



Welcome

4/5/2026

John 3:16

We, the families of the Village Bible Church do lovingly welcome you to this fellowship with us in the blessings of the Gospel.

Announcements

Call to Worship

Two beloved hymns, When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (#293) and Christ Arose (#325), arranged together to celebrate the Easter story. I hope you can hear every moment leading up to the Resurrection. Listen for the sound of Jesus carrying the cross to Calvary, His last moments on the cross, the earthquake and curtain being torn in two, His body being laid in the tomb, and the joy of Sunday morning. *Hannah Balman*

Hymn #323 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Greeting

Offertory: Ensemble – Crown Him with Many Crowns

Girls Ensemble – Across the Lands

Lord's Supper

Hymn #327 He Lives

Adult Choir – What Manner of Man Is This (Ben Everson)

Message

Hymn #325 Christ Arose with Children's Choir

As we leave this place, we are entering the Mission Field—

May the Lord find us Faithful!

Missionary of the Month

Everson Family Ministries

Ben and Amanda Everson have traveled throughout the entire contiguous United States as well as internationally over the last two decades, bringing their experience in encouraging God's people through the Word and music to local churches for REFRESH MEETINGS, family camps, and marriage retreats.

If you would like to give a special gift to this ministry this month, feel free to put it in the offering plate marked accordingly.

This Week:

**TONIGHT
No Service**

WEDNESDAY 7PM
Bible Study/Kids Club

Coming Up: 12th-15th

Ben Everson

12th - Morning Services
6:00 pm - Church family dinner
13th - 7:00 pm Service
14th - 7:00 pm Service
15th **No Regular Service**
7:00 pm Church music Workshop

17th - Wichita Youth Rally
18th - Men's Breakfast
21st - Ladies Fellowship

FAMILY INFORMATION

Our goal is to promote families worshiping together. We believe children learn much from sharing the worship experience with adults. Please be considerate of others and keep children in their seats and as quiet as possible. Pews in the rear of the Sanctuary are reserved for families with small children.

Cry room - Back of Sanctuary
Nursery 6 mo. - 3 yrs.

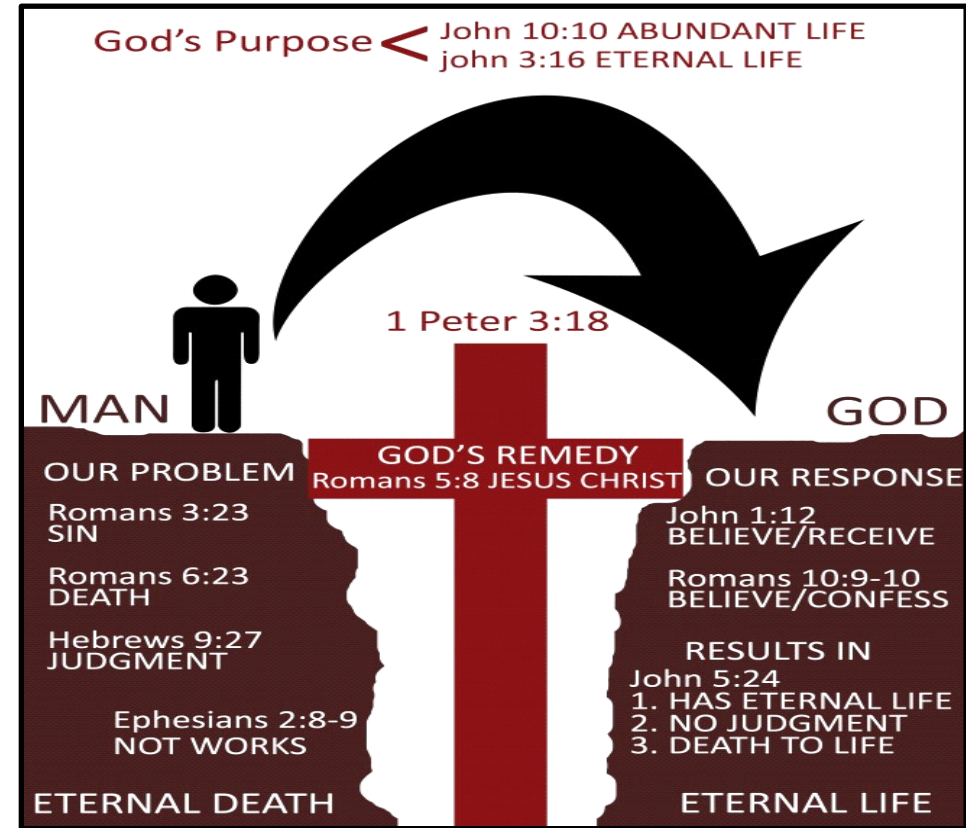
Worship - Kandi/Hannah P.

April 5, 2026

Pastor JJ Sexton

Village Bible Church

Our Mission is to Preach the Word and to Love the People
"that we may present every man complete in Christ Jesus"



Sunday Morning Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship Service	10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Prayer Service	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
Services available for all ages	

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*"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son,
that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."*

John 3:16

Four Reactions to the Resurrection from Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John

The Gospels portray a wide range of human responses to Christ's resurrection—shock, doubt, fear, confusion, and even stubbornness—to encourage and persuade readers that He is truly risen.

Matthew's account confronts the denial of the resurrection - **Matthew 28:1–20**

- Angels showed the empty tomb - v. 1–8
 - The women saw and touched the risen Lord - v. 9–10
 - The chief priests unwittingly confirmed that the tomb was empty - v. 11–15
 - Jesus kept His prophetic promise to gather the disciples in Galilee - v. 16–20
- Matthew 26:31–32 Then Jesus said to them, "All of you will be made to stumble because of Me this night, for it is written: 'I WILL STRIKE THE SHEPHERD, AND THE SHEEP OF THE FLOCK WILL BE SCATTERED.' But after I have been raised, I will go before you to Galilee."**

Mark's account exposes the fear and unbelief of the resurrection **Mark 16:1–20**

- The women left the tomb afraid - v. 8
- The disciples did not believe Mary's report - v. 9–11
- The disciples did not believe the two that walked with Jesus - v. 12–13
- Jesus rebuked the disciples' unbelief - v. 14–15

Luke's account challenges the difficulty of accepting the resurrection - **Luke 24:1–43**

- The angels questioned their perplexity - v. 1–8
- Jesus filled in their lack of understanding - v. 13–32
- Jesus corrected their misunderstanding - v. 36–43
- Three difficulties are presented (v. 4, 16, 37) with each being overcome through the power of the scripture (v. 6–8, 32, 44–45).

John's account encourages faith in the resurrection - **John 20:1–31**

- Peter and John saw the empty tomb - v. 1–10
- Jesus showed Himself to Mary and she clung to Him - v. 11–18
- The disciples, not including Thomas, were glad to see Jesus - v. 19–23
- Thomas believed when he saw Jesus - v. 24–31

The good news is that Jesus died for our sins and He rose again for our salvation!

1 Corinthians 15:3–4 For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures,

How have you responded to the good news of Christ's death, burial, and resurrection?