

Prayer Requests

Place in the offering baskets  
or the offering boxes near the  
Worship Center doors or  
at the Welcome Center.  
☐ Prayer Team ☐ Confidential

This Week At ACV:

**Sunday - December 14th**  
8:45 am Worship Rehearsal - WC  
9:00 am Sunday School  
10:00 am Children's Christmas Program  
10:00 am Sunday Service - WC

**Tuesday - December 16th**  
9:00 am Women's Prayer - C

**Wednesday - December 17th**  
6:45 pm AWANA- ACV  
7:00 pm Youth Group - SC  
7:00 pm SWAGS - C  
7:00 pm Women's Study - D  
7:00 pm Men's Study - 3 Arrows

**Thursday - December 18th**  
5:00 pm Open Arms Dinner - GR

**Friday - December 19th**  
1:00 pm Women's Bible Study

**Saturday - December 20th**  
7:00 am Men's Group - CR

**Key:**  
WC- Worship Center GR- Great Room  
SC - Student Center CR- Conference  
D- Classroom D C- Classroom C  
5- Classroom 5 P- Pavilion

Our Staff:

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Looking Ahead...

December 18th Open Arms Dinner  
December 24th Christmas Eve Services  
December 31st CYAH New Years Party  
January 4th 40 Days of Prayer Begins  
January 15th JOY Group Lunch  
January 23-25th HS Winter Retreat  
January 24th WM Dinners of Six  
February 7th Men's Conference  
February 14th Valentine's Day Event

Next Sunday, December 21st, 2025

Greeters: Todd & Kari Flom  
Children's Church: Vermae Matheson &  
Tammy & Hannah Wondra  
Nursery: Sharon Barczak

Stewardship Update

Attendance for December 7th, Service: 347

Giving For December 7th, 2025

General Fund Weekly Budget	\$	12,846.15
General Fund Giving	\$	14,218.72
Missions Giving	\$	820.00
Year To Date Missions Giving	\$	13,661.94
Last Year To Date Giving	\$	22,432.00
General Fund Budget (thru 19 wk)	\$	244,076.85
General Fund Offering (thru 19wk)	\$	246,365.31

There are many ways to give;  
the offering baskets, the offering boxes  
located at the Worship Center Exits,  
and online through stcroixalliance.com  
Thank you for your faithful generosity!

12/14/2025



Welcome to Alliance Church of the Valley

2025  
Koinonia Café Open  
10:00 am Worship Services

Cry Room/Nursing  
Mother's Room

A glass enclosed sound proof  
room is available at the back of  
the upper level of the  
Worship Center for parents  
with children or nursing  
mothers. It contains an audio  
feed from the sound booth.

Nursery 10:00 AM

Our well staffed nursery is  
available on the upper level  
across from the Worship  
Center doors for children who  
are infant to 36 months.

Children's Church  
10:00 AM

We provide an age suitable  
learning environment for our  
families in Classroom #3 on the  
lower level. Kids age 3-6 years  
old are welcome to participate.  
Please arrive prior to the start  
of service.

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SERMON

Sermon Series: Advent- Heaven Came Down  
Sunday, December 14th, 2025  
Title: Joy Came Down  
Text: Luke 2:8-20; Philippians 4:4-5;  
John 15:11; Psalm 16:11  
Speaker: Pastor Jeff Naegelen

**-First Time Visitors-**  
We are so glad you’ve come this morning to seek the Lord Jesus Christ and worship Him together with us. Please take a moment to complete the Connection Card attached to this worship folder. Please bring it to the Welcome Center to receive a *complimentary gift bag* and information about the ministries of our church.

**Advent Service**  
**Our Advent Journey**  
Today, we continue our journey through Advent, a time of hopeful anticipation and preparation for the arrival of our Savior, Jesus Christ. This week, we welcome the Ties family - Bill, Jill, Betsy, Winnie and Leo -as they light the third candle:  
The Candle of JOY.



**Connecting With Our Church Family**  
**Christmas Program**  
We are so glad to welcome all of you to our special service today! We are excited to share a program that our dedicated Sunday School kids have been preparing for weeks, just for us. Their efforts, passion, and excitement are a true blessing, and we encourage you to sit back, relax, and truly enjoy the show they have put together. A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the wonderful teachers, committed helpers, and everyone else who contributed to make this program possible. Following the Church Service, please join us in the Great Room to share in some treats and fellowship!

