

Shepherd of the Hill

Our Mission: *To Know Jesus & To Make Jesus Known*

REFORMATION SUNDAY

October 25, 2020



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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

OUTDOOR WORSHIP ON SATURDAYS, HAS FINISHED

IN-PERSON WORSHIP SUNDAY,

OCTOBER 25 AT 10AM (BY RESERVATION ONLY)

We will gather for a virtual coffee hour at 11:15am, after the 10:00 in-person service. See your email for a Zoom invitation.

JOIN US FOR AN ONLINE SERVICE ON FACEBOOK

Available after 5:00pm on Saturday, October 24

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

See our online Children's Message during our worship services.

NEWEST IN THE NEWS

OUTDOOR WORSHIP—SATURDAYS, HAS FINISHED FOR THE SEASON

FAMILY MOVIE AND TREAT NIGHT MOVED TO SATURDAY, 10/24 (MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIRED)

Due to the inclement weather, this has been moved to this Saturday, 10/24, 6-8pm in the SOTH parking lot. Bring your lawn chairs and watch classic Halloween kids specials on the big screen! Bring your jack-o-lantern and light it up! There will be pumpkin decorating and kids treat bags. Please bring a bag of food for the 'Bags of Hope' drive that we're having for the hungry kids in our community!



INDOOR WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY 10AM

This is our 3rd indoor worship and we are currently full for the 10am service, and have all needed volunteers; THANK YOU! Please be sure to reserve your seat for next week's service by calling the church office **early in the week**, or send an email to: SOTH.office@shepherdofthehill.com with the number of people in your party.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR INDOOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS AT 10 A.M.

We need three Ushers, two Temperatures Takers, and one A/V (P.P.E. Provided) each week. Please contact church office. Without adequate volunteers we cannot have indoor worship.

ALL SAINTS DAY, NOVEMBER 1

We will be observing All Saints Day next weekend and Pastor is asking for pictures of your loved ones who have passed this last year (Nov. 1, 2019-now) so that he can include them in his services. Please submit their name and date of passing to soth.office@shepherdofthehill.com. Pastor will include all photos in a special dedication at the end of next weekend's service. Thank you!



BAGS OF HOPE

We will be collecting food for local students thru 'Bags of Hope,' a not-for-profit organization dedicated to ensuring students do not go hungry outside school. Each week a backpack filled with food is sent home with students from area schools in Lockport, Joliet, and Plainfield. Our goal is to partner with these communities to sustain and expand our efforts to provide food to students who need it most. With your help, we can reach this goal! The following are the foods that are needed: canned fruits and veggies, pasta and pasta sauce (no glass), tuna, oatmeal, soup, chili, ramen noodles, mac 'n cheese, granola bars, cereal bars, peanut butter, jelly. **Grab a bag from the bin outside of the church doors and place your donation inside.** Bags are picked up every couple of days. Thank you in advance for thinking of our local, hungry children.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Looking for a few people to join us on the next Habitat build project, which will be on Thursday, 10/29. Please contact Pastor Jon @ pastor.jon.pedersen@gmail.com.

LEARN TO PLAY THE BELLS

Have you ever thought about trying out for a bell choir? Lessons are now being offered for individuals, families (ages 5 and up), and small groups, depending on your preference. You will learn how to read music as well as play an instrument, all free of charge. It has been shown that **music can** go a long way toward enhancing a child's understanding of math. **Learning**, comprehending, and applying a beat tie closely in with division, creating fractions, and recognizing patterns. Let's make music together! Please call Ellen Schroll at 815-258-2470, or leave a message for Ellen at church (815-838-0708).



WHIRL KIDS ARE BACK

The WOW and Whirl kids have been learning about letting Jesus shine through their lives by faith practices; such as forgiveness, generosity, accepting others and myself, encouragement, giving and love. We are looking for a couple of volunteers to help us with WOW starting in January. We will continue to meet via Zoom for everyone's safety. Please give prayerful consideration to joining our fun filled WOW group. This is an "AWESOME" group to work with. Please contact Audrey Bjerum at abjerum@gmail.com or the church office, soth.office@shepherdofthehill.com.

NEWEST IN THE NEWS CONT'D.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SMALL GROUP, SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY, AND MEN'S AND WOMEN'S EVENING SMALL GROUPS

Continue to meet via Zoom. If you want to receive a Zoom invitation, email Pastor Jon, Vicar Sue, or call the church office at 815-838-0708.

BOOK STUDY ON SATURDAYS AT 9AM.

Searching for Sunday: Loving, Leaving, and Finding the Church

Arranged around the imagery of seven sacraments, *Searching for Sunday* is a book about all that is frustrating and beautiful and complicated about church. Interested in joining? Email Vicar Sue @ vicarsue@shepherdofthehill.com for more information.

SHEPHERD'S MINISTRY

Our Shepherd's Ministry continues to reach out to our shut-ins and those who have health concerns. If you would like to join our Shepherd's Ministry, email Vicar Sue vicarsue@shepherdofthehill.com, or Dawn Virva at soth.office@shepherdofthehill.com.

OFFERINGS

Thank you for your wonderful financial support, especially during this extremely challenging time. Please continue to fulfill your financial pledges.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Alcoholics Anonymous is meeting in Fellowship hall on Wednesdays; 6:30pm for new members, 7:30pm for current members. They are following the CDC Guidelines for COVID-19; social distancing and face masks are required. If you have any questions, please call Ken Franz at: 779-206-9828.

ENDOWMENT/ESTATE PLANNING

Please remember *Shepherd of the Hill* in your will. For more information, contact Timothy Urness, Regional Gift Planner for the ELCA at 331-444-3120, or tim.urness@ELCA.org.

SOTH OFFICE

The office is officially open for business from 8:30am-12:30pm, Monday—Friday.

A Prayer for America

Father in Heaven,
We, the people, in the
land of the free and
the home of the brave,
desperately need You.

Oh that we would leave our ways
of seeking to be blessed
and instead seek to bless others.
We beg for Your guidance and wisdom
for our leaders.

We ask You to protect our land
from enemies, both within and without.
And we praise you for the freedom
we have through the blood of Your Son.
May Your plan be the desire of our nation.

Amen

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OUR FAITHFUL RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

October 18, 2020

Face Book Views—108

+46 at Indoor Service

General Fund	\$7,484.00
FISH Pantry	50.00
Weekly Total	\$7,534.00

***This does not include receipts from our Simple Give online giving.**

Principal Mortgage Balance \$284,415.39
(includes our new loan of \$150,000)

Welcome
to Our Church

