

## About Eagle Christian Church

As a Christian church we do not claim to be the only Christians, or the only church, but we seek simply to be known as Christians without a denominational label. We do not see ourselves as better than anyone else, but as a group of Christian people dedicated to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

We seek the unity of all people on the basis of confession and commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord. Our hope is to unite all Christians under the authority of Jesus Christ and pattern our lives after the Word of God.

Thank you for joining us for this informal time of worship and Bible study as we grow together in Christ.

## We Believe

- That Jesus is God's Son and our Savior.
- That the Bible is the inspired Word of God.
- In the physical death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
- That we are saved by grace through faith and there is nothing one can do to save himself.
- That God exists in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- In baptism by immersion for penitent believers.
- In the second coming of Christ.



## Reaching the Treasure Valley for Christ

We are one Church with four locations across the Treasure Valley

- Central Valley — *Jason Carr, Campus Minister*
- Surprise Valley — *Randy Bourn, Campus Minister*
- West Valley — *Josh Austin, Campus Minister*
- Kuna — *Justin Sturgeon, Campus Minister*

Visit [www.eaglechristianchurch.com](http://www.eaglechristianchurch.com) for campus locations

Mailing address for all campuses:

7490 Moon Valley Rd., Eagle ID 83616

P: 208-286-0879 | Office Hours: M–Th 9 am–5 pm | F 9 am–4 pm

## Preparing to Worship

- Please silence electronic devices as you enter the service.
- If you would like more information about Eagle Christian Church, please stop at the Connection Center. If you are here for the first time, we have a free gift for you, also available at the Connection Center.
- Please fill out the enclosed Connection Card to indicate your presence and communicate prayer needs or comments.
- Do you need to pray with someone? At the end of each service, members of our staff and prayer team are at the front of the stage to pray with you.



## How to Encounter a Lion— 1 Peter 5:8–11

October 22 & 23, 2022

### Celebration of Praise and Worship

Join us as we enter God's presence and celebrate His goodness.

### Communion

If you have chosen to follow Christ, please join us as we remember Christ's sacrifice for our sins.

### Celebration of Giving

This portion of the service is for our church family. Please place your offering and Connection Cards in the baskets at the entrance doors of the Worship Center. If you don't normally attend, please do not feel obligated to participate.

### Spiritual Commitment

We invite you to examine your life and make a personal commitment to the Lord. At the closing, staff, and members of our prayer team will be at the front of the stage to pray with you.

### Memory Verse: 1 Peter 5:8

*Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.* (ESV)



## How to Encounter a Lion

I Peter 5:8–11

1. Recognize \_\_\_\_\_  
I Peter 5:8

2. Resist \_\_\_\_\_  
I Peter 5:9

3. Reply \_\_\_\_\_  
I Peter 5:10

Application:



We are glad you have joined us today to worship. We want you to know that we have prayerfully planned this time together and that we do “church” on purpose.

Our mission is to **reach** people with the gospel message of Jesus Christ, **teach** people to become devoted disciples of His, **equip** people for acts of service, and **send** them into ministry.

As you join us today, we ask that you, also be intentional in your worship of God and purposefully focus on your relationship with Him.

God Bless you as we follow Him together. — Dr. Steven A. Crane

## Group Questions

**Opening:** Share a time when you’ve had an encounter with wildlife.

**Read 1 Peter 5:8–11**

1. What does it mean for believers to be sober-minded and watchful?  
Read 1 Peter 1:13-16 and 4:7-9. What do these verses add to your understanding of being sober-minded and watchful?  
Why do you think Peter stresses this idea throughout his letter?
2. What are some ways we can encourage one another to be sober-minded and watchful?
3. What does Peter tell us about the devil in verse 8?  
What does the name “adversary” tell you about the devil?
4. In what ways does the devil prowl like a lion?  
What are some ways that the devil has attacked you?
5. Peter gives a number of commands in light of the devil’s prowling around.  
In what ways can believers resist the devil? (See Ephesians 6:10-18; James 4:7)
6. What does it mean to be firm in your faith?  
How can strengthening your faith help you battle the attacks of the devil?
7. What can you do to encourage each other to stand firm and resist the devil’s attacks?
8. What is the greatest weapon that we have when the devil comes after us?  
How did Jesus use this weapon? (See Luke 4:1-13)
9. What does Peter tell his readers about the length of their suffering?  
How can this strengthen someone under attack by the devil?
10. What is your main takeaway from our discussion?

**Next Steps:**

- In times of testing, doubt, and discouragement, I will trust in God.
- I will be committed to the gathering of believers.
- I will make it a priority to be in God’s word and to listen to sound biblical teaching.
- I will pray for and encourage those in ministry, to new believers, and to those struggling with faith.