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Eastertide: The Season of New Life and Promise

Easter is a “moveable feast” which, unlike Christmas with its set date, falls on the Sunday after the full moon following March 21. It can be easy to fall back into “life as normal” after observing Easter. But, the season of Easter – 49 days – is Christendom’s most meaningful and historic celebration.

Historical Roots of Easter Season

The Easter Season – or Eastertide – is seven weeks after Easter. It seems likely that Eastertide was modelled after the Jewish festival of Shavuot, The Festival of Weeks, which was seven weeks long and ended with the celebration of Shavuot on the 50th day. In Christian tradition, the Easter season leads us to celebrate **Pentecost**, the gift of God’s Holy Spirit on the 50th day. This year, Pentecost is May 19th.

Finding Meaning in the Tradition

As with Christmas, there may be an emotional slump after Easter. Eastertide is, therefore, a good time to engage in something new in mission, something daring and innovative. Gather up your unused kitchen items and donate them to a refugee resettlement program. Start going to a bible study group or other fellowship opportunity. Make an effort to keep the “spirit” of Easter going in your life through intentional practices and efforts that remind you of new life and resurrection.



Eastertide Sermon Series


The weeks after Easter are intended to be times of focused devotion, and attention to the ways God’s love in Christ is showing up in our lives. The scriptures will remind us of the ways the post-resurrection Christ appears to his followers, and how they responded to his new commandments.

Centrally, the command is to love, a refrain found throughout the Gospel of John, as well as the First Letter of John—which many scholars consider to be an early commentary on the gospels themes, including this commandments to love one another as Christ has loved us. **If you’re waiting for a good time to get to church, this is it! With the themes of responding to new life and discovering God’s abundant love, this is the perfect way to invite a friend to Hillside.**

I look forward to seeing you present in worship and among the fellowship at Hillside.

-Rev. Andy Beck

Hillside Day At The Park!



- May 26th, 1:05 pm
- 20-person suite
- Tickets are \$35 each
- See Craig or Gena Elsmore to reserve your tickets

Hillside Makes the Play!

Join friends from Hillside Christian Church for an afternoon at the ballpark! The first of several Kansas City Monarchs “Faith & Family Day” is Sunday, May 26th. Reserve your ticket with Gena or Craig Elsmore. Last Year we had a great turnout, and we expect another great afternoon this year.



LINKED IN LOVE

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GKG DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

CAMP DATES

DAY CAMP 1 JUNE 26

DAY CAMP 2 JULY 20

PRIMARY CAMP JULY 8 - 10

JUNIOR CAMP JUNE 24-27

CHI RHO CAMP JULY 14-18

EIGHTERS CAMP JULY 6 - 12

CYF CAMP JUNE 18 - 23

GRANDPARENTS 1 CAMP JUNE 7 - 9

GRANDPARENTS 2 CAMP JULY 12-14

FAMILY CAMP JUNE 28 - 30

ADULT CAMP MAY 30 - 2

LINKED IN LOVE—Disciples Summer Camps

Children and Youth from across the Kansas City area are signing up for summer camp at Tall Oaks! With events and overnight camps for ages from little ones to older teens, families, grandparents, and adults, Disciples Summer Camps are filling up! Don't wait to register for camp—Hillside provides 50% scholarships for every camper, plus other scholarships are available if needed.

Visit <https://www.talloaks.org/doc-camps> to learn about the age groups for each event, and more about the summer camp program that Hillside participates in. Early pricing ends in May—so sign up today!



Hillside Church Social

Sunday, April 28th
2:00 pm

Jowler Creek Winery

See Gena & Craig Elsmore for more details


Hillside’s Church Social, April 28th

Join friends and neighbors for an afternoon of fellowship in the beautiful setting at Jowler Creek Winery in Platte City. From their sustainable practices to their delicious offerings, come explore belonging and community with Hillside.

Mark your calendar for 2:00 pm on the 28th, and join us at Jowler Creek for Church Social!

