Welcome to ValleyView

We are glad you are here to worship together today. What a privilege we’ve been given to gather as Christ-followers to lift up the name of Jesus. Our desire is to bring Him glory in all that we do as an act of worship. Scripture reminds us in 2 Corinthians 5:20 that we are the visible expression of Christ to our community and the world in which we live. It is our prayer that you experience His love and grace in your life. You can find more information about ValleyView on our website www.valleyviewcma.org.

9:15 Sunday School Hour

- **Children’s Classes**
  - Age 2 - Sr. High (Nursery available)

- **Adult Classes**
  - “Studies in Ezekiel & Revelation”
    - Taught by Paul McCleary in RM #6/7
  - “Counter Culture” by David Platts
    - Taught by Lisa Hildebrand in RM #10

9:00 & 10:45AM Worship Services

**Message**

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**Hymn #64**

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This Week at ValleyView

**Today**

- 8:00—8:50 Prayer Ministries
- 9:00—10:15 Worship Service
- 9:15—10:15 Sunday School
- 10:45—12:00 Worship Service
- 11:00—12:00 SHINE
- 6:00—8:00 SURGE

**Monday**

- 7:00PM First & Fifteen

**Tuesday**

- 6:30PM The Rest (young adults)
- 7:00PM Prayer Ministry
- 7:00PM Spanish Class

**Wednesday**

- 1:30PM Released Time
- 6:30PM Worship Team Practice

**Saturday**

- 6:00-9:15PM Barr Christmas
  - Open House
- 6:00PM Arabic Christian Church

Family & Finance

**Happy Birthday!**

Mark Housman  12/13
Dorothy Markey  12/13
Gene Aldinger  12/18
Deiandra Jeffery  12/18
Ron Bolton  12/19
Terri Laughman  12/19
Greg Horner  12/20
Herb Hartman  12/22
Janelle Housman  12/22
Craig Jeffery  12/22

**Happy Anniversary!**

Pastor Don & Eleanore  12/21

Praises & Prayer Requests

1. Please pray for Linda Gromling as she recovers from surgery on her carotid artery which she underwent on Thursday (12/10).

2. Please ask the Lord to bless our Christmas Eve services. In the past, we’ve had many present who do not regularly attend our church. Please ask the Lord to pour out His Spirit as we present Jesus Christ, the One born in the manger, as Savior and Lord.

3. Please ask the Lord to bless our Baptismal Service on Sunday, Dec. 27 at 10:30AM. We have a good number who have expressed interest in following in the footsteps of Christ, declaring their faith publically through baptism. Ask the Lord to speak to those present through their testimonies.

4. Please pray for safe travel for all our family and friends who will be travelling this Christmas season.

Christmas Eve Live Nativity

Imagine driving up Alliance Ave. for our Christmas Eve services and seeing a live nativity scene—complete with a stable, actors in costume and live animals! Why? To encourage everyone to consider the One born in a manger is Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior of the World. Crystal Bolton is leading this event and she is looking for some excited volunteers. Help is needed for preparation/construction, acting, and animal handling. If you want to join the team, please sign up on your response card. Call Crystal (870-4858) if you have any questions.

Generosity

**Current Fund 12/6**

- $6,277

**YTD Current Fund**

- $261,189

**Goal YTD**

- $263,282

**Missions Fund 12/6**

- $1,115

**YTD Missions Fund**

- $46,106

**Goal YTD**

- $44,774

**Building Fund 12/6**

- $275

**YTD Building Fund**

- $28,910
POST OFFICE: Please have your cards placed in the decorated box in the Lobby no later than today so they can be distributed on Sunday Dec. 20.

POINSETTIAS: Today is the last day to sign up for poinsettias to remember or honor a loved one on the “Our Family” bulletin board in the Lobby. They will decorate the sanctuary until the evening of Christmas Eve, when you can take yours home. The cost is $8. Please mark your offering envelope “Poinsettia.”

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES: The Governing Board has decided to move the Christmas Eve services thirty minutes earlier to better accommodate everyone. The first service will be at 5:30PM and the second at 7:00PM.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 27… A SPECIAL DAY AT VALLEYVIEW:
- One Worship Service only at 10:30AM
- Baptism
- Christmas Music
- Special offering for the C&MA
- No Sunday School/SHINE/SURGE

BAPTISM: Our next opportunity to be baptized will be on Sunday Dec. 27 at our one and only service that day – 10:30AM. Please see Pastor Don or Pastor Paul if you are interested in being baptized.

SHINE: Our Sunday morning children’s ministry during the 10:45 services has a few openings for volunteers to help out in December. Please see Alec and Emily Young at the SHINE table in the Lobby to find out where you can serve.

SOUND MINISTRY HELP NEEDED: Scott Barr, our Sound Ministry leader, is looking for a few volunteers to add to the team. There is a special need for the 10:45 service. If you think this would be a great opportunity to serve at ValleyView, please see Scott, James O’Handly, or Pastor Don. Of course, we will provide all the training you need.

