

# WELCOME



If you are a first time visitor please fill out one of our **Information Cards** available at the Information Center or in the Sanctuary. We want to thank you for joining us today as we celebrate God's grace and goodness together. Please be sure to introduce yourself to us and thanks again for coming.

## TODAY:

**Pastor Marko will be preaching his first Sunday sermon at ROCC this morning, entitled: "In God We Trust"**

**Wed. Night Worship, Prayer, and Bible Study -- Jan. 21, at 7:00 PM. We are examining the truths in the book of James** (According to James the most fundamental expression of faith is joy.) Joy is a fruit of the Holy Spirit! "The Joy of the Lord (in all circumstances) is our strength."

**ROCC Youth Gathering—Friday Jan.23, @ 7:00 PM "How to Make Good Decisions" (3)**

**ROCC Young Adults—Saturday Jan.31, "BOWLING" time & place TBA.**



## JUST FOR KIDS

Our children join us for worship in the main Sanctuary until they are called to the altar area for prayer. They will then attend Sunday School and will be supervised by our capable workers. Their special Bible lesson will conclude at the same time as the adult service.

Nursery is also supervised and available when the children are dismissed from the sanctuary.

Parents please note that your child needs to be signed-in and signed-out every Sunday.

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***"See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ."*** (Col. 2:8)

Philosophy deals with view-points, beliefs, values, attitudes and ways of life. The warning from Scripture is to beware of hollow and deceptive philosophies. Scripture warns that there is the danger of being a captive of such things. To be captive is to be captivated with a particular vain value that has absolutely no basis or truth. It is to pursue it, think about it, promote it, believe in it, and spend money and time on it. Something that is "hollow" has no substance to it. It becomes a massive distraction to what we should be giving attention to and because it is hollow it produces nothing but sizzle, but never substance.

Secular humanism is one such philosophy. It has become a religion in and of itself. It has infiltrated itself into secular education, media, and government. In its narcissism it asserts many opinions. Among many beliefs its core views promote that knowledge does not exist without human discovery, humans have not been created by a personal God, that moral standards are not absolute, that Scripture is not God's inspired revelation to humanity, and that human origin is yet to be discovered in the secrets of the undiscovered universe. It does not get much hollower than that!

In the first edition of Maclean's Magazine for 2015, writer Scot Gilmore reported that there are no fewer than seven probes on or orbiting Mars right now; and their primary focus is finding life, water, and organic molecules. This search has become a major distraction and expenditure with no evidence of life beyond earth at all. What about the condition of life on this planet that we do know about? Scripture is right; without faith... ***"They exchanged the truth of God for a lie..."*** (Rom. 1:25)

## F.Y.I.



**The New Window Blinds for the church will soon be installed; if you would like to contribute, above your regular tithes and offerings towards the cost of the new blinds and the new paint please indicate that on an offering envelope. Thank you!**