

O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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\$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**

May 10/11, 2025

Attendance—155 / Online—47

General Fund      \$8,188.00

Weekly Total      \*\$8,188.00

Principal Mortgage Balance:  
\$182,275.96

*\*Does not include Zelle or SimpleGive Payments*

*Your giving makes a difference!*

Today's Scripture Readings are: Revelation 21:1-6 (Pg. 1007) & John 13:31-35 (pg. 877) in your Pew Bible.

***Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church***

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

Today's Altar Flowers Are For:

***Honoring Terry & Carole Ziemke***

By: Mary Brauer

***In Honor of John & Edna Nickel & Kathleen Bjerum***

By: Mike & Audrey Bjerum

*Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away . . .*

Revelation 21:1



**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**

On hiatus until Fall



***5th Sunday Of Easter***

May 17/18, 2025

**CONTINUED PRAYERS** *Healing God, we lift up those of our community that need healing and wholeness—*Les Tindle, 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, Ron Slack, Tony Flaherty, Jeff Stubler, Don Soltis, Marvin Pickering, Naida Magercak, Gina Nordquist, Francis Kania, Paul England, Karen Bremmer, Leonard Krch, Dylan Krestan, Blanche Bolton, Beverly Aiwohi, Terry Warsaw, Troy Bell, Mary Brauer, Emily Heintzelman, Karlynn Anderson, Carol Mattes, Glen Kleuch, Phyllis Piantek, Ann Greenfield, Danny McKian, and Cindy Sorensen.

**WORLDWIDE PRAYERS**

Those affected by wars in Ukraine, Sudan, Congo, India, Pakistan and the Middle East. For the release of all the Israeli hostages.

**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, Timea Sara, Anthony Martino, Eric John Stepek, Alphonso Huerta, Jr., Bradley Poerio, Nathan Snyder, and Cobi Valentin.

**HOMEBOUND**

Norma McCall  
Lily Mazeika  
Janet Villacci  
Sandra Schrader  
Wally Lewandowski

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

Dawn Deaton  
Mary Farrell

**CALLING ALL TEACHERS, PARENTS, CAREGIVERS AND CONGREGATION MEMBERS!**

As previously announced, our Preschool will be closing its doors on May 22nd. While the staff is cleaning out the area, we welcome teachers, parents, caregivers and congregation members to come and search for some treasures from the Preschool closets. All of these treasures will be on display Tuesday, 5/27, 9am-4pm, Wednesday, 5/28, 9am-1pm, and Thursday, 5/29 from 9am-4pm.



**Shepherd of the Hill Preschool Celebration**

*Sunday, June 1  
11:15 – 1:00*

The church will provide chicken, drinks, games and outdoor fun! We are asking you to bring the sides! Sign up in narthex, using QR code, or calling church office.



Register here by May 24th!



Confirmation has concluded for the summer. A huge thank you to Heidi Habas for all of her work and love.

**Shepherd of the Hill VBS**

*July 28-31*



**Save the Date**

**LOVE GIFTS FOR PRESCHOOL STAFF**

We are collecting love gifts to show our appreciation to our Preschool staff for all their years of service! You can contribute via Zelle, cash, or check. Please be sure to include "Preschool Staff" in the memo section of your check or Zelle payment. If you're giving cash, just attach a note indicating it's for the Preschool staff. Thank you for helping us celebrate our wonderful team!

**We want to celebrate your graduate! (8<sup>th</sup> grade, high school, college, or post-grad.)** Please send us their picture by May 29 for our musical collage.

Email: soth.office@shepherdofthehill.com or text a picture to Pastor Jon – 714-335-2216



**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](http://lockportresource.org/community-resources)

**GIVE THROUGH ZELLE!**

We are excited to announce that we now accept payments for offerings, flowers, most anything, through Zelle! This fast and secure service allows you to send and receive money directly from your bank account, making transactions easier than ever. **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](mailto:soth.finsec@shepherdofthehill.com)), choose the amount, and hit send!

**Why Choose Zelle?**

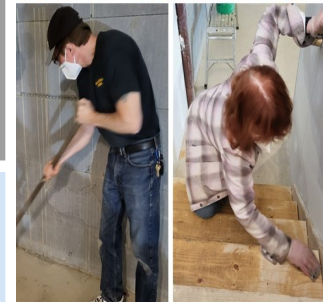
- **Speed:** Transfers are typically completed in minutes.
- **Convenience:** No need for cash or checks—just use your bank's app.

**Free to Use:** There are no fees for sending or receiving money with Zelle.

**Interested in Helping with Worship Services?**

*We are looking for volunteers to read, usher, help serve communion, help with PowerPoint slides, and be Assisting Minister. Training will be provided.*

*See SOTH website ([shepherdofthehill.com](http://shepherdofthehill.com)) or call SOTH office to sign up.*



Thank you to all who participated in last Saturday's Habitat for Humanity build. Next build date TBD.



**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 is Thursday, 6/19**

**DOMINOES**

Dominoes, which is normally on Tuesday mornings at 9:30am, will be on hiatus until the Fall.

*"Pray continually." 1 Thessalonians 5:17*