MISSION

Bow Valley Christian Church is on a mission to help people find and follow Jesus. To accomplish our mission, we help each other take our **next steps** in following Jesus in these four ways:

GROWING in relationship with Jesus. We are all on a journey to learn to love God and find our identity fully in Christ. Our Sunday gatherings and individual spiritual disciplines enable us to grow in an intimate and life-giving relationship with God.

2 BELONGING in Jesus' Family. Jesus offers us a new life—a connected life. Everybody needs a place to belong. Our small groups and ministry teams are designed as places where we can find belonging and learn to love others.

3 INVESTING in Jesus' Kingdom. We unleash Jesus' love by being generous with our time, talents and finances. Service and generosity to others is how we serve and give to God.

4 SHINING Jesus' presence. The greatest act of love we can show is to be the presence of Jesus to others, and to present the story of Jesus to others. We do this individually with our lifestyle and our words. We do this collectively through our local and global outreach initiatives.

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DATE ______
Please keep as a reminder.



CORE BELIEFS

GOD

• We believe in one God, creator of all things, infinitely perfect and eternally existing as a trinity of three persons — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (John 1:1–5; John 14:9–11; 16–20).

JESUS CHRIST

- We believe in Jesus Christ, who is our one and only Saviour.
- Who was born both fully human and fully divine, conceived of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and lived a sinless life.
- Who died and was buried, and rose again bodily from the dead three days after he was crucified.
- Who ascended into Heaven and now sits at the right hand of the Father.
- Who will return to earth to judge both the living and the dead.

HOLY SPIRIT

- We believe in the Holy Spirit, who is a personal and active part of the triune God.
- We believe he speaks through Scripture, that he convicts the world of sin and testifies about Jesus, that he blesses the church with gifts, and that he indwells the hearts of Christians, while transforming all believers toward holiness.

BIBLE

- We believe in the 66 books of the Bible God's Holy Word. We believe God inspired the original writings of the Scripture, and therefore the Bible is completely trustworthy in all its parts.
- We accept the Bible as the uniquely supreme, reliable, and final authority on all matters of Christian faith and practice.

SALVATION

- We believe that all people willfully sin against God and are consequently lost and without hope apart from Jesus Christ.
- We believe that salvation cannot be earned, but is given to us only through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ and by God's grace (Ephesians 2:8–10).
- We believe we must respond to God by:
 - Admitting our need for God's grace;
 - Turning away from sin (repenting);
 - Committing ourselves to the path of being a Christfollower (disciple) by trusting Jesus as Saviour and Lord;
 - And being baptized (immersed) into Christ.
- We believe that salvation means the saving of the whole person (including forgiveness of sins, reconciliation, future hope in Paradise, the immediate membership into the Kingdom of God and ongoing transformation into the likeness of Jesus Christ). Essentially, he is about making things right in the world.

CHURCH

- We believe there is one church universal, comprised of all those who have been added by God as his saved children. The universal church finds expression in local bodies of Christians that regularly meet for mutual encouragement and worship.
- We believe in the church's mission: making disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey all of Jesus' commands.
- We believe the church is a present reality of the Kingdom of God and a demonstration of what God is doing here on earth.



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