

1. Thinking back on this week's worship service, was there anything that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2. What are the core elements of worship, and what could be considered secondary but meaningful? Examples might include singing, sermon, communion, candles and incense, etc.
3. What is the purpose of worship? See verses like Hebrews 12:28-29, Romans 12:1-2, Psalm 29:1-2, and Ephesians 1:3-6.
4. How important is the structure of a worship service (i.e. what is done, in what order, and how it is accomplished)? How does VBC achieve this well, and where could we grow?
5. What stood out to you while listening to the testimonies given, and why might it have affected you the way it did?
6. How can you prepare your body, mind, and heart for worship?
7. How many of the 'one another' commands in Scripture are accomplished through Sunday worship?
8. Why is song such an integral part of worship? Verses like Ps. 28:7, Ps. 150:1-6, Jas. 5:13, and Eph 5:19 might be helpful.

OUR MISSION

As we proclaim biblical truth, we cultivate relationships that are *intimate with Christ, active in the Church, & loving the community.*

VBC NEWSLETTER

Join our weekly e-newsletter! This email is sent each Friday and features thoughts from the pastors, up-to-date information on events and announcements, and community engagement opportunities. You will also find life group questions, a weekly Conversation Starter, Meal Trains, and links to the Sunday livestream. Visit spokanevbc.org/events and click the "Subscribe to the Newsletter" button.

THIS WEEK AT VBC

- Mo Ignite Young Adult Group**
6 pm | 130
- We Women's Bible Study**
with Marlene Zeis and Phyllis Morgan | 9:30 am | 130
- Women's Bible Study**
with Jen Morton | 6:30 pm | 130B
- Women's Bible Study**
with Julie Baker | 6:30 pm | 135
- Youth Group 6 - 12 grade**
6:30 pm | Auditorium
- Th Grief Support Group**
6:30 pm | 130
- Sa Blanket Makers**
9 am | 130
- Middle School Girls Brunch**
10 am | Fellowship Hall
- Su Prayer Team**
7:30 am | 130B



WELCOME TO
VALLEY BIBLE CHURCH

November 26, 2023

VISITING?

We're glad you're here! Be sure to stop by the Welcome Counter to pick up a Welcome Gift, which includes a booklet that explains what you need to know about VBC. Communion will be served during today's service. If you require a gluten-free cup for allergy reasons, please contact an usher.

SUNDAY CHILDCARE & VBC KIDS

The nursery is available during all three services for ages 0-3 years. For 9:30 and 11:00 am Kids Sunday School, children may be checked in before each service starts at a VBC Kids Check-In station, then attend the singing portion of the worship service with you before being dismissed to Sunday School. For the 9:30 service, you may drop your child off at the beginning of the service for an informal introduction activity.

8:00 am Service

Nursery | 0 - 3 Years Old | 122

9:30 am Service

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3 Yrs - 5th Grade | VBC Kids Wing

- may be dropped off at beginning of service

11:00 am Service

3 Yrs - 5th Grade | VBC Kids Wing

- dismissed after singing in main service

9:30 SUNDAY SCHOOL

All Sunday School classes are offered during the 9:30 service.

Significant Periods in the Life & Teachings of Jesus (a new class led by the Dr. Mike Powell) meets in Room 130A, and *The Role of God in the Lives of the Devoted, the Disobedient, and the Dastardly* (led by Rick King) meets in Room 130B. *Middle School* meets in the Room 150, *High School* meets in Room 151, and the *Courageous Conquerors* class meets in Room 152.

IMPORTANT DATES

Dec. 3 - Congregational Meeting

Dec. 6 - Helping Captives event

Dec. 8 - Lighting the Path

Dec. 9 - Men's Breakfast

Dec. 16 - Women's Christmas Party

Dec. 16 - Life Group session ends

Dec. 24, 9:30 & 11 am - Christmas Eve morning services

Dec. 24, 4:30 & 6 pm - Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCC FINAL COUNT

We collected 727 boxes and \$6,750 in donations for Operation Christmas Child! Thank you to everyone who volunteered, contributed, and packed a box for a child in need this Christmas.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Thank you to everyone who volunteered for and donated to the Soup & Service event! We packed 38 baskets to distribute to the community.

ADVENT DECOR HELP NEEDED

Volunteers are still needed to set up decorations for Advent. If you are available to come, even for a couple of hours, email amanda@spokanevbc.org. Set-up will be Saturday, Dec. 2, from 11 am until done. Lunch, snacks, and drinks will be provided.

BUILDING UPDATE

As we consider the future of VBC, we have been preparing plans for a possible building expansion. Please join us as we share those plans with the congregation next Sunday, Dec. 3, at 6 pm!

VBC KIDS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need a Preschool or PreK-K Teacher for the 9:30 service 2x month. We also need substitute assistants and teachers for 9:30 & 11:00 Kids Sunday School. Please contact Jennifer Dokken at jennifer@spokanevbc.org, (509) 869-6410, or indicate your interest on the back of your Connection Card.

RIDES FOR SENIORS - DRIVERS NEEDED

We need more volunteer drivers for the Rides for Seniors program! This free driving service provides transportation for seniors to doctor appointments or other appointments when they are unable to take themselves. Email vbcridesforseniors@gmail.com if you are interested in helping.

HELPING CAPTIVES EVENT

Caleb Altmeyer of Helping Captives (formerly HRC Ministries) is slated to speak to the youth group about internet safety and grooming awareness on Wednesday, Dec. 6, at 6:30 pm. Parents of students and the rest of the congregation are highly encouraged to attend this important presentation. Nursery will be available for ages 0-3 years.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next breakfast for men high school age and older is Saturday, Dec. 9, at 7 am.

WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Women's Christmas Party is planned for Saturday, Dec. 16, at 9 am. Teresa Gay will be our speaker. Please RSVP at spokanevbc.org/events.

LIGHTING THE PATH

Join us on Friday, Dec. 8, beginning at 5:30 pm in the VBC parking lot for our annual outdoor family Lighting the Path event!

There will be Christmas carols, a countdown to lighting the path, food, a warm fire, hot chocolate, and activities! Please remember to dress warmly.

We are also looking to borrow some patio heaters for the event. Contact Darrell Lambert at (509) 993-8451 for more information.

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GIVING REPORT*

General: November \$50,908, YTD \$927,285
Building Fund: Given \$48,527 *Not complete