

O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our savior and Lord.

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

November 8/9, 2025

Attendance—156 / Online—32

General Fund	\$20,858.00
Altar	40.00
Music/Bells	220.00
Loose Offering	80.00

Weekly Offering \$21,198.00

Mortgage Balance: \$170,377.40

**Does not include Zelle*

**Treasurer's Report
Year to Date as of 9/31/25**

Income:	\$373,713.33
Expenses:	\$360,439.34
Net Income:	\$ 13,273.99

SimpleGive Payments

Your giving makes a difference!

Today's Scripture Readings:

***Luke 20:27-40, pg. 855
in your Pew Bible***

Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church

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

**23rd Sunday
After
Pentecost**

November 15/16,

Today's Altar Flowers Are For:

Honoring Granddaughter Kennedy Ann Zohrer

By: Dave and Mary Helfert

Order forms~on table in narthex~cost~\$40 per vase~we have 2 vases



IN-PERSON WORSHIP

Saturday at 5pm

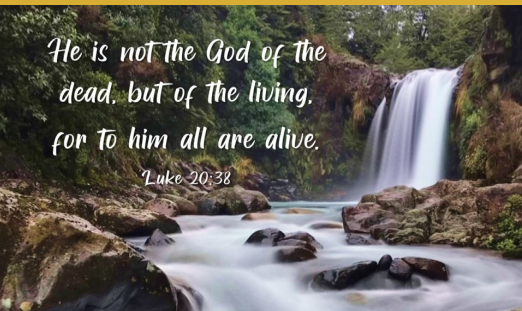
Sunday at 10am

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

Available starting at 10am on Sunday

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Online has begun, next in person November 23



*He is not the God of the
dead, but of the living.
for to him all are alive.*

Luke 20:38

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, Paul Dordal, Baby Fitzpatrick, Kevin Helfert, Dan Koziel, Dave McGuire, Sandy Michaelsen, Courtney Cimo & Baby, Christine Weinberger, Don Clayton, and Lois Gatlin.

**WORLDWIDE
PRAYERS**

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

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**

Terri Warsaw
Carol McHugh
Don Wonder

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**ENDOWMENT
BALANCE**

As of 9/30/25:

\$95,950.43

**CONGREGATION
COUNCIL**

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GROCERIES FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

Thank you to everyone who has so generously donated groceries for our neighbors in need. This continues to be a difficult time for many, and your kindness is making a real difference. Each day, families come to pick up food and express heart-felt gratitude for the generosity of our congregation. Let us remain thankful for the blessings we have and continue to share them with others. We are also accepting \$10 or larger gift cards to local grocery stores, and can be dropped off in the office or put in an envelope and stick it in one of the offering boxes.

2nd Annual WINTER COAT DRIVE FOR HOMELESS VETERANS NOVEMBER 1 – 30 DONATIONS ACCEPTED NEW OR GENTLY USED WINTER COATS FOR MEN, WOMEN, AND CHILDREN



PROJECT FIRE BUDDIES

Place your gently used donations in the box that's in the narthex. Thank you for thinking of our homeless veterans.

The Lockport-Homer Area Ministerial Association presents:

An Ecumenical Thanksgiving Celebration

Sunday, November 23
4:00 p.m.

Cross of Glory Lutheran
14719 W 163rd St, Homer Glen

Offering will go to Cross of Glory's Angel Tree for the benefit of children in the DCFS system

GIVE THE GIFT OF BLOOD THIS WINTER



SHEPHERD OF THE HILL

APPOINTMENTS
PREFERRED/WALK INS
WELCOME

Sunday
December 7
9:00 – 1:00

Please book an
appointment on-line using
the QR Code in the Yellow
Pages

DOMINOES HAS STARTED UP AGAIN!

Join us for a fun morning of dominoes every Thursday at 9:30am. No experience is needed—we'll be happy to teach you how to play. Bring a snack to share if you'd like, and come enjoy good company and laughter.



EAT, DRINK & BE THANKFUL
you are invited to a
Friendsgiving
POTLUCK

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This Sunday
11:30—2:00

You are all
invited. There
will be more
than enough
food to share!

MILNE GROVE COMMUNITY GIVING TREE

Coming the weekend of 11/22-23. 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.



ELCA GOOD GIVING TREE

We will have the ELCA Good Giving Tree up soon. Watch this space for further updates.



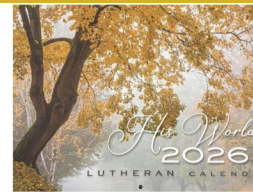
Boxes due by
this Sunday,
November
16th



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 23th – next in-person event

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



Pick up your new 2026 Calendar,
available in Narthex

Pick up your
2025 Advent
Devotional in
the Narthex.
Large print
copies are
available



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We continue to
move forward on
the SOTH-related
home in Fairmont.
The next building
day is TBD. Talk to
Pastor Jon if you
would like to be
included on the
information email.



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

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

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.

FOR 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.

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.