

# THE PATHWAY

### Our Vision

Becoming a beacon of faith drawing people to Jesus

### Our Mission

We will serve Jesus by touching people's lives and teaching them to have Kingdom-minded hearts.

### Our Values

- \* **Welcoming:** We meet you at the door and receive you as one of our family.
- \* **Family:** We encourage families of all ages and stages, and those in need of families, to be a part of our church family.
- \* **Christ-centered:** We focus our worship, our teachings, and our lifestyle choices on Jesus.
- \* **Scripture:** We encourage everyone to have an understanding of The Bible as God's inspired communication to all.
- \* **Prayerful:** We communicate to God in prayer to strengthen our relationship with Him.
- \* **Supportive:** We support and uplift each other through our prayers, fellowship, and service to one another.
- \* **Evangelism:** We share the message of salvation both locally and globally.

## A WALK DOWN THE PATH

### On: Things are going heat up in July!

Summer has arrived! As we all know, we received a summer welcome on the opening days of summer. June 22 recorded 103 degrees. While we all know high temperatures are nothing unusual for Kansas summers, we'd also like those temperatures to wait for late July or August. Well, in just a few days, July will arrive, and along with it high temperatures and low rainfall are to be expected. We have expectations of things heating up at Rolling Hills, as well.

### The 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY EXPERIENCE

With the first weekend of July comes the 4<sup>th</sup> of July...Independence Day. On Monday, July 4, Rolling Hills will host what has become an annual celebration with a picnic and fireworks display. The picnic will begin around 6:45 p.m. The meat and drinks will be provided. All of us eaters are asked to bring side dishes and desserts (OR deserts and desserts!). Remember to bring lawn chairs or sports chairs for your comfort for both the picnic and the fireworks. Bring your family, friends, other guests with you. It's a relaxing and enjoyable time to eat together and visit together.

Following the picnic, some activities or games will be available for the kids to enjoy. After cleaning up the tables and gathering all the things we bring, we'll migrate from the east side of the building to the south side of the parking lot. **HOME MADE ICE CREAM** will be awaiting us. We'll dig into that as the sun continues to go down in the west. We'll also invite folks who have arrived in their cars to watch our fireworks to join us with the ice cream. So, **WE'LL NEED LOTS VOLUNTEERS TO MAKE ICE CREAM.** (You can volunteer at the information table this Sunday, call the church office, or contact Bruce Maples.)

As darkness settles over the land, we'll have a brief reminder of why we celebrate our forefathers sacrifice for our independence from Eng-

land, as well as our Lord's sacrifice for our independence from sin. Each year the Boutz's have set up inspirational music to accompany the pyrotechnic display that will light the sky provided by Bruce Maples and crew.

Just as a reminder, if you'd like to assist with the cost of the fireworks evening and outreach opportunity for our community, you can place a gift in the basket on the information table. All those gifts are greatly appreciated.

### The VBS EXPERIENCE

The last weekend of July will be highlighted by a three-day Vacation Bible School. It will all begin Friday evening, July 29, at 5:30 with a supper meal, will continue Saturday (including lunch), and conclude with worship on Sunday morning. Volunteer workers are getting ready and planning for their roles. Registration forms are on the information table or can be accessed through our website. How can you help? Volunteer for one of the VBS worker positions; register your children or grandchildren, your neighbors' children, your friends' or families' children; provide foods or supplies.

In addition to the VBS events themselves, we are tagging on a **PICNIC AND SWIM PARTY AT GARFIELD PARK AND POOL.** On Sunday evening, July 31, we will potluck a picnic at Garfield park and then have open swim for our church family and our guests. Once again, this is a wonderful opportunity to invite friends who do not attend anywhere to come with you for an enjoyable evening.

I'm looking forward to things warming up around here in July. I hope you are, as well. Summer's arrived! Let's enjoy it in the Lord!

