

God of faithfulness, your servant Josiah re-stored your holy words to a people longing for your guidance. Help us learn your Scriptures so that we might carry your words in our hearts, in our words and in our actions. Amen.

**ENDOWMENT/
ESTATE
PLANNING**

Please remember *Shepherd of the Hill* in your will. For more information, please contact:

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**ENDOWMENT
BALANCE**

\$71,413.66



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WELCOME VISITORS!

Thank you for visiting Shepherd of the Hill. We would love to remain in contact with you. Please fill out a communication card that you will find near the Bibles and hymnals in the pews. You can then give your card to Pastor, or drop it in one of the 3 collection boxes that are hanging on the back wall (east side) in the church. Thank you!

NURSERY IS OPEN!

If you have young children that would like to attend our nursery while you enjoy church services, please locate our nursery which is in the north hallway. This is a service that we provide for all families.

**OUR FAITHFUL RESPONSE
TO GOD'S LOVE**

November 12, 2023

Attendance 127 / Online 30

General Fund	\$10,111.50
Altar Flowers	70.00
Youth	200.00
Sunday School	88.00
Misc.	250.00
Weekly Total	\$10,719.50

***This does not include receipts from our SimpleGive online giving.**

Principal Mortgage Balance:
\$218,911.34

Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church

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***Twenty Fifth
Sunday
After Pentecost***

November 18/19, 2023

Today's Altar Flowers Are For:

***In Memory of
Harry Garrett's Birthday***

By: Carol Garrett

Flower order forms are on the table in narthex; cost is \$35 per vase.



***Building a
place called
hope.***

*What does
building
homes have to
do with our
apprenticeship
to Jesus?*



IN-PERSON WORSHIP

Saturday at 5pm
Sunday at 10am

**JOIN US FOR OUR ONLINE SERVICE
ON FACEBOOK / YOUTUBE**

Available 10am on Sunday

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

See note inside bulletin

CONTINUED PRAYERS

*Healing God, we lift up those of our community that need healing and wholeness—*Les Tindle, Rick Oltmanns, Ken & Karen Franz, Ron Helfert, Jane Petschow, John Teerling, Madelene Vargo, Marge Otis, Emily Vlk, Jan Sleezer, Vinny Gincauskus, Bob Barwa, Jeannie Scalise, Bob Fanello, Wally Lewandowski, Toni Leonard, Rob Melbert, Mary Kay Matarelli, Philip Ackland, Nancy Roesing, Larry Soderstrom, Jessica Wallin, Briggs Whitehead, Mary Brauer, Donald Hoff, Ralph Heart, Lillianna Pelayo, Audrey Mormann, Michael Anderson, Lenny Coe, Ryan Irby, Leroy Foster, Rusty Jadron, Judy Rosynek, and Nancy Wilkens.



**WORLDWIDE
PRAYERS**

Those affected by wars in Ukraine, Sudan, and the Middle East

**GIVE COMFORT TO
THOSE GRIEVING
THE LOSS OF
LOVED ONES**

Deb Zenir
Donna Huhnke
Marion Skelton
LaVerne Washburn
Sarah Lohmar
Arthur Lang



SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Michael Meyers, Dakota Novander, Anthony Kopel, Kaitlin Reed, Melanie Rigoni, Nico Arellano, Katerina and Lenny Casselman, John Schneider, Tom Schneider, John B. Momich, Caitlyn Grabenhofer, Megan and Daniel Sanchez, and Jack Superczynski.



HOMEBOUND

Ron Helfert
Norma McCall
Lily Mazeika
Jan Sleezer
Janet Villacci


Save the Date

Join us for our next 24-hour celebration of Sabbath: November 18th – 5:00 pm




Relax

NO ONE should be left out in the COLD




See box in the narthex

#sharewarmth



PRAYERS

We are happy to add your prayer requests to the bulletin. Sometimes we run out of room for all of our requests. Just tell us if we need to add someone back on, and if it's a long-term prayer request.



CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

We will be closed Wednesday, 11/29 thru Friday, 12/1 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

The Lockport-Homer Area Ministerial Association presents:

Interfaith Thanksgiving Celebration

*Sunday, November 19
4:00 p.m.*

Cross of Glory Lutheran Church
14719 W. 163rd, Homer Glen

Representatives from our neighboring Islamic, Jewish, Hindu, Christian, and Native American communities will share their expressions of thanksgiving.

