

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 for campus information

Mailing address for all campuses:

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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

PHILIPPIANS



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: What is something that you would like to accomplish before you die?

Read Philippians 1:18-21

1. What do you think Paul meant when he wrote about his "deliverance"?
2. As you pray about difficult situations in your life or the life of others, what might "deliverance" look like?
Would deliverance always mean relief, or could it mean something different?
3. Why would Paul need "full courage" in his situation? When you face hardships, are you ever concerned about being ashamed and in need of courage?
4. How can Christ be exalted by Paul's life? How can Christ be exalted by Paul's death? Can Christ be exalted by your life or death? Explain.
5. Verse 21 gives us Paul's perspective on life and death. What is your perspective on life and death? What difference has your faith in Christ made in your attitude toward death?
6. Given your schedule and priorities this week, how would you honestly finish this phrase: "For me to live is _____"?

Read Philippians 1:21-26

7. What are Paul's considerations in choosing between life and death? Which does Paul prefer? Why does Paul feel it is more necessary for him to remain? What reasons would you give for wanting to remain here on earth versus departing to be with Christ?
8. What characteristic of Christ is Paul modeling as he comes to the realization that it is better for him to remain in the body? (Read Philippians 2:3-7) How often do you make decisions about your life based on the needs of others?

MEMORY VERSE:

Philippians 1:21 ESV

"For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."

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Philippians 1:18b-26

1. Paul's _____

2. Paul's _____

3. Paul's _____

Application:

Next Steps:

- My prayer is that Christ will be exalted in every area of my life.
- I realize that part of my purpose in life is to strengthen the body of Christ, the church.
- For me to live is _____.