

THE PATHWAY

Our Vision

We are 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: Oh, NO! The Chiefs lost!

Down by 14 points to the despicable New England Patriots at halftime. At the conclusion of the third quarter: Patriots 24, Chiefs 7. You can't give up, though. King Patrick can do it. You've gotta' believe! He does! The Chiefs score 24 points in the fourth quarter to tie the game with mere seconds remaining in regulation.

Overtime. The head referee and the team captains meet at midfield for the all-important coin toss, the winner of which will probably win the game. Neither defense can stop the other team's offense. The visiting Patriots call for heads. The referee flips the coin in the air. It slowly spins as though suspended by unseen forces. All Chiefs fans everywhere experience the same thoughts...WIN THE TOSS!! WIN THE TOSS!! WIN THE TOSS!!

The coin lands heads up. Tom Brady, perhaps the greatest quarterback in NFL history, methodically guides his team downfield, completing remarkable passes.

(Borrowed and rephrased from Earnest Lawrence Thayer, *Casey at the Bat*)

*Oh, somewhere in this favoured
land the sun is shining bright,
The band is playing somewhere, and
somewhere hearts are light;
And somewhere men are laughing,
and somewhere children
shout,
But there is no joy in Chiefs kingdom
— mighty K.C. has struck out.*

Touchdown Patriots. Game over. The Chiefs will stay home Super Bowl weekend.

Chiefs fans everywhere will bemoan mistakes made. Opposing receivers left open. Questionable referee calls reviewed that should have helped the Chiefs but repeatedly, and errantly, ruled against the Chiefs. A

dropped interception by Berry. A mythical roughing the passer penalty against Jones. A disastrous defensive offsides penalty against Ford negating a game ending interception (UNBELIEVABLE!!! DOOFUS!!!).

Mistakes. How can they do that to us? We followed them. We cheered for them. We bought their stuff and wore their gear for crying out loud. YOU BETRAYED US!

But remember, it's only a game.

To put it all in perspective, think of this. Somewhere, in the heavenly places, God has watched our performance on the competitive field of life. We've dropped the ball over and over again. We have cheated and looked around for the penalty flags of sin. We've failed to execute our play plan of Bible reading, prayer, worship, generosity, service. We've fallen down when friends are running freely in cultural chaos and we don't cover them with our testimonies of faith.

At the end of our game, what does God have to say about our efforts? To us believers, wearing the uniform of Christ's blood, God does not berate us as failures, traitors, or disappointments. He instead, out of His own grace, says, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

That does not mean that we performed as well as He would have liked, or even as well as we would have liked. It means that He performed well for us as evidenced through Jesus.

The Chiefs game is over. Similarly, someday our game will be over. But unlike the Chiefs, we have a party many times superior to the Super Bowl awaiting us. We have a banquet which will follow the judgment consummation of our wedding to our bridegroom Jesus. All of eternity will be a celebration of our victory over our despicable opponent, Satan.

Game over. We win.

Steve

Church Offerings for December

Date	Offering
Dec. 2	\$7,637
Dec. 9	\$1,666
Dec. 16	\$1,801
Dec. 23	\$3,786
Dec. 30	\$2,970

Dec. Avg: \$3,572

Weekly Budget Requirement:
\$3,009

ANNOUNCEMENTS



WITH THANKS

The church staff would like to thank the congregation for the Christmas bonuses. Your generosity is appreciated.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Ladies' Bible Study, Thursdays, 9 a.m.

The Ladies' Bible Study meets at the church on Thursdays at 9 a.m. All ladies are welcome!

Manhattan Christian College Woman's World

MCC's Woman's World will be held February 22 & 23 at the Kansas State University Union. This is an annual retreat featuring a guest speaker, numerous practical workshops, worship, and great fellowship with other ladies. For more information or to register, pick up a brochure from the church foyer, or find it on their website at mccks.edu.



MEN'S MINISTRY

Men's Fellowship at McD's, 1/27, 2/24, 7:30 a.m.

Many of the men in our church meet for breakfast

fellowship on the last Sunday of each month at the Hunter's Ridge McDonald's. All men are invited to participate.

SERVING AT RHCC

Cleaning Crew 3 for February

Cleaning Crew 3 is cleaning for the month of February. Thanks to our cleaning crews for all of their hard work!

Serving Schedules for 2019

Many hands make light work! Serving schedules are being updated for 2019. If you would like to be added to our rotating serving schedules, please contact Melissa in the church office. **You** can help lighten the load of other volunteers in the church!

We are especially in need of servers for communion and offering, and someone to help with technology in the sound booth.

Prizes for Tanglewood Bingo

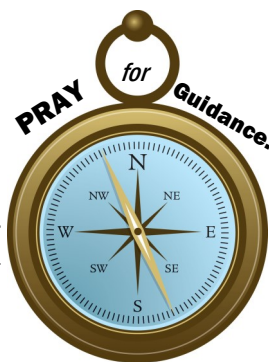
There is now a container for monetary contributions for Tanglewood Bingo, for those who prefer not to shop or don't know what to give. Sisters in Service hosts Bingo at Tanglewood Care Home on the 2nd Thursdays each month. They welcome small gifts and snacks to use as prizes. Prizes and financial contributions can be placed on the counter in the church foyer.



CHURCH LEADERSHIP AND TRANSITION TEAM

Leadership Transition Team

A group of Deacons, Elders, spouses of both, and members of the congregation are meeting weekly as a transition team, working toward Steve's retirement. They will continue to meet through the month of May, working toward filling the upcoming vacancy. This team needs your prayers and support. The committee is led by Kurtis Wells, but please feel free to contact any board member with concerns or ministry needs during this transition process.