CHRISTMAS DECORATING

Next Sunday, 11/26, after the 10am service, we will be asking for volunteers to help decorate for Christmas. It would be nice to have someone from the past "direct traffic" so that we know where to get all the decorations, and where they are normally placed. Thanks!

COLLECTING CARDS

There are many people in our area who may not have family or friends to celebrate the holidays with or to wish them well or a speedy recovery. Our SOTH family has so much to be thankful for so we would like to gather together and write or stamp some cards to send to people in nursing, assisted living and veterans homes. **Thank you to all who so generously gave cards already!** There is a blue bin in the Narthex where you can drop off your cards with envelopes. The end date for collecting will be November 30th and on December 3rd after service we invite all who wish to stay and help write messages of love, hope and peace to join us.


OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

This Sunday, 11/19 is the last day to turn in your shoeboxes.




ELCA GOOD GIVING TREE

We will have the ELCA Good Giving Tree up next weekend (11/26).



MILNE GROVE GIVING TREE

Once again, we are working with the social workers of Milne Grove school, to provide gifts for several families. We are collecting \$25 gift cards for these families. Some suggestions on cards to buy would be: Walmart, Target, Amazon, Kohls, Meijer, Jewel and Berkots. **Return your gift card(s) to Shepherd of the Hill by Sunday, 12/10.** There is a box next to the white tree, designed specifically for your gift card donations. All of the gift cards will then be turned in to Milne Grove School in time for distribution for Christmas. Thank you in advance for thinking of a family in need this Christmas season.



HELP WANTED: AN ASSISTANT TEACHER FOR 1ST COMMUNION

We are looking for someone who feels the call to help teach First Communion. There will only be 4 classes and Pastor Jon will help. If you are interested, please talk to Pastor Jon.

Our new Tithes & Offerings Boxes



located next to each door of the sanctuary.

Thank you for allowing God to make you into generous people.

PLEASE PARDON OUR DUST


We are finished with our roof, and almost done with the renovation of the council/conference room. We still have some small cosmetic things to do, so please be patient with us while we finish up. Thank you!

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Alcoholics Anonymous is meeting in Fellowship hall on Wednesdays; 6:30pm for new members, 7:30pm for current members. Contact Ken Franz: 815-838-7657 with questions.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The church office is normally open Monday thru Friday 8:30am-2:30pm. It's a good idea to call the office to be sure the person you need is working that day.




VICAR SUE HAS BEEN CALLED!

We are happy to announce that Vicar Sue (now Pastor Sue Hoff) has accepted a call to be Pastor of Salem Lutheran church, 1724 15th Street, Moline, IL 61265. It would be awful nice to send her some congratulatory cards that she can open once she gets there! God bless Pastor Sue on her new journey!

VETERANS

There is a Veteran's Service Office located at 1463 S. Farrell Rd., Lockport, in the Lockport Township Building. The phone number is 815-838-9665, and email for Anthony Hernandez is: anthony.hernandez@illinois.gov. Please email or call to set up an appointment.



For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.

Jeremiah 29:11



If you are interested in helping out with the next Habitat Build, which will be on Saturday, 12/9, please contact Pastor Jon at 714-335-2216 or pastor.jon.pedersen@gmail.com. Or sign up on our website.



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National Alliance on Mental Illness

Mental Health Support Groups

Free & Confidential

CONNECTION SUPPORT
FOR ANYONE EXPERIENCING SYMPTOMS OF A MENTAL ILLNESS

FAMILY SUPPORT
FOR ANYONE WHO WANTS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT SUPPORTING A LOVED ONE WITH A MENTAL ILLNESS

3rd Thursday of Each Month
6:00 to 7:30 pm – SOTH

Next meeting for NAMI Thursday, December 21

Do you know someone who needs help with:

- financial assistance
- finding food
- finding low-cost medical services
- substance abuse
- coping with mental illness
- escaping domestic violence

Check out:
lockportresource.org/community-resources



"Pray continually." 1 Thessalonians 5:17