



Hillside Good News



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A Pastor's Perspective



As we enter the sacred season of Lent, we embark on a journey of reflection, renewal, and deepening faith. This year, our Lenten sermon series, *How Will They Know?*, will guide us through the transformative words of Galatians 5:22-23—the Fruits of the Spirit.

Jesus said, “By this, everyone will know that you are my disciples: if you have love for one another” (John 13:35). The way we live, the way we love, and the way we embody God’s Spirit in our daily lives becomes our testimony to the world. Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control—these are not just personal virtues but visible signs of God’s presence in us.

Each Sunday in Lent, we will explore one of these fruits, asking, *How will they know we belong to Christ?* We will reflect on what it means to cultivate these gifts in a world that is often impatient, divided, and in need of God’s grace.

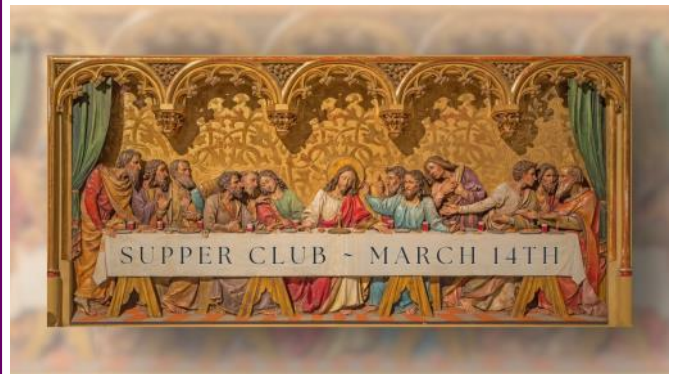
I invite you to commit to this journey with us in worship each week. Whether you have been part of this church for decades or are just beginning to explore faith, this series will offer a meaningful way to grow spiritually and deepen your connection with God and one another.

This is also a wonderful opportunity to invite friends, family, and neighbors to church. People are searching for authentic expressions of faith—let’s be the church that shows them what the Spirit of God looks like in action!

May this Lent be a season of transformation for us all. I look forward to walking this road with you.

Be Excellent To Each Other! <><

-Rev. Andy Beck



Supper Club begins March 14th. This once a month fellowship opportunity is gearing up! To reserve your spot see Craig and Gena. You can be a host, a guest or just meet up and have a good evening among friends.



**HILLSIDE AT
THE MONARCHS**

Sunday, June 3rd
\$35/ticket in suite
See Gena or Craig

Hillside Makes the Play!

Join friends from Hillside Christian Church for an afternoon at the ballpark! Make the OUT-ing on Sunday June 3rd for Hillside Day at the Monarchs! Last Year we had a great turnout, and we expect another great afternoon this year. Tickets are \$35. See Craig or Gena to sign up.

*Another Way
Tall Oaks*



CYF MID-WINTER	JAN 3RD-5TH
CHI RHO MID-WINTER	FEB 7TH-9TH
DAY CAMP 1	JUNE 25th
DAY CAMP 2	JULY 19TH
PRIMARY	JULY 14TH-16TH
JUNIOR	JUNE 26TH-29TH
CHI RHO	JULY 20TH-24TH
EIGHTERS	JULY 18TH-24TH
CYF	JUNE 24th-29TH
ADULT CAMP	MAY 23RD-26TH
GRANDPARENTS CAMP 1	JUNE 20TH-22ND
GRANDPARENTS CAMP 2	JULY 11TH-13TH

2025 KC DISCIPLES CAMPS



“Another Way” —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!



**Cub Scout Pack 271
Pancake
Breakfast**

**Sunday,
March 16th**

QR code and Venmo link

Hillside Christian Church
900 NE Vivion RD
Kansas City, MO

Open 8AM-12PM

Silent Auction during breakfast \$5/person at the door

Many different items available at auction, more information to come.



**YOUTH
GROUP**

SUNDAYS

MARCH 9, 5-8 @ HINDSLEYS
MARCH 16, 12:30 @ HILLSIDE
MARCH 23, 1:30 @ HILLSIDE

YOUTH GROUP is happening! 3/9 is bonfire night at the Hindsleys with FCC Liberty. 3/16 is More fun in the dirt as we learn about potatoes and having deep faith in God. 3/23 is Regional Youth Group @ Hillside. Lots of fun to be had this month for Youth Group! See Rev. Beck for more info.



Thank you to everyone who donated to the Souper Bowl of Caring. We received over 600 pounds of canned chili, beans, tomatoes as well as chili seasonings and crackers. Our clients were so happy to receive these items especially during the recent bitterly cold weather.

The pantry was closed several days during the recent 2 week period. When the NKC schools are closed due to weather, the pantry is also closed. Harvesters was even closed several days. Since the weather has cleared up, we have been very busy.

Harvesters sent us our yearly statistics of what we coordinated with them. In 2024, HOPE.wrx served 2934 households which represented 9170 individuals.

We acquired 80577 pounds of food and household goods at \$158,736. The value of food is determined by Feeding America based on the average wholesale value of food. For 2024, that value was \$1.97/pound.

Beginning March 1, we will no longer be asking for hats, gloves and scarves for this winter. Thank you for helping us provide these items to our neighbors.



Hillside “Miracle” Day Spring Cleaning

Saturday April 12th is our spring clean up day, and we have plenty to do! If you like being outside, there’s work in the Courtyard Garden. If you like low jobs, there’s sweeping! If you like clarity, there’s window washing! There’s a job for everyone!

So grab your rags, cleaning sprays, paint brushes, spades, gloves and work clothes and join us for a morning of group work to make the church ready for Holy Week and Easter!

