

Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**ENDOWMENT BALANCE**

Eff. 6/30/24:  
\$80,641.47



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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**

Sept. 26/27, 2024

Last Weekend 103 / Online 37

General Fund	\$2,815.00
Altar Flowers	80.00
Weekly Total	\$2,895.00

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

Principal Mortgage Balance:  
\$198,310.23

*Your giving makes a difference!*

Check out our website for further information:

**SHEPHERDOFTHEHILL.COM**

**Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church**

925. E. Ninth Street, Lockport, IL 60441

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

**Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost**

October 5/6, 2024

Today's Altar Flowers Are For:  
**In Memory of Duke Cartwright**

By: Vada Cartwright

**In Memory of Our Wedding Anniversary**

By: Chris Wallace



Let the children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.

Mark 10:14



**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**

Registration forms available in the narthex for online access. Next in-person class will be 10/13.

**CONTINUED PRAYERS**

Healing God, we lift up those of our community that need healing and wholeness—Les Tindle, Rick Oltmanns, Ken & Karen Franz, Madelene Vargo, Emily Vlk, Bob Barwa, Bob Fanello, Wally Lewandowski, Toni Leonard, Philip Ackland, Jessica Wallin, Lillianna Pelayo, Michael Anderson, Lenny Coe, Leroy Foster, Jason Haley, Brian Butler, Allan Franz, Alice Pritchett, John Yudt, Ed Hernandez, Ron Slack, Tony Flaherty, Kenneth Kuzma, Jeff Stubler, Scott Kochanski, Don Soltis, Marvin Pickering, Diane Mueller, Stan & Eleanor Rzeminski, Ashley & Devin White, Naida Magercak, Deb Franiak, Alex Govea, Gina Nordquist, Arlene Welbourne, Gary Haut, Francis Kania, Ceil Veihl, Lorraine Kalata, Tim Kirk, and David Savage.

**WORLDWIDE PRAYERS**

For those affected by wars in Ukraine, Sudan, and the Middle East. For the release of the Israeli hostages. For those affected by hurricanes and flooding.

**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, Jack and Mike Superczynski, Seth Trent, and Timea Sara.

**HOMEBOUND**

Norma McCall  
Lily Mazeika  
Janet Villacci  
Sandra Schrader

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

Pat Davis





**TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE  
IN NARTHEX**

**6th Annual SOTHtoberfest  
Sunday, October 6  
11:30 - 1:30**

*\$15 for food for adults, \$12 for children 5-10 y.o.  
Beverages (adult and otherwise) extra  
See website and narthex for tickets  
Proceeds for Youth Summer Programming*

### **PASTOR APPRECIATION**

October is the synod's designated month for celebrating and lifting up pastors and staff. Shepherd of the Hill has participated in this activity for many years acknowledging our pastor, the Minister of Music, and support staff.

We are truly blessed with faithful, dedicated, hard working and compassionate leaders. Pastor and staff are true stewards giving their time, talents and treasures. Please keep them in your prayers. You may remember them with a monetary gift and possibly a greeting card.

We would like to present Pastor Pedersen and other staff members with a monetary gift on the last Sunday of October and acknowledge their varied contributions to SOTH. Please submit your donations to church from now until October 20th by writing 'appreciation' on the notation line of your check or cash in an envelope with the same notation.

Let's share our appreciation in October!

Respectfully submitted,  
The Mutual Ministry Committee of Pastor Pedersen  
Nell Pieper, Tina Baker, Karen Franz, Susan Mead  
and Jerry Liston

### **New Bible Study Opportunity**

*Led by  
Mike Bjerum*

*Starting Sunday,  
September 29<sup>th</sup> at  
8:45 a.m.*

*Sign up in narthex if  
you want a book.*



LIFE LESSONS from  
**LUKE**



## **Sign up in narthex**



**Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>  
4:00-7:00  
SOTH & Grand Dental  
Parking Lots**

*Shepherd of the Hill &  
David Rhodes Present:*

*1920 Wegener & Boese silent film  
classic:*

### **The Golem**

*Live film organ accompaniment by  
David Rhodes*

**Sat., October 19<sup>th</sup>  
7:30 p.m.  
SOTH**

*\$10 suggested donation at door.  
Proceeds for Youth Ministry*



**Our next Habitat  
for Humanity  
Build will be  
Saturday, Oct. 26**

**See SOTH  
website or Pr. Jon  
to sign up.**



### **Mental Health Support Groups**

**Free & Confidential**

**CONNECTION SUPPORT  
FOR ANY ONE EXPERIENCING  
SYMPTOMS OF A MENTAL ILLNESS**

**FAMILY SUPPORT  
FOR ANYONE WHO WANTSTO 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 is Thursday, 10/17**



**Join us for SOTH Kid's Club,  
our online kid's ministry for ages 4-11, starring  
the Whirl Kids.**

**Join us online every week and in-person  
the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays during worship.**

**October 13 – next in-person event**

**Contact church office (815-838-0708) or Audrey  
Bjerum (abjerum@gmail.com) to sign up**



**Talk to Pastor Jon  
or call the church  
office at  
815-838-0708**

**New Members  
Classes:**

**Join us as Partners of  
Mission and Ministry**

**Starting Soon  
Four-Six Weeks**

### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

The office is normally open *Tues-  
day 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. **The church office is closed  
on Mondays.**

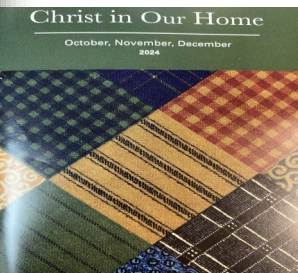


**Do you know someone who needs  
help with:**

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



**Check out:  
lockportresource.org/community-resources**



**Pick up your copy of  
Christ in Our Home.  
The Fall version of a  
daily devotion.  
Available in the  
narthex.**

### **BAGS OF HOPE**

**Thank you for thinking of  
our local, hungry chil-  
dren. The foods that are  
needed are: canned fruits  
and veggies, pasta and  
pasta sauce (no glass),  
tuna, oatmeal, soup, chili,  
ramen noodles, mac 'n  
cheese, granola bars, ce-  
real bars, peanut butter,  
jelly. Bags are picked up  
every couple of days.  
Please drop off in the  
black bin that is outside  
the middle church  
doors.**