



THE
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GIVING STATEMENTS 2026

Giving statements for 2026 were emailed or mailed last week. If you have any questions or didn't receive your statement, please email giving@spokanevbc.org or call the church office at (509) 928-5161.

THE PURSUIT WINTER FELLOWSHIP

The Pursuit Winter Fellowship for high school students is planned for February 13-16 at Pend Orielle Bible Camp. Sign up before Feb. 4 at spokanevbc.org/events.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

Two women's Bible studies begin Feb. 25: "True Community: The Biblical Practice of Koinonia" (Wednesday mornings) and

"Fundamentals of the Faith: Lessons to Grow in the Grace and Knowledge of Jesus Christ" (Wednesday evenings). "Stand Firm: Putting on the Full Armor of God" (Wednesday evenings) begins March 4. Go to spokanevbc.org/women/womens-bible-study for more information and to register. In-person sign-ups will be available next Sunday. Full descriptions of each Bible study are available at the Welcome Counter.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Save the date for our annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, March 22, at **4:30 pm**. If you are interested in being baptized or dedicating your baby during this time, call the church office at (509) 928-5161.

FRIDAY MOM'S GROUP

An informal moms' group meets every Friday from 10:30 to 11:30 am in the Children's Wing! For more information, text or call Abby Gromlich at (484) 925-9736.

RIDES FOR SENIORS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Rides for Seniors program is looking for more volunteers to provide rides to Sunday morning services for those who are unable to drive themselves. If you would like to serve our older saints in this way, email Jack Greif at vbcridesforseniors@gmail.com.

MEN'S RETREAT 2026

Save the date for Men's Retreat, planned for April 17-19 at Ross Point in Post Falls.

CHURCH IN THE PARK

Church in the Park is planned for Sunday, June 14, at 10 am at Valley Mission Park.

FAMILY CAMP 2026

Family Camp is planned for June 25-28 at Camp Na-Bor-Lee. For more information, email Richard Knowlton at misterknowlton@gmail.com.

WANTED: ART INSPIRED BY THE SERMON SERIES

We encourage submissions of art (any medium), poetry, and music lyrics inspired by future sermons and Bible passages. All ages are invited to participate! Email completed works to amanda@spokanevbc.org, and they will be featured in future bulletins and on VBC's social media pages.

THIS WEEK

Su Prayer Team

8:30 am | 152

Sunday School classes

9 and 10:45 am |
various classrooms

Mo Ignite Young Adult Ministry

6:30 pm | ages 18-28 | 130

We Youth Group

6:30 pm | Auditorium

Fr Mom's Group

10:30 am | Children's Wing

Sa Blanket Makers

9 am | 130

SUNDAY MORNING AT

VALLEY BIBLE CHURCH

February 1, 2026

Communion and Hearing Devices: Communion cups (including gluten-free) for those who profess faith in Jesus Christ are available at the entrances to the auditorium next to the bulletins. If you need a hearing assistance device during the service, please ask an usher.

Sunday School: Adult classes meet in Room 130. At 9 am, Mike Powell teaches "The Personal Side of God" and Allan Snodgrass teaches "The Parables of Christ." At 10:45 am, Rick King teaches "Zechariah: Visions and Oracles." At 9 am, Middle School and High School meet in Rooms 151 and 150. At 9 am, Courageous Conquerors, a class for differently-abled students in 6th-12th grade, meets in Room 124. To register your student for this class, email stephanie@spokanevbc.org.

Giving: Collection boxes are located at the main entrances to the auditorium and at the Welcome Counter. Give online at valleybible.churchcenter.com/giving.

NURSERY & VBC KIDS

9 am Service

Nursery | 0 - 3 Years Old | 122

3 Yrs - 5th Grade | VBC Kids Wing

10:45 am Service

Nursery | 0 - 3 Years Old | 122

3 Yrs - 5th Grade | VBC Kids Wing

Note: A room for mothers who need extra privacy to nurse their babies is in the back of the auditorium. If you need to change your baby, please use the changing tables in the North Hallway restrooms.

VISITING?

Please pick up a Connection Card at the auditorium entrances, at the Welcome Counter, or scan the QR code below to share a little about yourself! Visit the Welcome Counter to receive a gift with more information about VBC.



