

May 3, 2026



CONVERSATIONS

Thomas

— JOHN 20:19-29 —

“Conversations: Thomas”
John 20:19-29

Putting the label “_____” on the disciple Thomas has caused many people to think it’s wrong to have doubts.

Thomas isn’t a skeptic on the outside looking in, he’s a committed follower who suddenly _____ know what to do with what he’s seen.

If you sit in _____ long enough, it can turn into disillusionment.

Real and honest doubt isn’t passive or _____. It leans in, asks questions, and _____ after truth.

Jesus doesn’t push Thomas away; he pulls him _____.

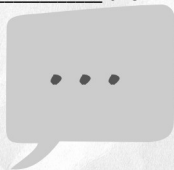
You don’t have to be at your best to come to Jesus, you just have to _____

Most of us don’t live at the _____ of belief or unbelief. We live somewhere in the middle.

“The opposite of faith is not doubt, but _____. Certainty is missing the point entirely. Faith includes noticing the mess, the emptiness and discomfort, and letting it be there until some light returns.”
—Anne Lamott, *Plan B: Further Thoughts on Faith*

Sometimes faith isn’t formed in the moment of clarity, but in the _____ of doubt.

It’s _____ to have questions. It’s _____ to wrestle with doubt, but don’t let them keep you at a distance. _____ them with you and come close to Jesus.



JUNE 14-17

for kids
4yr - 6th gr.

Sun-Wed
6-8:30p



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**Register your kid(s)
6/or Volunteer today**

*6th
grade*
GRADUATION
CELEBRATION

May 17 | 10A
Discovery Zone

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Pics to church office
by May 10th!

Call Jeramy Hunter
with questions



**COMBINED
SERVICE**
MAY 24 • 10:30am



Donuts, Milk, Juice, & Coffee at 10 am!!

SUNDAY, May 3

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
Worship
10:30 a.m. Sunday School
Worship
6:00 p.m. Sunday Night Youth End of Year Party (7th-12th)

MONDAY, May 4

- 6:15 p.m. Praise Ringers Rehearsal

TUESDAY, May 5

- 8:30 a.m. Rev Strength
6:30 p.m. VBS Band Practice

WEDNESDAY, May 6

- 6:30 p.m. Anderson Christian Martial Arts (8 yrs & up)
7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

THURSDAY, May 7

- 8:30 a.m. Rev Strength
10:00 a.m. LOAH Donuts & Devotion
5:00 p.m. Highland Harvest

FRIDAY, May 8

- 9:00 a.m. Grace Marriage
7:00 p.m. Youth Ultimate Frisbee @ the Davis'

SATURDAY, May 9

- 9:00 a.m. Grace Marriage
4:30-7 p.m. Spaghetti Dinner

SUNDAY, May 10 - Mother's Day / Family Dedication

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
Worship
10:30 a.m. Sunday School
Worship
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VBS Volunteer Registration: Vacation Bible School is coming, and we need YOU! Join us **June 14-17** from 6-8:30 p.m. Come be part of a week that truly changes lives. Sign up online at bccanderson.org/vbs or call the church office (765-643-5713) before **June 1**. We look forward to serving alongside you!

VBS Registration For Kids is now open for kids 4 yrs old (by August 1 and toilet trained) through entering 6th grade in the fall. The dates are **June 14-17** from 6-8:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School is about creating an intentional time and space for kids to hear the gospel, learn scripture, and tell their friends about Jesus. Register at bccanderson.org/vbs.

Volunteers Needed For VBS Meals: If you would like to help feed our volunteers during VBS, please sign up today! You can sign up online at bccanderson.org/vbsmeals.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **LOAH Donuts & Devotion** - *Loved Ones at Home* next meeting will be this Thursday, **May 7**, at 10:00 a.m. in the Friendship Room. If our shut-in ministry has been on your heart, we encourage you to join us for more information.
- **Spaghetti Dinner** will be this Saturday, **May 9**, from 4:30-7 p.m. in the Church Gymnasium. Come enjoy a great meal while supporting our youth missions trip and their summer camps! You may purchase tickets from our youth, the church office, or at the Welcome Center. They are \$7 in advance, or \$10 at the door. Ages 5 and under are free.
- **Family/Baby Dedication** will take place next Sunday, **May 10**, during both morning services. This special moment is an opportunity for parents/grandparents to commit to guiding their children to know and follow Jesus. To participate or learn more, please contact the church office at 765-643-5713.
- **Young At Heart** will be going to The Minnetrista Museum & Gardens and the Bob Ross Experience on Wednesday, **May 13**. Cost is \$8. We'll leave the church at 9 a.m., enjoy a relaxing day out, and share a picnic lunch together. Sign up in the Atrium or contact Debbie Stefanich to confirm your spot!
- **6th Grade Graduation** will be Sunday, **May 17**, at 10 a.m. in the Discovery Zone. Parents need to register and have pictures to Rachel by **May 14**. Register at bccanderson.org/resolve.
- **High School & College Graduation Celebration** will be Sunday, **May 17**, during both morning services. If you are a High School or College graduate and would like to participate in this celebration, please contact Jeramy Hunter at the church office. Info & pictures need to be turned in by **May 10**. Also, if you would like Jeramy to share info about your open house, please let him know.
- **Mahoning Valley Summer Camp** signups are happening now for kids entering Kindergarten to graduating seniors. Early bird pricing ends **May 17**. Register at MahoningValley.org. Contact the church office for a code for 50% off tuition for regular attending BCC kids & students.

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Our Congratulations To:
Evan & Dani Carter on the birth of their baby girl, Magnolia May Carter, on 4/28. Big brothers are Jax & Matthew Carter.



If you are new to Bethany, have a prayer request to share, recently changed contact information, have questions about Jesus, volunteering, or more—***we want to connect with you!*** Simply open your smart phone's camera app and point it here or navigate to www.bccanderson.org/connect