Church Leadership Contact Information

We have a great team of deacons and elders who take care of the church in many ways. If you need to reach one of the church leaders, give them a call:

- Bill Hollingshead, Elder: 785-319-6050
- Eric Showalter, Elder: 785-224-4994
- Joe White, Elder: 785-506-4715
- Kevin Wohletz, Elder: 785-250-3157
- Walt Baker (text only): 785-220-6721
- Jim Clark: 785-249-3461; Bruce Maples: 785-249-2750
- David Maples: 785-249-0507; Kurtis Wells: 785-220-8449
- Dustin Mengarelli: 620-724-2877

MEMBER CONNECTIONS

Church Connections Class, February 16

On Saturday, February 16, 2019, we will hold a RHCC Connections Class for all interested in learning more about the church and church membership. The focus of the class will be on the church mission, values, membership path, and member expectations. The class time is expected to be 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., with lunch provided.

Please respond by February 10 so we can have adequate materials and make appropriate lunch arrangements. Contact the church office by phone (785.286.0601) or email (office@rhccotopeka.org).



Everyone interested in the information is invited to attend.

YOUTH MINISTRY



Youth Group

Youth Group for Jr. and Sr. High students meets on Sunday afternoons at 4:00 p.m. Youth Group will not meet on Sunday, February 3.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Guest Speaker February 3, 10 a.m.

On Sunday, February 3, we will hear from guest speaker Brandon Bradley, of Central Christian College of the Bible in Moberly, Missouri. He will share the message during our 10 a.m. worship service and will also have a meeting with our Leadership Transition Team.

Mission Guest March 3, 10 a.m.

A guest speaker from Good News Productions, Alan Wan, will be here to share with us about their work, on Sunday, March 3, during the sermon time at our 10 a.m. worship service. We will receive a love offering in a basket in the foyer for GNPI.

ANNUAL MEETING

Make sure to be a part of our All-Church Annual Meeting on Sunday morning, February 3, 2019, starting at 9 a.m. Rolling Hills Christian Church holds an annual meeting every year on the 1st Sunday in February. The meeting will take the place of our regular Sunday School time, and no Sunday School classes will be offered that day so everyone may attend the meeting. Doughnuts and drinks will be served.

Make plans now to join us and participate in the working of our church. In addition to hearing a report on mission giving for the last year, members will have the opportunity to vote on the budget and leadership for the coming year.

The following have been nominated for leadership for the next year, and will be voted on at the Annual Meeting.

Elders:	Mel Christenberry
Bill Hollingshead	Eric Showalter
Joe White	Kevin Wohletz
Deacons:	
Walt Baker	Jim Clark
Bruce Maples	David Maples
Dustin Mengarelli	Kurtis Wells



SERVING AT ROLLING HILLS FOR FEBRUARY, 2019

WORSHIP ELDER — Eric Showalter
SOUND - Bryan Boutz

SONG LEADERS — Boutz / Seehorn
COMPUTER - Bruce Maples

PIANIST — Tari Metzler
CHURCH CLEANERS - Crew 3

COMMUNION PREPARATION - Christenberry

* Communion Meditation; # Offering Meditation and Benediction

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* Jim Clark # David Maples Harold Watson Richard Johnson	* Jim Clark # David Maples Harold Watson Richard Johnson	* Kurtis Wells # Bill Hollingshead Walt Baker Konner Wells	* Kurtis Wells # Bill Hollingshead Walt Baker Konner Wells

MISSIONS UPDATE

Georgia Ford	Eric Showalter	Sharlene Showalter	Arlene Marshall
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GREETERS

Smith / Holthaus	Snyder / Davies	White / Huntsman	Watson / Wohletz
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NURSERY WORKERS

J Barnes / B Watson	L Seehorn / Tammy Smith	B Johnson / JA Boutz	T Baker / K Flesher
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PRESCHOOL WORSHIP

Karen Seel	Marcia James/ Megan Perry	Amy White	Karla Morstorf
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ELEMENTARY WORSHIP: Bryan and Melissa Boutz

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Come Join Us!

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

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COMING UP AT ROLLING HILLS

Sun., Feb. 3 All-Church Annual Meeting, 9 a.m.
There will be no Jr./Sr. High Youth Group this day.

Sun., Feb. 17: March Newsletter Information Due
(Newsletter information is due on the 3rd Sunday of each month.)

Sun., Feb. 24: Men's Fellowship at McDonald's, 7:30 a.m.

Weekly:

Thursdays: Ladies' Bible Study, 9 a.m.
Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays: Senior Fit & Fun, 1:30 p.m.;
Sundays, Youth Group, 4 p.m.

Coming Up:

- Guest Speaker Alan Wan of Good News Productions, March 3.
- Easter Concert with the Pic & Bow, April 21.

The Pathway is available on our website!

Simply e-mail us to let us know if you prefer not to receive a paper copy.

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Tanglewood Care Home Ministry

Sisters in Service will help with Bingo on February 12 at 2:15 p.m. Extra help is always appreciated! They continue to need small items for prizes, and there is a collection basket in the foyer for donations.

Topeka Rescue Mission

Join in on February 26 at 9 a.m. for an ongoing volunteer opportunity currently served by the Sisters in Service at the Topeka Rescue Mission.

Operation Backpack with Topeka North Outreach

Operation Backpack packs food sacks on the 1st Thursday of each month, at Indian Creek Elementary. The next food sack-packing is February 7.



The LORD your God...
will rejoice over you with gladness;
he will quiet you by his love.

ZEPHANIAH 3:17, ESV