

# 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: The Near Future

We are winding down the last weeks of my full-time ministry here at Rolling Hills. Before I know it, I'll be getting up every morning, fixing my eggs and bacon breakfast, reading the paper, then...what? I DON'T KNOW!!

Well, I actually do have a couple of ideas. I might help a friend with his lawn business to get him through some health issues until he feels good enough to know what he wants to do. I will probably do some supply preaching for small churches that can't afford to have a full-time preacher, or to pitch-hit for someone who is going on vacation. Linda and I may check out some places where we would like to travel or go visit. I received a suggestion about going to China for short-term language work (Alan Wan from GNPI has some ideas about this). I think it would be fun to try to visit mission workers overseas from time to time...finances permitting (a friend, David Roadcup, suggested a contact to follow up with on this idea). Goal #1, though... have enough money to eat, play golf, and play softball (not necessarily in that order).

But what about the remaining days this spring at RHCC?

We have a couple very nice Sunday events on the horizon.

Alan Wan from Good News Productions in Joplin, MO, will be speaking about their work on Sunday, March 3. He is a fascinating, well-spoken young man of Chinese origin who now works for GNPI. I am looking forward to hearing him speak, and I hope you will be, as well.

Pic and Bow will be presenting a concert during our Easter worship on April 21 following our Easter breakfast. David Smart has been a terrific friend of Rolling Hills for many years with remarkable guitar talent and worship music. I am thrilled to be able to have him with us one more time during my tenure.

We also have a nice Saturday event on Saturday, March 9. Our RHCC Connections has been rescheduled due to weather last week.

We'll meet from 10 a.m. until about 1:30, lunch included. We will cover a wide variety of topics including our church history, general structure, beliefs, path to membership, and membership expectations. If you have not signed up yet, please contact the church office and tell us your intent so we can have plenty of food for lunch. This is open to anyone, non-members and members both.

I am finishing up a sermon series titled "Last Thoughts". Several persons have been very complimentary about these messages that focus around some key Bible personalities who presented some astute observations and pronouncements as their various ministries or leadership came to conclusions.

I have one final series of six messages that will carry us through April. I am quite excited about this series and hope you will all be present to hear them. I received the idea from a friend, Monty Wilkinson, who preaches at a large church in Lexington, KY. We are from the same church in Ankeny, IA. He is younger than me and is a dynamic speaker with a remarkable personality. We both spoke at First Church of Christ at their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary weekend last November. I spoke with him about using his message ideas and turning it into my concluding series, and he graciously gave me his blessing (I told him it didn't really matter because I was going to do it anyway). I also plan to have something for every family to take with them every Sunday as a reminder of these messages. The series is titled, "From Here to There". I truly hope it turns out as well as I imagine, and that you will find it as helpful as I intend.

That's it. The near future. After that is the unknown, and as I said Sunday morning in my message, the unknown future presents a great opportunity. Join me in the adventures that our future presents to us all.

Steve

### Church Offerings for Jan/Feb

Date	Offering
1/6	\$3,252
1/13	\$2,088
1/20	\$2,331
1/27	\$2,868
<b>Jan. Avg:</b>	<b>\$2,633</b>
2/3	\$2,518
2/10	\$5,480
2/17	\$1,220

**Weekly Budget Requirement: \$3,009**



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## EASTER

Make plans to join us for a very special Resurrection Sunday! In addition to our fantastic Easter Breakfast, we will enjoy a concert by The Pic & Bow. You won't want to miss the Easter Celebration at Rolling Hills Christian Church on Sunday, April 21!



EASTER SUNDAY

month at the Hunter's Ridge McDonald's. All men are invited to participate.

## SERVING AT RHCC

### Cleaning Crew 1 for March

Cleaning Crew 1 is cleaning for the month of March. Thanks to our cleaning crews for all of their hard work!

### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

## 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!

### Ozark Christian College Women's Conference

Ladies, mark your calendar for the OCC Women's Conference April 5-6. The theme will be *Return to Rest*, from Psalm 116:7.

## SENIOR CONFERENCE

### Ozark Christian College Branson Conference

May 27-31

*We are Christ's Ambassadors* conference is aimed at adults 55+. Check out the brochure in the church foyer, or see information online at [occ.edu/branson](http://occ.edu/branson).

## MEN'S MINISTRY



### Men's Fellowship at McD's, 3/31, 7:30 a.m.

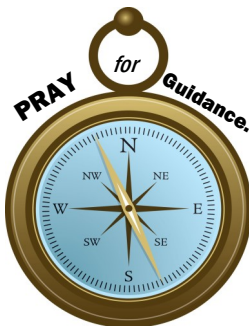
Many of the men in our church meet for breakfast fellowship on the last Sunday of each

# 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.

The search team is happy to announce that they have finalized and gone live with both our church profile as well as our job description for the Sr. Minister position. Please continue to pray for this group, and of course, for God lighting the path for our next minister.



## 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:

- Mel Christenberry, Elder: 785-383-6458
- Bill Hollingshead, Elder: 785-319-9211
- 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, March 9

On Saturday, March 9, 2019, we will hold a RHCC Connections Class for all interested in learning more about the church and church membership. This was rescheduled from February due to weather. 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 March 3 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](mailto: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.

We plan to have a parent meeting soon to discuss the direction of the youth group and the form our meetings will take in the future. Please watch your upcoming bulletins for more information!



## GUEST SPEAKERS

### 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

### All-Church Annual Meeting Follow-Up

Our Annual Meeting was held on February 3, 2019. Some items discussed included Steve's upcoming retirement, as well as potential future updates to the church.

Regarding Missions, Georgia Ford reported that the Mission Team distributed our Harvest Offering between the missions we support, with the same distributions as were made last year.

The Budget for the coming year was voted on and passed by a majority. The elders and deacons were also voted on and were elected as follows:



**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 MARCH, 2019

**WORSHIP ELDER** – Kevin Wohletz

**SONG LEADERS** – Melissa Boutz

**PIANIST** – Tari Metzler

**SOUND** – David Maples

**COMPUTER** – April Wohletz

**CHURCH CLEANERS** – Crew 1

**COMMUNION PREPARATION** – Boutz

\* Communion Meditation; # Offering Meditation and Benediction

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<b>MISSIONS UPDATE</b>				
Georgia Ford	Eric Showalter	Sharlene Showalter	Arlene Marshall	Georgia Ford
<b>GREETERS</b>				
Baker / R Barnes	Boutz / Johnson	Briggs / Christenberry	Clark/ Coffman	Ford / B Maples
<b>NURSERY WORKERS</b>				
T Briggs / K Snyder	B Watson / JA Boutz	L Seehorn / Tammy Smith	B Johnson / JA Boutz	T Baker / K Flesher
<b>PRESCHOOL WORSHIP</b>				
Karen Seel	Marcia James/ Megan Perry	Amy White	Karla Morstorf	April Wells
<b>ELEMENTARY WORSHIP:</b> April Wells				

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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., March 3** Guest Speaker Alan Wan, of GNPI, 10 a.m.

**Sat., March 9** RHCC Member Connections Class, 10 a.m.

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

**Sun., March 31:** 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:



- 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 March 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 March 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 March 7.

