CALENDAR UPDATE

ONGOING EVENTS

Monday Evenings	Valley Bible Institute—Sunset Class, Via Zoom—Acts of the Apostles, Ends April 1, 2024-7:00pm-Contact Adam Hanshew		
Tuesday Evenings	Men's Bible Study—7:00pm—VCOC building—Teen Class Room		
Tuesday Evenings	Ladies Bible Study—7:00pm —VCOC building—Ladies Classroom— See Insert for QR code		
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—530-7:30pm—This group will meet every other week at rotating locations. Contact The Reichels. See insert for QR code		
Sunday Evenings	Young Adult Group meets at 5:00pm on Sunday evenings with rotating locations. Mike Katkus is the contact.		
	UPCOMING EVENTS		
February-March	Youth Schedule—See Insert Use QR code to stay connected		
March 1-2	Ladies Retreat—Anchorage church of Christ		
March 2	Teachers Workday, 9:00am untilContact Shaphan or Autumn Collins		
March 4	Appreciation/Recognition Gathering for Emily Serrano, 7:00pm VCOC building		
March 10	Elders and Deacons Meeting 2-30pm—Teen Room		
March 10	Daylight Saving Time Begins		
April 19-21	Lectureship—Navigating Culture in Christ Northern Lights church of Christ, Fairbanks		
• Please be in prayer for our Mission Team as they spread Gods word in the Valley and around the State.			

- 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, Scott's mother; Jessica Gipson; Hanna Cross, Tim Caraway's niece, degenerative joint disease; Jean Hess, Bruce's mother; Aspen Kuenning. The following are suffering from cancer; Jackie Dowdy, Jason's mother; Dean Johnson; Maggie Kofstad's brother Gary; Richard Lawson; Laurie Rose, Bonnie Burkhardsmeier's niece; Alice Thorne, Gary Skan's sister.
- Continue to pray for Derek Berg, Ed Cook, Bonnie Murrill, Jayden Scott.

"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 **Loren and Penny Hollingsworth** in your prayers. They were to return to Thailand where Loren was to have more tests and evaluations.
- Please keep Kim Delph and Bonnie Murrill in your prayers they are in much pain. Kim fell and fractured a rib on the ice (She is now in Hawaii) Bonnie has a compression fracture on the L1 vertebrae. She will be doing physical therapy.
- Please keep Jason Murphy's mother, Margaret Parker, in your prayers. As of last update she continued to be in the hospital.
- Be in prayer for all that are recovering from surgery .
- Please keep **Glenn and Sally Smith** in your prayers. Glenn continues to be treated for cancer.
- Please keep **Tim Caraway** in your prayers. He is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- Please keep the **Kammermeyer and Nunley families** in your prayers as they deal with a recent tragedy in their families.
- Please continue to pray for **Jim and Debbie Hartley**. Jim is dealing with very challenging health issues.
- Josephine Goyer is doing better. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Please continue to pray for both **Richard and Louise Klerk** as they continue to recover.
- Please keep **Monte and Janet Grow** in your prayers. Monte is having health issues.
- Please keep **Sandy Shacklett and her family** in your prayers. They are having some particularly difficult situations in their lives.
- Kim Delph requested prayers for her **Brother's family** for a very serious on going situation.
- Fletcher Collins ongoing health issues.
- Michael Street ongoing medical and health issues.
- Brent and Brenda Noe, Patricia Houser and Jesica Gipson are in Deering for the school year.
- Please be in prayer for **Kimberly Keller and Karli (Murrill) Sherk** that they have safe pregnancies and deliver healthy babies.
- We have one young adult in the Mission Field: Kinley Scott, Apaxco, Mexico. Please keep her in your prayers as she spreads God's word around the world.
- Please keep the Smith Family, James, Andrea, Clara, Lydia and Gideon, in your prayers as they are in the Mission Field in Albania.
- Please be in prayer for our four young adults, Kyah Morris, Makenna Paine, Joseph Potter and Joshua Gardner, in the AIM (Adventures in Missions) program at Sunset International Bible Institute in Lubbock, Texas.
- Please keep Loren and Penny Hollingsworth in your prayers as they are in the Mission Field.