Adult Bible Classes

- Sunday mornings at 9:15 -
- Short-term study groups throughout the year -



Baptism SUNDAY



April 7th, 2024
10:30 am Service

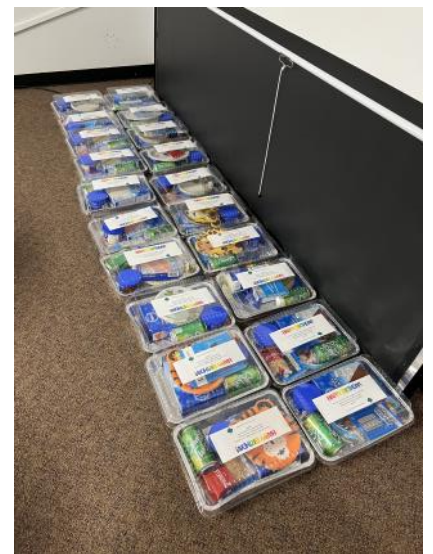


HILLSIDE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
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The pantry continues to be busy. We consistently have new clients; many of whom are without a home. We supply them with as much food as they can manage, and try to provide easy to prepare options for people with limited resources. This includes pull-top cans, bread, oatmeal, and protein from nut butters and jerky as available.

Job's Daughters Bethel #7 brought us 12 birthday kits. They contain a cake mix, frosting, candles and decorations. Also Daisy Troop 4033, who meet at Hillside, also brought us 18 birthday kits. Both groups put all the ingredients for a cake in an aluminum cake pan, ready to mix and bake. We are so glad we can provide these kits to our clients and their children!



NORTHLAND CHURCH WOMEN UNITED UPCOMING EVENTS

Northland Church Women United is an ecumenical group made up of Christian Congregations in the KC Northland. Start to participate is by attending an event this spring or fall.

- * **Spring Forum: April 5th @ Church of Jesus Christ of Later Dat Saints**
- * **May Friendship Day: May 3rd @ Northminster Presbyterian**
- * **Fall Forum: October 4th @ Hillside Christian Church**
- * **World Community Day: November 1st @ Barry Christian Church**

April 2024

Sunday Schedule: 8:00 Chapel, & 10:30 Sanctuary, in-person and online worship service, via Facebook and YouTube. Visit www.hillsidecc.com for more information. 9:15 Adult Sunday School classes. Multi-Nations Christian Church: 12:30pm, Chapel

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 6:30p Pack 271 7p Troop 271	2 4:30 Stewardship 6:30p Elders	3 11:30 a Prayer 6p Ringers 6:45p Singers	4 10a Quilters	5	6
7 Baptism Sunday 10:30 service	8 6:30p Pack 271 7p Troop 271	9	10 11:30 a Prayer 6p Ringers 6:45p Singers	11 10a Quilters	12	13 8a Men's Breakfast
14 12:30 Youth Group Fun Trip	15 6:30p Pack 271 7p Troop 271	16	17 11:30 a Prayer 6p Ringers 6:45p Singers	18 10a Quilters	19	20
21 2pm Pet Blessing in North Circle Drive	22 6:30p Pack 271 7p Troop 271	23 12p Saints Alive 4:30 Stewardship	24 11:30 a Prayer 6p Ringers 6:45p Singers	25 10a Quilters	26	27 1p Uplift
28 2p Church Social @ Jowler Creek Winery	29 6:30p Pack 271 7p Troop 271	30				

Prayer Group Meets each Wednesday at 11:30am in the Lounge. We study the Psalms, have prayer, and conversation. All are invited and welcome!

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12 Mother's Day	13 6:30p Pack 271 7p Troop 271	14	15 11:30 a Prayer 6p Ringers 6:45p Singers	16 10a Quilters	17	18
19 Pentecost Special Offering	20 6:30p Pack 271 7p Troop 271	21	22 11:30 a Prayer 6p Ringers 6:45p Singers	23 10a Quilters 6p Board meeting	24	25 1p Uplift
26 Loose Change Birthday Fellow- ship Monarchs Game	27 Memorial Day 6:30p Pack 271 7p Troop 271	28 12p Saints Alive 4:30p Steward- ship	29 11:30 a Prayer	30 10a Quilters	31	

**Saints Alive meets monthly on the 4th Tuesday at noon. It's a potluck lunch with great friends, good food, lively conversation and a special guest program each month!
Set your reminder for Saints Alive!**

Pet Blessing Sunday

April 21st
2:00 pm

Hillside Circle Drive



Join us for a special spring celebration as we offer our thanks to God for the gifts of pets and animal companions! God's love is surely shared with us through the comfort and blessing we experience through pets, and we want to honor that gift by blessing our animals with a fun and special outdoor service!

