

Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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 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**

July 26/27, 2025

Attendance—126 / Online—31

General Fund	\$1,760.00
Altar Flowers	40.00
Music/Bells	625.00
VBS	65.00
Weekly Offering	\$2,490.00

Treasurer's Report (as of 5/31/25):

Income: \$216,573.06

Expenses: \$198,859.12

Net Income: \$ 17,713.94

Principal Mortgage Balance:

\$176,357.12

*\*Does not include Zelle or  
SimpleGive Payments*

*Your giving makes a difference!*

**Today's Scripture Reading:**

**Luke 12:13-23, found on page  
847 in your Pew Bible**

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

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**8th Sunday  
After Pentecost**

August 2/3, 2025

Today's Altar Flowers Are For:  
***Honoring Marianne's Birthday***  
By: Gary Wintersteen  
***Honoring all of our VBS Volunteers & Attendees***  
By: Altar Guild



*The Right Kind of  
Riches — Luke 12:13-24*

**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, Emily Vlk, Bob Barwa, Bob Fanello, Wally Lewandowski, Toni Leonard, Philip Ackland, Jessica Wallin, Lillianna Pelayo, Michael Anderson, Lenny Coe, Leroy Foster, Jason Haley, Alice Pritchett, Ron Slack, Tony Flaherty, Jeff Stubler, Don Soltis, Marvin Pickering, Naida Magercak, Francis Kania, Paul England, Dylan Krestan, Blanche Bolton, Beverly Aiwohi, Terry Warsaw, Emily Heintzelman, Karlynn Anderson, Carol Mattes, Glen Kleuch, Phyllis Piantek, Danny McKian, Ed & Tina Kosobucki, Eva Hauge, Robert Kinder, Karen Pedigo, Andrew Alberico, Alexandra Fisher, and Donato Munoz.

**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

**WORLDWIDE  
PRAYERS**

Those affected by wars in Ukraine, Sudan, Congo, and the Middle East. For the release of all the Israeli hostages. All of those affected by weather related tragedies.

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

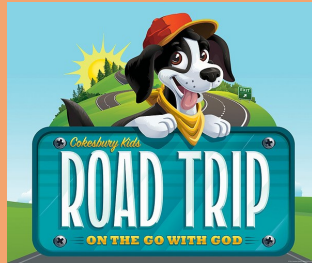
Sister Pat Murphy  
Jim Leno  
Bill Butler

## VBS VOLUNTEER THANK YOU

We give thanks to God for all of the wonderful volunteers who helped 63 children experience the love of God. Thank you all for your time, talent, leadership, patience, and love during our Vacation Bible School! We are so fortunate to have our fearless leader, **Kris Glowczynski**, direct our program once again.

### Thank you to:

Alberico, Georgia  
Bialy, Lynn  
Bobek, Ava  
Caneva, Raquel  
Carpenter, Janice & Shelby  
Carroll, Janet,  
Abigail, Max,  
Charlotte &  
Charlotte's Friend, Maddie  
Cipolla, Angie  
Conway, Jordan  
Franiak, Deb  
Garyhart, Abbie, Katie, & Katie's friend, Alyssa  
Glowczynski, AnnaBeth  
Grice, Abby  
Klauser, Anja  
Mack, Kirsten, Abigail, Sarah, Meghan, & Emily  
Martling, Diane  
McManis, Lisa & Haley & Sabryna  
Pedigo, Holly  
Pintoy, Karen & Jen  
(who made the majority of the decorations)  
Rauworth, Bryan  
Sluzewicz, Ella  
Soderstrom, Hailey  
Stremplewski, Tara  
Superczynski, Marco  
Taphorn, Anderson, Christian  
Thompson, Erica  
Welbourne, Arlene  
Wintersteen, Marianne  
Yudt, David, & Shawn  
Zacharias, Cheryl  
Zimmerman, Isaac



**A Huge "Thank You" to Dana Superczynski & Jeff Brown for leading this year's Group High School Mission Trip.**

**Do you want to be better informed about what is happening in and around Shepherd of the Hill?**

Use our website to sign up for our weekly emailing to receive summaries of the upcoming sermon and events.

Go to [shepherdofthehill.com](http://shepherdofthehill.com) and scroll to the bottom of the home page.

## **FISH PANTRY DONATIONS**

Please bring your donations inside the church and place in red wagon for our hungry neighbors. Questions? Call the church office 815-838-0708.

## **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.



*Giving to your church through your will is a good way to continue your support of your church beyond your lifetime. When your estate plan is prepared, consider including plans for a gift to your church.*

## **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)
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.



## **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**

**Next meeting for NAMI is Thursday, 8/21**

**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)

## **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](mailto:anthony.hernandez@illinois.gov). Please email or call to set up an appointment.



**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.**

**To sign up: see SOTH website ([shepherdofthehill.com](http://shepherdofthehill.com)) or sign-up sheet in narthex.**