

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

3 Nancy Rhodes                      6 Don Kilby  
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**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY**

## FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

5 Jim & Mary Vogel  
7 Tom & Barbara Fuge  
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**SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS: 18**

**SUNDAY AM WORSHIP: 48 SUNDAY PM WORSHIP: 15**

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: 10**

**OFFERING: \$2,103**

February 1, 2026

Welcome to the  
Verde Valley Church of Christ



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### Sermon

***Preaching Through Acts – The Template of the Lord's Church  
Part 33***

### Gathering Times

Sunday Bible class 9:30 AM    Sunday morning worship 10:30 AM

Sunday evening worship 6:00 PM

Wednesday Bible study 7:00 PM

## SERMON SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

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### ***Preaching Through Acts – The Temple of the Lord’s Church – Part 33***

-In 55 A.D., Paul began his third missionary journey and ended up in Ephesus of Asia Minor. Ephesus was regarded as the second greatest city of the world at this time, behind only Rome, according to the Greek historian Strabo. Paul spent three years there in total, speaking to the Jews first, converting all those who would be converted before teaching Gentiles and spending time as the teacher of a Bible school. Paul’s miracles convinced many Ephesians to become Christians who parted with magical paraphernalia that they had gathered in their previous lives worth over 50,000 silver pieces.

Chapter 19 Verses 18-20

2 Chron. 25:5-9 (No cost or spent resources should stop us from immediately changing our ways when we see that we are wrong according to Scripture. God has so much more to offer us than the value of the sinful things that we leave behind, so do not let the "sunk cost fallacy" of already spent resources keep you from doing the right thing immediately. It is also noteworthy that those who sold such things would lose all this business, as will all the others who cease to profit from people who become Christians and this will lead to their anger.)

Verses 21-22

Acts 1:21-26 (Paul is now going to travel again having completed his work in Ephesus. The fact that he proposed to go such places "in the Spirit" makes it quite possible that he is not making decisions for his own life anymore, but wholly listening to the direction of God's Holy Spirit and going to do the things that He has told him are coming. Christians today can seek God's guidance in their decisions as well, first by using God's Word for guidance in decision making, and (for matters of choice) by praying and leaving decisions up to God by drawing lots for His guidance. However, Christians must be sure to not put constraints on God's options, e.g., only asking between A & B if C could be "neither/other," and must be prepared to do whatever comes from the drawn lot.)

Verses 23-27

Matt. 12:34 & Psa. 115:2-8 & Judg. 6:30-31 & 1 Tim. 6:10 (Demetrius first started talking about what was actually on his mind and heart, the loss of profit, because what we speak is what overflows from the heart. He then starts trying to emotionally rile up the people by what Paul has said about idols, only proving how senseless it is to worship an idol that YOU had to carve! The Bible continually makes the point of how foolish this is to worship something that was made, which did not even make you, regardless of the form that "idol" takes. We will see the town clerk can make the same logical conclusion about Artemis defending herself if she is real that these men should have made, *because he was not being blinded by the love of money.*)

Verses 28-31

Matt. 10:16 & Rom. 12:18 & Ezek. 3:17-19 (When Paul wanted to make a poor decision and place himself in danger, the other Christians around him did what they should and kept their brother from making a poor choice. We HAVE to tell

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### SERVICES ARE STREAMED ON FACEBOOK LIVE

- ▶ **Classes and sermons are available on YouTube.**
- ▶ **There is a children’s Bible study during the sermon.**
- ▶ **Please join us for a potluck fellowship following morning worship!**
- ▶ **Our diaper pantry is in need of sizes 4, 5, and 6 – please help us restock, if you’re able. See Cassandra if you need more information.**
- ▶ **The next ladies’ devotional is scheduled for Saturday, February 21st at 10 a.m. in the fellowship hall – food will be provided – please plan to attend!**

### Sermon Scripture References - cont’d:

our brethren if they are sinning or making a poor choice to try and give them the best chance to avoid it, lest we become guilty of standing by and letting them destroy themselves. Once we do, it will be on them to listen or not, but we HAVE TO speak up and try to stop them, following additional steps from Matt. 18:15-17 if what they are doing is sinful.)

Verses 32-41

Dan. 3:15-18 (God resolved the situation peacefully since it is always in His hands to keep His chosen ones safe in accordance with what His will is for every situation. If God determines to keep His faithful safe in any situation, that will be what will happen, and if He does not, they still have the expectation to do what they should anyway.)

Chapter 20 Verses 1-5

1 Cor. 16:5-9 & 2 Cor. 1:15-16, 23-24 (This is likely when Paul re-visited Corinth, which was an earlier plan referred to in 1 Corinthians. This three month visit was apparently very sorrowful, and while Paul planned to come back to them, he wanted to make sure that they corrected all they needed to before he came back so he did not have to rebuke them again, but instead see them and be joyful because they were being obedient.)

## PRAY FOR

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***Greg & Wanda Mattson’s daughter, Jaime  
(recovering from a brain aneurysm)  
Gary Bates (recovering from back surgery)  
Adrion Osborne (macular degeneration treatments)***

***Shut-ins: Kathie & Eddie Rose, Wally Dickinson***