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Happy Easter -- He is risen! We are glad that you chose to join our celebration service today. Please silence all electronic devices during worship service.

Women's Fellowship meets this Tuesday, April 11 at 1:00 p.m. During the month of April they are collecting donations for the *Kinderhook Blessing Box*. There is a list of current needs in the lobby.

Celebration of Life for Bill Bryan is scheduled for Friday, April 14 from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the Glendarin Hills Golf Club in Angola. There are copies of the complete obituary in the lobby.

Adult Ed Classes -- Starting next Sunday, April 16, we will divide the Adult Ed hour into three classes: *Grief Share*, *Biblical Financial Principles* and *Membership Orientation*. Plan now to participate in one of these groups. Check the enclosed flier for information on each class.

Forgotten Man Ministry fundraising banquet -- April 18. Sign up in the lobby or see Frank Cabrera with questions.

For the parents of our little ones: There is a room behind the sanctuary for parents of restless toddlers. The **nursery** (up the stairs, first door on the left) is also open and the service is available to be viewed and listened to there. Kids through fifth grade will be dismissed for **Children's Church** during worship if they wish to participate.

Ways to Give: Offering plates are in the lobby. Donations can be made online by going to bethelgilead.org (Donate tab), or by scanning the QR code to the left and using PayPal. You can authorize a monthly debit from your bank account by completing a form (on the information desk in the lobby or contact the office).



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Call to Worship: He Lives
Announcements and Opening Prayer

Opening Worship: Christ Arose
At the Cross
Nothing But the Blood
How Great is Our God/How Great Thou Art chorus

The Lord's Prayer: Donna Green

No Doubt!

([John 20:24-29](#))

Introduction: "Doubting Thomas"

I. Bible Doubters Anonymous

- *Adam and Eve
- *Abraham
- *Moses
- *King David
- *Elijah
- *John the Baptist
- *Jesus' own disciples

II. The Human Predicament: Doubt in the Face of Uncertainty

- *Join the club!
- *Doubt --discourages, distracts + detours...and sometimes saves!
- *The mind is a God-given instrument for discerning what's right, true and good, and responding accordingly ([Proverbs 14:8](#))
- *A Primary Temptation = to doubt God! ([2 Corinthians 11:3](#))

III. Managing Your Mindset

Prepare your mind for action ([1 Peter 1:13](#))
Set your minds on things above ([Colossians 3:2](#))
Be transformed by the renewing of your mind ([Romans 12:2](#))
If you are wise your wisdom will reward you ([Proverbs 9:12](#))
"Whatever you feed grows. Feed your faith -- starve your doubts"

"Easter Breakfast"

- * Facts of Jesus' Resurrection
- * Promises of God for Eternal Life
- * The Blessings of Believing ([John 20:29](#))

Application

- Stop doubting and believe! ([John 20:27](#))
1. Affirm your human predicament
 2. Adopt a "posture of faith"
 3. Adjust to challenging circumstances

Special Music: Melissa Houtz
Closing Song: The Blessing

Our Mission

"WE HONOR GOD THROUGH REGULARLY ASSEMBLING TOGETHER TO WORSHIP HIM AS LORD, STUDY AND OBEY HIS WORD, AND ATTEND TO THE NEEDS OF HIS PEOPLE. WHEN WE LEAVE, WE GO OUT COMMISSIONED AS CHRIST'S REPRESENTATIVES TO A NEEDY WORLD"

Prayer Concerns

Recent additions

Jonas Rigg -- recovering from heart attack
Phyllis Minard -- kidney stones
The family of Bill Bryan
Billman family -- special needs daughter, baby Kay
The family of Al Miller
Donna Green -- recovering from hip surgery
Steve Crooks -- recovering from hip surgery
de Araujo family -- special needs grandson, Luke
Kim Paul -- stage 4 cancer

Continue to Remember Those in Need

Lynn Mayer -- dealing with double vision, balance issues
Dawn Lane -- breast cancer
Don Rubley -- bladder cancer
The Carpenter Family
Dale Davis -- dialysis and gall bladder issues
Lisa Franks -- pain management

Remember Our Homebound/Shut In Members

Betty Carpenter -- Laurels
Norita Skinner -- Maple Lawn
Neil Hannah -- At home on hospice

Pray for our nation and the world during these uncertain days