

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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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: Share a story when you experienced being part of a group that was strongly united. (A sports team; a work group; friends or family, etc.) Describe what that was like.

Read Philippians 1:27–30

1. What conduct is "worthy of the gospel of Christ"? Read Philippians 3:17-21; Ephesians 4:1-3; 1 Thessalonians 2:10-12; Colossians 1:9-14. What does your conduct communicate to your fellow believers, and those outside of Christ, about the reality of Christ in you?
2. What are some of the difficulties involved in Christians being united? What are some of the issues that Bible-believing Christians can unite around?
3. Why is unity in the church important? What message does Christian unity send to our fellow believers? What message does Christian unity send to non-believers?
4. Why is suffering a benefit granted by God? How does this relate to Paul's joy in difficult circumstances? What does this tell you about the nature of the Christian life?

Read Philippians 2:1–4

5. What are the four blessings for living in unity? How have you experienced these blessings in your group or in church?
6. What is the way that the Philippians can complete Paul's joy? Can we complete joy in others in the same way?
7. What does it mean to consider someone "better than yourself"? How can you live out this principle in your life?

MEMORY VERSE:

Philippians 1:27 ESV

"Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, and not frightened in anything by your opponents."

Standing Together

Philippians 1:27–2:4

1. _____ Stand Together?

2. _____ Stand Together?

Application:

Next Steps:

- I am thankful for the encouragement, comfort, fellowship, tenderness and compassion that come from being united with Jesus.
- Rather than simply getting my way, I will strive to concern myself more with God's way.
- I will demonstrate humility personally, seek unity among Christians, and show concern for the interests of others.
- I will conduct myself in a manner worthy of the gospel.