SPANISH CLASS: Do you want to continue learning Spanish? We are working on a class for 2016, most likely on Tuesdays. Two Tuesdays a month will be with a teacher and another Tuesday and/or Sunday with just learners. The fee for the teacher is $20 per month or $100 for Jan. through June—payable at time of first class of each month (if paying monthly the last month is free). The class will likely be held at ValleyView or in the homes of the learners. If you have any interest contact Lynn VanHouwe (852-9629 or run.fast1@comcast.net).

FINANCIAL HEALTH WORKSHOP: Tina Glotfelter will be leading a workshop to help you understand and get a handle on your finances. It will be on Sunday, Jan. 10 at 12:15PM here at the church. Watch your next week’s bulletin for further info.

ValleyView Alliance Church          December 13, 2015
See the SURGE bulletin board for sign-ups and more info!

**S.U.R.G.E.**

**SURGE Tonight:** 6-8PM

**Connect Groups:**
- Sr. High Girls Monday 6-8PM
- Dudes Monday 6-8PM
- Jr. High Girls Wednesday 6:30-8PM

**What’s Happening?**

**Dec. 20**

Christmas Party
5-8PM
Please bring a $5 wrapped gift, 2 dozen of your favorite Christmas cookies, and wear a festive outfit!

**Dec. 24**

Christmas Caroling
4:30 & 6:30PM
(before 5:30 & 7:00PM services)

**Dec. 27**

Baptism Sunday 10:30AM
Several youth are being baptized!

**Jan. 3**

No SURGE

**Jan. 10**

Missions Sunday

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**SUNDAY, DEC. 27**

**WE WILL LOVE**

SPECIAL OFFERING

**THE ALLIANCE**

**SUNDAY, DEC. 27**
The Barr Family invites you to their

Light-o-Rama Christmas Open House

Over 50,000 Christmas lights synchronized to music!

December 19th shows at 6, 7:30 and 8:45

Schedule to accommodate showtimes & traffic

Suggested Arrival Times:
5:30, 7:00, or 8:30pm

Suggested Departure Times:
6:30, 8:00, or 9:15+

* Dress warm, show is outside
* Refreshments served inside
* 717-244-8872 snow date 12/28

If using Google maps enter our actual address:
580 Barshinger Road
Red Lion PA 17356

Mapquest and most GPS lead you to the wrong address, but you can use them if you put in
580 Dellinger School Road

When Holidays Are Tough...

As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ on Christmas morning, we recognize that for some in our family, these days are not always filled with excitement and joy. Why? Because holidays are often difficult for anyone who has experienced the death of someone loved. Rather than being times of family togetherness, sharing, and thanksgiving, holidays can bring feelings of sadness, loss, and emptiness. It might be a spouse, a child, a parent, or close friend... and your holidays will never be the same again. We want to give you an opportunity to remember the one you are missing this season. Next Sunday (12/20), there will be a time during the services where you will be able to place an ornament on our tree in the front of the sanctuary. We will then ask the Lord to bring His peace and comfort to those who are experiencing loss this season. The ornament can be anything you wish that can hang on the tree and we will return them when the tree comes down. Our hope is that the I AM who is the resurrection and life would fill your grief with His love. If you have any questions, please give Pastor Don a call.
AND THEN WE HAD KIDS...
We had NO idea how difficult parenting would be.

You are not alone! Today’s culture is floundering and has lost its way with respect to parenting. We are like a rudderless ship without a compass. Many have concluded that parenting is impossible.

This task is NOT hopeless.

Here is a seminar that will teach you how to raise godly children in the midst of a godless society.

The topics we will discuss are:

- Why did we have kids anyway? Seeing your children through God’s eyes
- How to train your children with a biblical foundation
- How to effectively discipline your children

I’m sure you believe you don’t have the time to give up a Saturday morning, but this seminar has the potential to change the future of your family and the lives of your children. You don’t want to miss it.

Place: Biblical Counseling Center of York
Date: January 23, 2016
Time: 9AM to 12PM
Cost: $20 per person, $30 per couple
Seating is limited!

Please RSVP by January 20, 2016
Email cbaugher@bccyork.org or call (717) 650-2751

Self-Confrontation Course 1
An In-Depth Biblical Discipleship Course

In every culture throughout history, man has tried to find solutions to life’s problems. Each generation has developed new man-made philosophies, but the answers to life’s problems still elude us.

The Scriptures contain the key to all of life’s problems.

The Self-Confrontation Course 1 will lay the biblical foundation for how to identify the heart of your problem and will teach you how to live victoriously in the struggles of life.

Many who have taken this course say that it has totally changed their lives.

This 8-week course will be on Monday evenings starting January 18 from 6-8PM or Tuesday mornings starting January 19 from 9-11AM.

Place: The Biblical Counseling Center of York
Cost: $50 per person (includes manual)

Please register by: January 14, 2016
Email cbaugher@bccyork.org or call (717) 650-2751