

Gracious Father, we pray for your holy catholic church. Fill it with all truth and peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where anything in it is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in need, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever Amen.

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**ENDOWMENT
BALANCE**

Eff. 8/19/25:

\$90,703.91



**CONGREGATION
COUNCIL**

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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 visit our nursery which is in the north hallway.

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

October 18/19, 2025

Attendance—125 / Online—27

General Fund	\$4,986.55
Memorial Fund	1,230.00
Youth	725.00
Appreciation	505.00
Education Materials	10.00

Weekly Offering ***\$7,456.55**

Treasurer's Report

Year to Date as of 8/31/25

Income:	\$340,225.53
Expenses:	\$316,851.82
Net Income:	<u>\$ 23,373.71</u>

Principal Mortgage Balance:
\$172,377.44

Today's Scripture Readings:
John 8:31-36 pg. 871
in your Pew Bible

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*Called and Equipped by the Holy Spirit To Be Sent Out
as the Heart and Hands of Christ*

Today's Altar Flowers Are For:
***In Loving Memory of Bill,
Honoring his & Joan's Anniversary***

By: Vada Cartwright

In Memory of my Husband

By: Marlene Kaiser



IN-PERSON WORSHIP

Saturday at 5pm

Sunday at 10am

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

Available starting at 10am on Sunday

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Online has begun, in person October 26

*Reformation
Day*

*"So, if the Son
makes you free,
you will be free
indeed."*

John 8:36

CONTINUED PRAYERS *Healing God, we lift up those of our
community that need healing and wholeness—*

Les Tindle, Emily Vlk, Bob Barwa, Bob Fanello, Wally Lewandowski, Toni Leonard, Philip Ackland, Lillianna Pelayo, Michael Anderson, Lenny Coe, Leroy Foster, Jason Haley, Alice Pritchett, Ron Slack, Tony Flaherty, Jeff Stubler, Don Soltis, Marvin Pickering, Francis Kania, Dylan Krestan, Blanche Bolton, Beverly Aiwohi, Emily Heintzelman, Karlynn Anderson, Carol Mattes, Glen Kleuch, Danny McKian, Ed & Tina Kosobucki, Robert Kinder, Karen Pedigo, Donato Munoz, Hayden Anderson, Hayden Cole, Paul Dordal, Ginger Kelm, Baby Fitzpatrick, Kevin Helfert, Dan Koziel, Dave McGuire, Sandy Michaelsen, Courtney Cimo & Baby, Carol McHugh, and Christine Weinberger.

**WORLDWIDE
PRAYERS**

Those affected by wars in Ukraine, Sudan, Congo, Gaza, and the Middle East. All of those affected by gun violence.

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Dakota Novander, Anthony Kopel, Kaitlin Reed, Melanie Rigoni, Nico Arellano, John B. Momich, Caitlyn Grabenhofer, Megan and Daniel Sanchez, Jack and Mike Superczynski, Seth Trent, Timea Sara, Anthony Martino, Eric John Stepek, Bradley Poerio, Nathan Snyder, Alphonso Huerta, Jr., Cobi and Anthuan Valentin.

HOMEBOUND

Lily Mazeika
Janet Villacci
Sandra Schrader
Wally
Lewandowski
Marge Novander
Donna Anderson

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

Terry Warsaw
Robert Redig
Sara Christiansen
Virgil Brewick
Norma McCall

PASTOR *Appreciation*

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP!

The walls are sheathed, and roof trusses are placed for the SOTH-related home in Fairmont. We will wait for the roof to be finished before our next volunteer date. Talk to Pastor Jon if you would like to help.



NAMI | **Will-Grundy**
National Alliance on Mental Illness

Mental Health Support Groups
Free & Confidential
CONNECTION SUPPORT
FOR ANY ONE 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

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

HELP Wanted

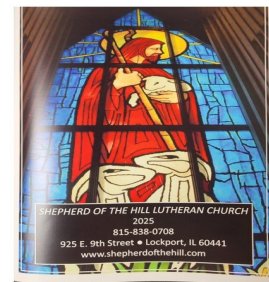
We are in need of additional babysitters for the church nursery on Sundays. Call church office or talk to Pastor Jon.

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 2nd & 4th Sundays during worship.
November 9th – next in-person event
Contact church office (815-838-0708) or Audrey Bjerum (abjerum@gmail.com) to sign up

OUR NEW DIRECTORIES ARE HERE!

Pick up yours in the narthex today.

We are asking a contribution of \$10 to cover the cost of printing.



MILNE GROVE COMMUNITY GIVING TREE

Coming soon! We are working with the social workers of the Milne Grove school to provide gift cards for some of their needy families. Watch this space for further updates.



Save the Date

EAT, DRINK & BE THANKFUL
you are invited to a
Friendsgiving
POTLUCK
**Sunday,
November
16th
11:30—2:00**

Thank you all for your participation and your support!

Youth ministry made more than \$700.

Thank you, David, for being incredible!!!



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



Shoeboxes will be out next week. We will have 35 shoeboxes available for you to fill for a less fortunate far-away child this Christmas. They will need to be turned in by Sunday, November 16.



Thank you to all who participated!

DOMINOES STARTS UP AGAIN!

We will start playing dominoes again starting **Thursday, November 6th at 9:30am.** Please come and have some fun with us! Bring a snack to share if you'd like.

GIVE THROUGH ZELLE!

How to Use Zelle:
Enroll: Simply register your email or U.S. mobile number through your banking app.

1. **Send Money:** Enter the recipient's email: soth.finsec@shepherdofthehill.com
2. choose the amount, and hit send!

There is NO COST to using Zelle!

- **Speed:** Transfers are typically completed in minutes.
- **Convenience:** No need for cash or checks—just use your bank's app.

ESTATE PLANNING

Are you leaving a legacy of "red tape" for your heirs? A legal will drawn by your attorney will cut out the "red tape" and accomplish what you want to happen following your earthly life.