**Holiday Schedule**  
The most wonderful time of the year has arrived—the Christmas Season is officially here!  
Don't miss these key dates:  
December 24th  
4:00 pm Christmas Eve Program  
6:00 pm Christmas Eve Program  
December 25-26th  
Christmas - Office Closed

**Christmas Eve Services**  
You are warmly invited to join us this Christmas Eve for a beautiful and meaningful Candle Light Services. This year, we are pleased to offer two opportunities to celebrate the greatest gift ever given: at 4:00 pm and again at 6:00 pm. Come and experience the profound peace of the season as you listen to amazing music, a message of hope, and participate in the quiet beauty of the candlelight. It is a perfect way to center your heart and celebrate the true meaning of Christmas with your family and community. We look forward to celebrating with you!



**J.O.Y. Group Lunch(55+)**  
Thank you to everyone who joined us for the JOY Group Christmas Lunch! It was a wonderful celebration filled with laughter, fellowship, and holiday cheer. Now, please mark your calendars for our next JOY Group Lunch will be held on January 15th. Keep an eye out for more information coming soon.

**Prayer Requests**  
If you are in need of prayer, we offer several confidential ways to submit your request: simply fill out a Connection Card and leave it at the Welcome Center, contact the church office by email or phone, or submit it through the Prayer Wall on our Church App. Please reach out to the office for details installing and/using the App.

**Connecting to the Community**  
**Open Arms Dinner**  
You are invited to join us for our Open Arms Dinner this Thursday, December 18th, starting at 5:00 pm. This dinner is a wonderful chance for great food, amazing fellowship and new friendships. Come enjoy a delicious meal that includes a Soup Bar, Relish Cup, Bread/Toast/Crackers, and a Black Forest Cake for dessert. YUM!



**Open Arms Help**  
You can contribute to Open Arms in a few ways: simply drop off nonperishable food items at the church office, give a monetary gift clearly marked "Open Arms," or if you would like to volunteer your time to serve, please contact the church office directly. Thank you for your continued support!

**Women’s Ministry**  
**Let’s Get Connected**  
Before you know it, it will be the New Year! Ready to connect, grow, and serve? The ACV Women's Ministry is here to help you achieve your resolutions for community involvement, closer faith, and deeper friendships. To ensure you stay notified of upcoming events, please contact Kate at acvwomensministry@gmail.com or fill out a Connection Card and leave it at the Welcome Center. We can't wait to welcome you to the ACV Women's community!



**Young Adults Ministry**  
**New Year Celebration**  
Join your CYAH community for a fun New Year's Eve Celebration on Wednesday, December 31st, at 7:00 p.m. We'll be gathering at the ACV Student Center for an evening of delicious food, fellowship, games, trivia, and raffles as we celebrate the past year and look forward to the next. The signups are located online or at the Welcome Center.

**Youth Ministry**  
**HS Winter Retreat**  
Calling all High School Students! Get ready to unplug, recharge, and connect with friends because you definitely want to Save the Date for our incredible Winter Retreat! We're headed away for a weekend of fellowship, fun, and faith development from January 23rd-25th. Keep an eye out for more details and registration coming very soon, you won't want to miss this!



**Children’s Ministry**  
**AWANA**  
Hey Kids! We invite all kids from PreK-6th grade to join AWANA every Wednesday night! Come enjoy awesome games, exciting Bible lessons, scripture memorization, and friendship-building activities from 6:45-8:15 pm. Registration is still open and available online. We can't wait to see you this Wednesday!

**Connection Card**  
Please sign, tear off, and place in the offering.

- ☐ 1st time guest  
☐ 2nd time guest  
☐ 3rd time guest  
☐ Regular Attender  
☐ Member  
☐ Visiting with family/friends  
☐ New Address/Phone/ Email

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

- Age Group**  
☐ Jr./ Sr High      ☐ 40-50’s  
☐ College (18-24)      ☐ 60-70’s  
☐ 20-30’s      ☐ 80+

Name(s) of children living at home and ages:  
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- I’d Like information on:**  
☐ How to begin a relationship with Christ  
☐ How to become a church member  
☐ Youth Ministries  
☐ Children Ministries  
☐ Small Groups (Life Groups)  
☐ Interested in Baptism  
☐ Women’s Ministries  
☐ Men’s Ministries  
☐ Music Opportunities  
☐ I’d like to talk to a pastor  
☐ I’d like to subscribe to the newsletter  
☐ I’d like a church mailbox

Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
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