ONLINE RESOURCES

Access today's sermon (video and audio), music playlist, Life Group questions, and bulletin at spokanevbc.org/sermons.



IMPORTANT DATES

- Feb. 13-16 - Winter Fellowship
- Feb. 25 - Women's Bible studies begin
- Feb. 27-28 - Quilt Till You Wilt
- March 22 - Congregational Meeting
- April 17-19 - Men's Retreat
- June 14 - Church in the Park
- June 25-28 - Family Camp
- June 30-July 2 - Sewing Camp
- July 20-24 - VBS

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GIVING REPORT

General: January \$102,522; YTD: \$102,522;
Building Fund: \$1,103,426



LIFE GROUP

STUDY QUESTIONS

Week of Feb. 1, 2026

1. Thinking back on this week's message, was there anything that encouraged, challenged, or confused you? Anything you disagreed with or had never heard before?
2. As we begin our study of 1 John this week, take time to read through the entire book, ideally in 1 or 2 sittings. It should take you 20-30 minutes start to finish. As you read, take note of all the places John mentions light, love (two of John's favorite themes), and eternal life (a major theme of this book!)
3. In verse 1, John uses an interesting mix of metaphor and literal language to introduce his subject. What can we learn from John's reference to the physical senses (sight, hearing, touch)?
4. What is the "word of life" referenced in verse 1? Where else has John used language like this (perhaps at the beginning of another of his books)?
5. In verse 3, John tells his audience that he is proclaiming the word of life to them so that they "may have fellowship with us." What kind of fellowship is he referring to? And why does he choose fellowship as his goal, rather than, say, righteousness or repentance?
6. We should not walk away from a study of any passage of Scripture without it impacting our lives in some way. What is one way your thinking and/or actions have changed as a result of studying this passage?

THE LIFE ETERNAL

Chris Martin | February 1, 2026 | 1 John 1:1-4

Live in the _____ of the Life Eternal (1-2)

Live in the _____ of the Life Eternal (3-4)



FOR KIDS

What is the main passage? 

Book:

Chapter:

Verse(s):

My favorite song today? 

Draw something that you heard today... 



Who is speaking?

Words you heard but don't know...

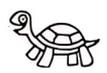


What are you learning about God from this message? 

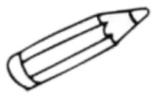
AFTER THE SERVICE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING. 

The most important thing I learned today was...

I can use this in my life by...



EXTRA NOTES



1 JOHN: WRITTEN FOR A REASON

The short letter of 1 John says a great deal in a short amount of space. John provides a wide range of encouragement, truth, and exhortation. He also provides a lot of clarity about his purpose for writing. In fact, John tells us no less than thirteen times the purpose for his writing.

As we come to the beginning of our study in this grandfatherly letter, consider reading 1 John in one sitting (it takes about 20 minutes!). Note all the times John draws our attention to the purpose of his letter and how it develops across these verses.

1 John 1:4

1 John 2:1

1 John 2:7

1 John 2:8

1 John 2:12-14

1 John 2:21

1 John 2:26

1 John 5:13

You can tell from the list above that there is a conspicuous gap from chapters 3 and 4. In these chapters, John pivots to an extended discussion of love. Of the 18 uses of the word "love" in 1 John, fifteen of them are in chapters 3 and 4: 1 John 3:1,16,17; 4:8,9,10,12, 16,17,18.

Where to find

Fellowship, connect, and stay informed with these resources.

Online Connection Card

We'd like to get to know you! Please fill out an online Connection Card to share a little about yourself, request more information about VBC, update information, and/or submit a praise or prayer request.

rebrand.ly/VBCconnect

Church Events

Check out and register for upcoming events at VBC.
spokanevbc.org/events

Weekly Newsletter

Sign up for our weekly newsletter, which includes up-to-date information on church events, community engagement opportunities, and Meal Trains.

rebrand.ly/VBCnewsletter

Giving

Set up one-time or automatic giving online.

<https://valleybible.churchcenter.com/giving>

Online Resources

Listen to or watch past sermons, download Life Group questions, and get this week's music playlist.

spokanevbc.org/sermons



The Mission of VBC: As we proclaim biblical truth, we cultivate relationships that are intimate with Christ, active in the Church, & loving the community.

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