The Men’s Group will provide breakfast for anyone who comes early at 8:00 am to eat. Project Launch Meeting is at 8:30 and work continues until it’s done! “Many hands make light work” the saying goes, and we’ll have plenty to do!

April 12th
“Miracle” Day

Church Clean Up Projects Include:

- Cleaning windows and walls
- Sweeping and dusting
- Painting and touch-ups
- Minor repairs

SIGN UP TO HELP GET READY FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER AT HILLSIDE!

SPRING WORK DAY

March 2025

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-Nation Christian Church: 12:30pm, Chapel

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3	4 6:30p Elders	5 11:30a Prayer 6:00p Ash Wednesday Service 7:00p Singers	6 10a Quilters	7	8 8:00a Men's Breakfast
9 Lent 1 5-8p Youth Group @ Hindsleys	10	11	12 11:30a Prayer 6:00p Ringers 7:00p Singers	13 10a Quilters	14 <i>Upper Club Begins</i>	15
16 Lent 2 <i>Scout Pancake Breakfast</i> 1p Youth Group	17	18 4:30 Steward- ship	19 11:30a Prayer 6:00p Ringers 7:00p Singers	20 10a Quilters	21	22 1p Uplift
23 Lent 3 <i>Birthday Fellow- ship</i> 1:30 Regional Youth Group @ Hillside	24	25 12p Saints Alive	26 11:30a Prayer 6:00p Ringers 7:00p Singers	27 10a Quilters 6:00p Board Meeting	28	29
30 Lent 4 <i>Emeritus Sun- day</i> Loose Change	31					

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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13 Lent 6 PALM Sunday 2p Egg Hunt	14 <i>Holy Week</i>	15 <i>Holy Week</i>	16 <i>Holy Week</i> 11:30a Prayer 6:00p Ringers 7:00p Singers	17 <i>Holy Week</i> 10a Quilters 6p Maundy Thursday Service	18 <i>Good Friday</i> 8a—8p, 12 Hour Prayer Vigil	19
20 EASTER SUNDAY!! <i>He Is Risen!</i>	21	22 12p Saints Alive 2:30 Stewardship	23 11:30a Prayer 6:00p Ringers 7:00p Singers	24	25	26 1p Uplift
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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!



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 3/2 Stacy Lee-Wertz
- 3/4 Sharon Rigg
- 3/6 Mike Shirley
- 3/7 Karen Krotz
- 3/9 Ashlyn Pursel
- 3/10 Doone Loughery
- 3/11 Willena Downhour
- 3/12 Bruce Falcone
- 3/17 Ann Legg
- 3/19 Frances Francis
- 3/20 Donna Michael

- 3/24 Elizabeth Beck
- 3/25 Lauren Duncan, Cara Smelcer
- 3/27 John Seals
- 3/28 Donna Foster
- 3/30 Howard Brazelton

MARCH Anniversaries

- 3/04 Charles & Christine Baudoin
- 3/31 John & Jan Seals

Feb. Participation & Attendance

2nd, 85
9th, 91 (SOUPer Bowl of Caring)
16th, 127 (Scout Sunday)
23rd, 114

Average Sunday Attendance: **104**
Average Sunday School: **18**
Other events total participation: **43**
(Saints Alive, Youth Group, Men's group, etc.)

Mar. Sunday Greeters & Deacons

	<u>Door Greeters</u>	<u>Offering Deacons</u>
2nd	Hanway/Foster	Hanway/Foster
9th	Loft	Loft
16th	Hendrix	Hendrix
23rd	Ringer/Elsmore	Ringer/Elsmore
30th	Hanway/Foster	Hanway/Foster

To volunteer to be a Greeter or Deacon, see Randy Hendrix.

March Worship Leadership

Date	8:00 Elder	10:30 Elder	10:30 Elder	Liturgist (10:30)	Media Ministry (10:30)
3/2/25	Ross Perry	Lauren Crenshaw	Joy Robertson	Rev. Andy Beck	Aaron Houx
3/9/25	Karen Krotz	Aundra Hedges	Bonnie Dickson		Aaron Houx
3/16/25	Mel Tipton	Penny Keith	Brenda Coons	Penny Keith	Seals
3/23/25	Audra Pelham	Mike Shirley	Gena Elsmore	Jan Seals	Seals
3/30/25	Ross Perry	Bobbie Lynch	Bob Litle	Joy Robertson	Aaron Houx

Financial Report Summary January 2025

Text to give! 📌

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

The January 2025 Financial Report will be delayed. We did end the year in 2024 ahead of budget in general revenues, both from tithes and offerings, and other revenue (building/gym use etc). It's a sign of a strong church community! Thank you for your continued support of the ministry we share!

SENIOR REAL ESTATE PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAM



To be eligible for the Senior Real Estate Property Tax Relief program, you must turn or be 62 years of age during the calendar year 2025, a Clay County resident and own your home, the home you are claiming must be your primary residence, and you must be responsible for the property tax.

To enroll in the program, seniors will need a valid US Government issued photo identification, proof of all taxes paid, and proof of ownership.

The tax relief is not retroactive and all Clay County residents eligible for the tax relief, and who apply in 2025, will have a base tax year of 2024. The tax relief is calculated by subtracting the real estate property tax of the base year from the current year's real estate property tax.

Participants are required to submit an affidavit every year after the initial application to ensure eligibility is still being met.

For more information about the Senior Real Estate Property Tax Relief program, visit [HERE](https://www.claycountymo.gov/563/2024---2025-Senior-Real-Estate-Property-).
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Connect ONLINE with Hillside!

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.

