee, Long, Lynch  
December 9—McDowell, McGill, McMullen, Moseley

### DEACONS

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

### LADIES CRAFT NIGHT

Ladies Craft Night at the Valley church of Christ building December 6 at 6:00pm. We will be making Christmas ornaments and picture frames. If you wish to make a Christmas ornament to take home with you please bring a photo with you (not digital) to be put on the ornament. For more information contact Gresha Wolfe. Bring your favorite finger food to share.

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Marlene Munsell is collecting blankets!  
For: Mat-Su Special Santa Program  
The Goal is 300 blankets by December 8th  
Needs: New or like new twin, full or queen size blankets  
If you would like to donate a blanket please drop it in the box labeled blanket donations that is located in the office hallway.  
Questions please contact Marlene



*Barry and Marlene Munsell  
invite you to an*

# Empty Nester Holiday Gathering

Saturday, December 8  
6:30 pm

Appetizer potluck

2468 N Larkspur Hill Circle

Questions contact Marlene at 232-6179 or [akmunsell@gmail.com](mailto:akmunsell@gmail.com)

Plenty of parking if you  
pull in drive and go past house

Dave Rambow is collecting items for the 9th annual Bean's Café "Beanie Box" drive.

Toiletries for the clients of Bean's Café is the focus of the boxes. There is a list of items needed as well as items not to donate on the donation box in the office hallway. Last day to donate is December 15. See Dave for more information.



**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                     | 11-18-2018 | 11-25-2018 |
| Service                                    | 225        | 207        |
| Bible Class                                | 147        | 157        |
| Weekly Contribution                        | \$8280     | \$5494     |
| Budget                                     | \$6460     |            |
| Wednesday                                  | 134        | 114        |

## ... .. 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 2, 2018

*.....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.....11:45AM—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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and Michael Katkus—521-1326

Elders: Rick Collins, Robert Kuenning, Perry Pruitt