Steve

### Church Offerings for June

Date	Offering
6/5/16	\$4,353
6/12/16	\$3,042
6/19/16	\$2,016
6/26/16	\$1,845

June Avg.: \$2,814

**Weekly Budget Requirement: \$2,803**

**Raise the Roof: \$6600, 120 bundles**



## GUEST SPEAKER, JULY 10

On Sunday, July 10, we will welcome guest speaker Mike Siebert. For several years, Mike was the Youth for Christ representative in the Topeka area, organizing Bible studies and youth events for students in junior high and high schools in support of area church efforts within their own congregations. He currently works for the Kansas Department for Children and Families, and is the Hope Mentoring Regional Coordinator, working with faith-based and community initiatives.

Steve and Linda will be traveling out of town July 8-10; in Steve's absence you may contact one of the church elders if pastoral assistance is required.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MEETINGS

#### Leadership Meetings

- Elders Meeting: Tuesday, July 5, 7:00 p.m. – in the church library (*Empowered Church Leadership*, chapter 5)
- Deacon & Elder Board Meeting, July 24, 6:00 p.m.

### SERVING AT RHCC

#### Cleaning Crew 2 for July

The Jim Clark Cleaning Crew (Crew 2) is cleaning for the month of July.

#### Yard Maintenance

We still need many volunteers for yard work this growing season! Volunteers are needed to pick up pinecones, trim bushes, and trim back weeds. Please sign up in the church foyer.

### FITNESS OPPORTUNITY

There is a Senior Fit & Fun program at the church every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 1:30 p.m. Weights and therabands are used with the exercises, and everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

### CHURCH DIRECTORY, 2016



We are preparing to create a new church directory, and want YOU to be in it! More details will be given later, but for now mark your calendar for the weekend of **October 14 & 15 for photo sessions.**

For now we need 2-3 volunteers to be on a planning team. There will be an organizational meeting in late August to get ready for the process. If you have interest in helping us get ready for our new directory, please contact the church office.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

### Tanglewood Care Home Ministries

We are still collecting small prizes for Bingo at Tanglewood. Please place prize donations in the basket in the foyer. Sisters in Service helps with Bingo on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month.



#### Save the Date!

We are planning a ladies' retreat for 9/30–10/1. Please let Sharlene or Terry know if you would like to help in the planning and presentations.

#### Ladies' Bible Study on break

The Ladies' Bible Study is on break for the summer. Keep watching for information on future studies.

## MEN'S MINISTRIES

The guys had a great time at our Father's Day Bullets & BBQ! Thanks to all who participated in the fun.



## INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION!

### Independence Day Picnic and Fireworks, July 4, 6:45p.m.

Join us for our annual Independence Day Celebration, Monday, July 4. The picnic begins at 6:45 p.m. Meat is provided; please bring your lawn chairs, and a side dish or dessert to share. There will be games for all ages, and ice cream to enjoy. Come for the food and fun, and then stay for the fantastic fireworks display, starting after dusk!

A sign up list is in the church foyer; let us know if you can bring homemade ice cream. There is also a donation basket if you'd like to contribute financially to the fireworks show. Contact Bruce Maples if you have any questions or would like to help with the planning and preparations.

## YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRIES



### Pets Unleashed VBS, July 29-31

Come to Pets Unleashed! Friday, July 29, 5:30-8:30 p.m., and Saturday, July 30, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (Friday dinner and Saturday lunch included. Families are welcome to eat with their children.) A Sunday Celebration will be held during the 10 a.m. worship service on July 31. Make sure you invite your friends and family to join us for a fun weekend learning about how *Jesus Cares 'fur' you!*

**Register today!** Registration is available on our website, [www.rhctopeka.org](http://www.rhctopeka.org), and there are also paper registration forms in the church foyer. Sign up as soon as possible to let us know how many kids to plan for. Be watching upcoming bulletins for more information about any supply needs!

**There will be a brief meeting for volunteers after the worship service on Sunday, July 24, and also a set up**

and decorating party starting at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 28.

