

VALLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

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



May 11, 2025

Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all." Proverbs 31:25-29ESV

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

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... .. 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 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	04-27-2025	05-04-2025
Assembly	247	214
Bible Class	135	118
Weekly Contribution	\$8964	\$6624
Weekly Budget Goal	\$7711	
Wednesday	123	111

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
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. 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

May	Youth Schedule —See Insert
May 11	Special Contribution for James Smith and Family—Mission work in Albania—
May 17	Baby shower honoring Helen Hanson—See Insert
MAY 18	VBS Meeting after Bible Class in the Auditorium
June 14	VCOC Fun Day—Contact Ant Collins or Bonnie Burkhardtsmeier—See Insert
June 20-22	Alaska Statewide Youth Forum at Valley church of Christ—Registration will be through the Anchorage church of Christ
June 23-27	Vacation Bible School—The Character of Jesus
Oct 10, 11 and 12	Seminar — Why Believe in God —Eric Lyons, Apologetics Press, at Valley church of Christ—See flyer on the table in the foyer—Contact Alex Hess

“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:

- **Lynn Berg**, Jerry’s mother, continues to recover from a stroke.
- **Alex Connors** continues to recover from a woodworking accident where he severely injured his left hand.
- Please be in prayer for those that are having health issues and other struggles. **Bonnie Burkhardtsmeier, Betty Carrington, Josephine Goyer, Daniel and Jessica Gipson, Joan Kistler, Lee and Marcia Ames, Bonnie Murrill, Maddy Naler, Margeret Parker, Alice Jason Murphy’s Aunt, Rob VanDussen and those who are struggling in silence.**
- Please keep **Tim and Kelly Caraway** in your prayers as Tim continues treatment for cancer.
- Please keep **Glenn and Sally Smith** in your prayers. Glenn had good scan results for cancer but he needs to be careful about being exposed to sickness.
- 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 be in prayer for **Helen Hanson** and **Catherine Stefan** that they have safe pregnancies and deliver healthy babies.
- Please keep the Smith Family, **James, Andrea, Clara, Lydia** and **Gideon**, in your prayers as they are in the Mission Field in Albania. Newsletter on mission table in the foyer.
- Please be in prayer for **Kyah Morris, Makenna Paine and Joseph Potter**. All are at their Mission assignments with AIM (Adventures in Missions). Newsletters on mission table in the foyer.
- 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: Hanna Cross**, Tim Caraway’s niece, degenerative joint disease. The following are suffering from cancer; Maggie Kofstad’s brother **Gary; Richard Lawson**, Meredith Porters father; **Alice Thorne**, Gary Skan’s sister.
- Continue to pray for **Derek Berg** and **Jayden Scott**.



SUNDAY ASSEMBLY

	May 11, 2025	May 18, 2025
Opening Prayer	Randy Tyler	Jason Murphy
Song Leader	John Teamer	Logan Decker
Scripture Reading	Jason Dowdy Ephesians Chap 6	Brady Kuenning Philippians Chap 1
Prayer	Craig Decker	Ben Roaman
The Lord’s Supper		
In Charge	Jim Cato	John Teamer
Assist	Jerry Berg	Kolten Morris
Assist	Grayson McDowell	Evan Naler
Assist	David Elledge	Cale Garrett
Assist	Mogans Tyler	Joshua Gardner
Assist	Hulon Hess	Elijah Naler
Scripture Reading	Quentin Altman	Stephen Teamer
Lesson	Jeff Smith	Jeff Smith
Closing Prayer	Sawyer Collins	James Cato
Announcements	Scott Crockett	Scott Crockett

WEDNESDAY ASSEMBLY

	May 14, 2025	May 21, 2025
Opening Prayer	Elijah Naler	David Elledge
Song Leader	Adam Kuenning	Alex Galbier
Devo (5 Min)	Cale Garrett	Logan Decker
Class Lesson	Isaac Kuenning	Craig Decker
Closing Prayer	Howard Blaine	Scott Crockett



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

May 11—Moen, Munsell, Murrill—Kitchen; Paine, Porter—Fellowship Hall
 May 18—Rorman, Scott, Spurlin—Kitchen; Teamer J, Teamer S—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

11-17 May: F.A.M. Group Week.

25 May: 6-8PM: The Chosen Movie Night at VcoC. Season 2, Episodes 1 & 2. Food provided. Bring drinks or snack to share.



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.



Sunday Small Group

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