SUNDAY ASSEMBLY

200	February 25, 2024	March 3 2024
Opening Prayer	Chuck Sutton	Rocky Murrill
Song Leader	Logan Decker	Bruce Hess
Scripture Reading	Alex Hess	Alex Galbier
	Acts 9:1-19	Acts 9:20-31
Prayer	Sawyer Collins	Russ Bunyard
The Lord's Supper		
In Charge	Craig Decker	John Teamer
Assist	Scott Crockett	Jerry Berg
Assist	Wilson Hess	Drew Hanson
Assist	Jerry Berg	Shaphan Collins
Assist	Grayson McDowell	David Elledge
Assist	Tyler Williams	Jeff Reichel
Scripture Reading	Luke Gardner	Scott Crockett
Lesson	Robert Kuenning	Mike Katkus
Closing Prayer	Ben Rorman	Grayson McDowell
Announcements	Scott Crockett	Scott Crockett

WEDNESDAY ASSEMBLY

	February 28 2024	March 6, 2024
Opening Prayer	Jason Murphy	Shaphan Collins
Song Leader	Logan Decker	Rocky Murrill
Devo (5 Min)	Chuck Sutton	Alex Galbier
Class Lesson	Isaac Kuenning	Isaac Kuenning
Closing Prayer	David Elledge	Chuck Sutton

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

Feb 25—Reichel, Spurlin, Rorman—Kitchen; Scott, Rosebeary—Fellowship Hall March 3—Teamer, Williams, Wohlbach—Kitchen; Berg, Blaine—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

25 Feb, 5:00-7:30PM, TNT hosted by the Kinney's (8469 W Parks Highway, right just past MM 50), food provided.

1 March, 6-9 PM, Basketball at Pioneer Peak Elementary (1959 N Stringfield Rd, Palmer, AK, 99645). Bring a ball (if you have one) and some water.

3 March, 2-5PM, Area-wide Teen Event at the VcoC building. Bring your Bible and a notebook.

24 March, 5-7:30PM, TNT hosted by Logan Decker family. Bring your Bible and a notebook.



Sunday Small Group

Use the QR code to the left to stay connected with the Sunday Small Group on WhatsApp. Contact the Reichels.



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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.

APPRECIATION/RECOGNITION FOR EMILY SERRANO

Emily has completed her Mission field time and will be leaving Alaska. There is a gathering to recognize and acknowledge her investment of time and energy into the Kingdom in Alaska at the Valley church of Christ building on Monday, March 4, 2024, 7:00pm. There will be desserts (and Ice Cream) and finger food. (Please bring your favorite finger food to share). There is an Alaska book in the foyer for Emily. Please take a few minutes to sign it.

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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.

REMINDER: As a courtesy to others PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONE.



"I will show my faith by my works."

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For the Week Beginning	02-11-2024	02-18-2024
* Assembly	214	187
* Bible Class	98	107
Weekly Contribution	\$7656	\$3825
Weekly Budget Goal \$7711		
Wednesday	CANCELLED	

...... 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

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 $\,>\,$ Jesus taught that $\underline{\textsc{Baptism}}$ 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 <u>faith AND baptized him</u>. – Acts 8:35-38

> Paul told the jailer that he must have FATIH and then he IMMEDIATELY <u>baptized Him and his family</u>.-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 <u>faith</u> in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were <u>baptized</u> 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 <u>Grace</u> 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



February 25, 2024

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, instructing us to deny ungodly and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age, looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds. Titus 2:11-14

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 Website: www.akvcoc.com Ministers: Robert Kuenning —907-354-3011 and Michael Katkus—907-521-1326 Elders: Rick Collins, Kirklin Kinney, Robert Kuenning