**“Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you.”**

**1 Peter 5:7**



### Pool Party and Picnic at Garfield Pool, July 31, 5:45 p.m.



We have reserved the Garfield Pool the evening of Sunday, July 31! Bring the whole family and invite your friends and neighbors to join us for an all-church pool party! We'll have a potluck picnic (Hotdogs are provided), starting at 5:45 for set up, and then the pool is open to us for swimming from 6-8 p.m. Watch your upcoming bulletins for any further information.

Bruce Maples is seeking a volunteer to bring a gas grill for hot dog-grilling. Please let him know, or contact the church office, if you have one to loan.

## SERVING AT ROLLING HILLS FOR JULY

**WORSHIP ELDER** — Eric Showalter

**SONG LEADERS** — Melissa Boutz

**PIANIST** — Lynne Maples

**SOUND** — David Maples

**COMPUTER** — Courtney Wohletz

**CHURCH CLEANERS** — Clark, Team 2

**COMMUNION PREPARATION** — Maples

\* Communion Meditation; # Offering Meditation

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* Kurtis Wells # Joe White Paul Brackey Scott Brackey	* Kurtis Wells # Joe White Paul Brackey Scott Brackey	* Jim Clark # Bob Coffman Harold Watson Walt Baker	* Jim Clark # Bob Coffman Harold Watson Walt Baker	* Jim Clark # Bob Coffman Harold Watson Walt Baker
<b>BENEDICTION</b>				
Joe White	Joe White	Bob Coffman	Bob Coffman	Bob Coffman
<b>MISSIONS UPDATE</b>				
Georgia Ford	Eric Showalter	Sharlene Showalter	Arlene Marshall	Georgia Ford
<b>GREETERS</b>				
Wohletz / B. Barnes	W Baker / Christenberry	Coffman / Denton	Davies / Snyder	Elementary Sunday School
<b>NURSERY WORKERS</b>				
L Seehorn / I Boutz	K Flesher / Baker	T Briggs / I Boutz	Anna Seehorn	K Snyder / B Watson
<b>PRESCHOOL WORSHIP</b>				
Karen Seel	Marcia James/ Megan Perry	Amy White	Karla & Lauryn Morstorf	April Wells
<b>ELEMENTARY WORSHIP</b>				
April Wells	April Wells	April Wells	April Wells	Family Sunday

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*Come Join Us!*

Sundays:

9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

## COMING UP AT ROLLING HILLS

- Mon., July 4:** Independence Day Celebration, 6:45 p.m.
- Sun., July 24:** Brief VBS Meeting for Volunteers, after worship service  
Information due to Melissa for August newsletter
- Thurs., July 28:** VBS Decorating Party, 6:30 p.m.
- Fri., July 29:** Pets Unleashed VBS, 5:30-8:30 p.m.
- Sat., July 30:** Pets Unleashed VBS, 9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
- Sun., July 31:** Family Sunday—VBS Celebration during worship  
Pool Party and Picnic at Garfield Pool, 5:45 p.m.

Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays: Senior Fit & Fun, 1:30 p.m.

### Coming Soon:

Sisters in Service Ladies' Retreat, Sept. 30-Oct. 1  
Coming in Fall: Church Directory pictures, October 14-15

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## LESSONS FROM OZ

Steve's Summer Sermon Series has included some lessons from the land of OZ as we travel with Dorothy down the yellow brick road somewhere over the rainbow. Be here for these special messages from a classic story:

- 6/5/16 - *Everybody's Different*  
6/12/16 - *Hope*  
6/19/16 - *Coping with Life*  
6/26/16 - *Becoming a Dreamer*  
7/3/16 - *Evil's Threat*  
7/17/16 - *Yellow Brick Road*  
7/24/16 - *Thoughtfulness*  
7/31/16 - *Sensitivity*  
8/7/16 - *Courage*  
8/14/16 - *Persist with Help*  
8/21/16 - *Emerald City*  
8/28/16 - *Temptation*  
9/4/16 - *Dreams Can Come True*

