

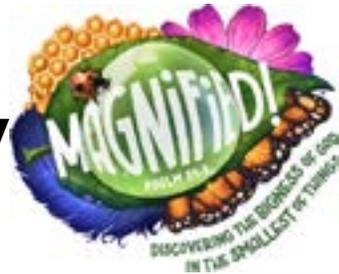
UPCOMING



# VBS is HERE! Monday - Friday



Scan here for  
Volunteer/Child Registration  
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lists (Amazon & local)  
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July 6th

Church-wide Picnic

Immediately after Morning Service

Please bring a dessert or chips

Hamburgers, Hotdogs and Drinks provided



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# LIFE

There are three kinds of arguments for belief in God. Not three arguments, but three types—rational, emotional, and practical. Jesus provides all three in Luke 24, showing that his death and resurrection is scripturally coherent and materialistically probable (the rational), that some things are too good not to be true (the emotional), and that we can live for him in the present world (the practical). Are these reasons adequate?

Firstly, believing in God for rational reasons makes sense only if rationality itself is viable, if we are truly homo sapiens (“sapien” means wise, thinking), philosophers for whom deductions are decisive. However, we all know people who use reason to justify things that are intuitively rejectionable through “gaslighting.” Therefore, we may ask whether faith is an augment to reality (like a Pokemon-GO overlay) rather than reality itself. But, if we can’t trust reason, is it God we lose faith in, or humanity?

Secondly, we may wonder if it is fair to believe in God for emotional reasons, especially when people find satisfaction in worldviews other than Christianity. In big words, we might ask whether it is appropriate for piety and epistemology to hold hands. Yet, this is a doubt worth doubting, for who seriously suggests that finding solace in something is a reason not to believe it? Should we postpone marriage because we are afraid it might make us happy? No, a closed heart is not the same as clear thinking. As with rationality, when we deny importance to subjectivity, it is ourselves, not God, who gets lost.

Thirdly, we may believe in God for practical reasons. “Surely part of testing a worldview is looking at its livability,” I read recently. For many people my age, “living Christian” is the only thread connecting them to faith—like a bumblebee flying, Christianity doesn’t necessarily make sense, it just works. Like Lewis said, “I believe in Christianity like I believe in the sun, not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else.”

The unique thing about Christianity is not that there are rational, emotional, and practical reasons for believing it, but that it uniquely combines these three types of argument. As I often tell my wife, it just isn’t fair how much better Christianity is at answering questions than its alternatives in the marketplace of ideas. It may be enough to make you believe it.

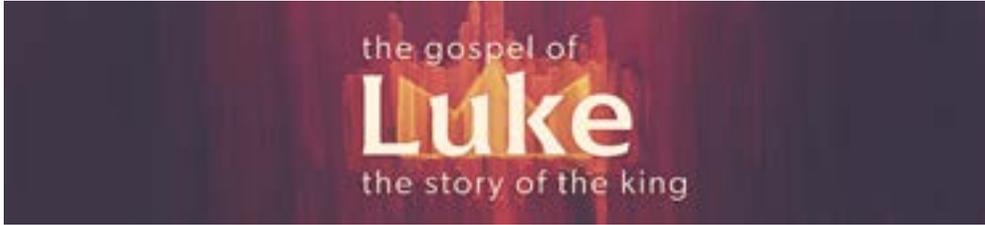
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# TODAY



SanctuaryWiFi Password: ehbc3100  
 EVERYONE: Please remember to mute  
 your cell phones during service. Thanks!

# THIS WEEK



Senior Pastor Bill Connors  
 24: "Comparative Greatness"  
 Luke 9: 28-50



YouVersion Notes

## Offering June 15, 2025

	This Week	Year-To-Date
Budget Needs:	\$20,829.00	\$499,896.00
Budget Receipts:	\$32,510.58	\$486,945.47

**ENDEAVOR Campaign Received to Date: \$1,088,656.85**

## Sunday, June 22, 2025

- 9:00 AM · Bible Study for all ages
- 10:30 AM · Family Worship/Kid's Worship Infants - 5th grade
- 12:00 PM · VBS Prayer Walk (Entire Building)
- 1:00 PM · VBS Set up and Decoration (Entire Building)
- 5:00 PM · Student Ministry Bible Study (Trevor's House)

## Monday, June 23, 2025

- 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM · Vacation Bible School (Entire Building!!)

## Tuesday, June 24, 2025

- 7:30 AM · Curtis Smith's Bible Study  
(Zoom Meeting ID:459 651 0196 Pass code: 1000)
- 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM · Vacation Bible School (Entire Building!!)
- 1:00 PM · Staff Meeting (Bill's Office)

## Wednesday, June 25, 2025

- 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM · Vacation Bible School (Entire Building!!)
- 6:30 PM · Women's Bible Study - *Anyway* by Julie Morris (Parlor)
- 6:30 PM · Youth Prime Time (Youth Rm)

## Thursday, June 26, 2025

- 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM · Vacation Bible School (Entire Building!!)

## Friday, June 27, 2025

- 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM · Vacation Bible School (Entire Building!!)
- 5:30 PM · VBS Family Night (Sanc., Courtyard, FLC)

## Saturday, June 28, 2025

- 1:00 PM · Set up for Graduation Party

## Sunday, June 29, 2025

- 2:00 PM · ACBC Exam Training (Rm. 102)
- 5:30 PM · Graduation Party for Dr. Rich Willard and Dr. Trevor Clark (FLC)

MH = Miller Hall FLC = Family Life Center/Gym Sanc. = Sanctuary CR = Choir Rm.  
 CH = Clubhouse CY = Courtyard CC= CrossCourts