

Welcome to Pinole Valley Community Church

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Pastor John Wright ~ Youth Minister Mike Estabrook

*Let us examine our ways and test them, and let us return to the Lord.
Lamentations 3:25*

~ I am with you always ~

Jesus

November 27, 2011 ~ Today is the first Sunday of Advent

Prelude		
Welcome / Prayer		Pastor Mike
The King's Business		Kevin Taylor
Hymn	My Faith has found a resting place	405
Scripture Reading		
Hymn	It is well	493
Pastoral Prayer		Pastor
Worship Choruses		Worship Team
Message	A Kingdom here & now	Pastor
Invitation / benediction		Pastor Mike

You are invited to stay for refreshments after the Service today

Lectionary Readings

Old Testament	Isaiah 64:1-9
Psalm	80:1-7 & 17-19
Epistle	Corinthians 1:3-9
Gospel	Mark 13:24-37

This Week at PVCC

The Gathering	Mon 7:00 PM
Prayer Time at the PVCC altar	Wed 7:30 PM
Deck the Halls (and lunch)	Thursday 11AM
Women's group	Thursday. 7:00 PM
Christmas Music Practice	Tues & Fri. 4:30 PM

Stats for the Saints ~ thank you for worshiping & giving at PVCC.
Last week's offering 1513, attendance 58, Missions 262 .

God is Glorious : Advent 2011 at PVCC . . . The annual

Christian season of *Advent* illuminates the coming of the prophesied Messiah. It's a season of joy distinct from the world's concept of "the Holidays" or "Christmas". Our focus is on a celebration of the birth of Jesus the Christ in his First Advent, and our anticipation of the return of Christ.

During the 5 weeks of *Advent*, Christians celebrate when God came to split time & eternity. He "occupied" time at Bethlehem as Emmanuel, "God with us." During Advent we not only celebrate, we anticipate Jesus' Second Advent. Jesus will step through the portal of eternity. God will humble the all pride to transform all things



We enjoy *Advent as* we feel an expectation of a new visit of the Holy Spirit inside of us too. We celebrate with candles, different colors, and carols. It's a great time of a renewal, reconciliation.

Let's get ready for the Advent 2011 ~ Celebrate & Anticipate.

Resources for you

The Nursery in the Dome Building next door is equipped with children's area and changing table.

Hearing assist devices are available at the service at the sound booth

Free bottled water is available in the kitchen frig, for the thirsty & *Water of life* available in the sanctuary.

Shoe boxes for the Children's Mission trip

Are due back today see Janet or Joel Smith for information



Special Music for Christmas is planned See Joyce Hibler to be a part of the program. Practice one is this week.

Dates and Opportunities

- ~ Deck the Halls. Come on out and help the Church Services Team to decorate PVCC for Christmas Thursday Afternoon from 11:100 to 12:30, Lunch served.
 - ~ Recital December Fiat Music 12/3, 3:30 to 5:30PM, Local Students in a Christmas concert presentation
 - ~ Recital December Fiat Music 12/10, 3:30 to 5:30PM, Local Students in a Christmas concert
 - ~ Candle Light Service December 24th, 7:30.. Festival of light
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Dinole Valley Community Church Family Membership

Christians who attend PVCC are considered true “members of the family” and are whole-heartedly welcome to participate in communion, all church functions, and ministries. Those who desire to commit to PVCC as their spiritual home in public service and participate in the few events that PVCC votes on in regular business meetings are welcome to join. The process involves speaking with pastor for guidance on becoming a formal member, prayer, and introduction to the congregation on a given Sunday..

Christians desiring to follow the Lord Jesus in Christian Baptism are encouraged to do so. Speak with pastor to arrange for brief instruction, prayer, and setting the date for the happy and blessed day of Baptism.

3 of 11 PVCC's Core Values

Simplicity: At PVCC we value a ‘keep it simple and smart’ principle towards life. We endeavor to keep church life uncomplicated not distracted by passing trends in politics, theology or philosophy. Our desire is to focus on Christ and His love

Safety: At PVCC we value a community where emotional and spiritual safety is the key and is free from gossip, judgment, or politics. We strive to provide an environment where people can find comfort, love, acceptance, help, hope, and forgiveness.

Balance: At PVCC we value God’s leading and direction. We believe that God leads us by ¹ the Holy Spirit, ² through revelation of scripture, ³ through our life circumstances, and ⁴ **From** Godly counsel. We believe God’s people grow from uncertainty to faith, from sorrow to joy as God’s will unfolds in our lives at His best pace for us.