Sunday, April 21st, 2:00 pm in the Hillside Circle Drive. Bring your Pet, special animal, and join us for a celebration of God's creatures!

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 1—Tim Zouck
- 4— Judy Jennings
- 5— Noah Beck
- 7— Mary Grun, Scott Duncan
- 11— Pat Shoemaker
- 14— Will Willhaus
- 26— Maddie Houx
- 30— Pat Sanders Kent



Mar. Participation & Attendance

3rd, 99 10th, 93
17th, 86 24th, 91

31st, *EASTER will be reported next month*

Average Sunday Attendance: **92***
Average Sunday School: **20**
Other events total participation: **49**
(Saints Alive, Men's group, Egg Hunt Help etc.)

April Sunday Greeters & Deacons

	<u>Door Greeters</u>	<u>Offering Deacons</u>
7th	Hanway/Foster	Hanway/Foster
14th	Loft	Loft
21st	Hendrix	Hendrix
28th	Ringer/Elsmore	Ringer/Elsmore

We continue to grow the Greeters & Deacons Ministry. To volunteer to be a Greeter or Deacon, see Randy Hendrix.

April Worship Leadership

Date	8:00 Elder	10:30 Elder	10:30 Elder	Liturgist (10:30)	Media Ministry (10:30)
4/7/24	Ross Perry	Bonnie Dickson	Bobbie Hawks	Joy Robertson	Jan & John Seals
4/14/24	Karen Krotz	Sue Britt	Kathy Shirley	Sue Britt	Aaron Houx
4/21/24	Mel Tipton	Bobbie Hawks	Sue Britt	Bob Litle	Kevin Ringer
4/28/24	Ross Perry	Joy Robertson	Lauren Crenshaw	Jan Seals	Jan & John Seals

Financial Report Summary March 2024

Text to give! 📣

text **GROWHCC** to **833-355-5700**

The March 2024 Financial Report Summary is not available for this issue of the Hillside Good News. The updated information will be included in the April 4th edition of the weekly Hillside Happenings email update.

Many Thanks to the Men's Group & any others who made the Egg Hunt a success! John & Jan Seals, Randy & Becki Hendrix, Bob & Patty Loft, Bill & Brenda Coons, Craig & Gena Elsmore, Bob & Karen Krotz, Tom & Krista Hindsley, Sherry McCallister, Tyler Hedges, & Kevin Ringer.

What a great group to make an even greater event happen to welcome our neighbors to church for an Easter celebration!




Saints
ALIVE

Fellowship Lunch
4th Tuesday of the month
12:00 pm, Nalley Hall



Birthday Sundays *Happy Birthday*

Apr. 21
May 26
June 30

Join Hillsiders for special treats each month for Birthday Celebration Sunday between services



Are You Hungry?

MEN'S BREAKFAST

FOOD, FRIENDSHIP, INSPIRATION

Second Saturday of the month
8:00 am -- Nalley Hall

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Loose Change Sunday

Benefitting Local and Denominational Ministries

- Jan. Benevolence Fund
- Feb. HOPE.wrx / SOUPer Bowl
- Mar. Easter Special Offering
- April Capital Campaign Balance
- May Pentecost Special Offering
- June Benevolence Fund

Last Sunday of the Month

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LIVE STREAM

Join our live stream each Sunday at 10:25 am on YouTube and Facebook

Facebook.com/HillsideKC
YouTube: @HillsideChristianChurchKC
www.hillsidecc.com

Traveling and want to worship with Hillside? Have a flat tire on the way to church?

Participate in worship live and online each Sunday through our social channels! Follow & subscribe to get notifications. We post scriptures and other content on our FB each day—be sure to follow Hillside online!

And don't forget to sign up for recurring giving through PushPay, our secure online giving portal.

