

## 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 — 100 S Short Road, Eagle
- Surprise Valley — 4601 S Surprise Way, Boise
- West Valley — 10595 Cherry Lane, Nampa
- Kuna — 2477 N Ten Mile Road, Kuna

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

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 FOR 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.

# JOY UNEXPECTED

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## WELCOME

TODAY'S SERVICE

### **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.



# WELCOME TO EAGLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH



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:** When have you had an opportunity to help someone? Was this voluntary, or did you feel obligated? Was your ability to help a blessing to them or to you, or both? Explain.

### Read Philippians 4:10–23

1. Have you ever received an unexpected gift? How did it make you feel? What was more important to you: the gift itself, or the thoughtfulness behind it? Explain.
2. What does it mean to be content? When have you experienced contentment in your life? Do you currently feel content? Why or why not?

### Read 2 Corinthians 1:8–10; 11:23–28; 12:8–10; 1 Timothy 6:6–8

3. How has Paul learned to be content? How does Paul’s view of contentment differ from our culture’s view?
4. What can we do in order to experience contentment in the midst of need? Is this an easy or difficult process? Why?
5. Verse 13 is a well-known verse. What does “all things” refer to in context? How have you experienced God’s strength in your life?
6. Read verse 17. Why was Paul excited about the Philippians’ gift? Read verses 18–19. How does God respond when we make offerings to Him by giving to others? How might that encourage you to give more freely? What is God’s promise to those who give to meet needs within His kingdom?
7. How has your relationship with Christ changed your attitudes toward people, possessions, and circumstances?
8. What is your main takeaway from our study of Philippians?

### MEMORY VERSE:

Philippians 4:13

“I can do all things through him who strengthens me.”

## Reasons to Rejoice Philippians 4:10–20

1. Because of their \_\_\_\_\_  
Philippians 4:10
2. Because Paul had learned \_\_\_\_\_  
Philippians 4:11–12
3. Because of Christ’s \_\_\_\_\_  
Philippians 4:13
4. Because of their \_\_\_\_\_  
Philippians 4:14–16
5. Because of their \_\_\_\_\_  
Philippians 4:18
6. Because of God’s \_\_\_\_\_  
Philippians 4:19–20

### Next Steps:

- I am thankful that I can trust God to meet my needs.
- I will look to Christ for daily strength.
- I want my life to be a fragrant and acceptable offering which please God.
- I want to develop a heart of giving.