O God, the Father of our Lord, Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

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# ENDOWMENT BALANCE

\$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 visit 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

June 28/29, 2025 Attendance—95 / Online—40

 General Fund
 \$9,197.00

 Altar Guild
 80.00

Weekly Total \$9,277.00

Principal Mortgage Balance: \$178,336.80

\*Does not include Zelle or SimpleGive Payments

Your giving makes a difference!

# **Today's Scripture Reading:**

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 found on page 844 in your Pew Bible

# Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church

925. E. Ninth Street, Lockport, IL 60441

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4th Sunday After Pentecost

July 6, 2025

Today's Altar Flowers Are For:

Celebrating Summer
By: Marlene Kaiser
Celebrating Family Birthdays

By: Vada Cartwright



"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Luke 10:2

# **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**

On hiatus until Fall

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, Alice Pritchett, Ron Slack, Tony Flaherty, Jeff Stubler, Don Soltis, Marvin Pickering, Naida Magercak, Francis Kania, Paul England, Karen Bremmer, Dylan Krestan, Blanche Bolton, Beverly Aiwohi, Terry Warsaw, Troy Bell, Emily Heintzelman, Karlynn Anderson, Carol Mattes, Glen Kleuch, Phyllis Piantek, Danny McKian, Ed Kosobucki, Hulon Bush, Eva Hauge, Robert Kinder, Karen Pedigo, Andrew Alberico, and Alexandra Fisher.

# WORLDWIDE PRAYERS

Those affected by wars in Ukraine, Sudan, Congo, and the Middle East. For the release of all the Israeli hostages. Those suffering from heat and storms.

# 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, Cobi and Anthuan Valentin.

# HOMEBOUND

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

# GIVE COMFORT TO THOSE GRIEVING THE LOSS OF LOVED ONES

Ruyter Family Shirley Brier

# **Shepherd of the Hill VBS**



July 28 -August 1

Registration forms are in narthex.

# Volunteers Needed for **Funeral Services**

We are looking for extra hands to assist during funeral services. If you are able, please consider helping by baking treats or preparing and maintaining fresh coffee throughout the visitation. To learn more or to volunteer. please contact Dawn at the office (815-838-0708) or soth.office@shepherdofthehill.com.

# VBS AMAZON WISH LIST

Our VBS is just around the corner, and we need YOUR help to make it a memorable week for the children in our community! We're collecting supplies and snacks to help bring this year's VBS theme to life—and your support can make all the difference!



# How you can help:

- Volunteer
- Scan the OR Code to view our Amazon Wish List
- Monetary donations are always welcome

# **EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS!**

On Sunday, July 20th, 7 of our youth members along with 2 adult chaperones will be heading out to Pewaukee, Wisconsin for our annual *Group Misson Trip* work camp. Our week will be filled with serving the community through helpful labor, home repairs and devotions. The organizers also put together a large community gift from all of the participating churches. This year, they are supporting a food drive of non-perishable items. Because our 2 vehicles will be packed with workers, luggage and tools, we have chosen to present them with a monetary gift that they can then use to purchase food items. Please consider a small donation that we can bring on behalf of Shepherd of the Hill Church. Thank You!

Be sure that your estate planning documents are properly prepared. A homemade will "might" work, but unless it is properly written it might cause unnecessary expenses and delays—and worst of all, it might not accomplish what you want to happen. The writing of your will is a job for which you need your attorney's assistance.

# 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





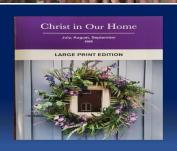




Thank you to

participated in the last Habitat for Humanity

Next build date TBD.



Pick up your copy of Christ in Our Home a daily devotion for July - Sept. Available in the narthex.

# **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.

### **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
- 2. 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.

# **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

The office is normally open Tuesday 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.



# **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, 7/17