O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, 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

August 16/17, 2025

Attendance—120 / Online—48

General Fund \$4,324.00 Property Projects 494.97

Weekly Offering \$4,818.97

Treasurer's Report (as of 6/30/25):

Income: \$272,908.30 Expenses: \$235,227.67

Net Income: \$ 37.680.63

Principal Mortgage Balance: \$176.357.12

*Does not include Zelle or SimpleGive Payments

Your giving makes a difference!

Today's Scripture Reading: Luke 13:10-17, found on page 848 of your Pew Bible.

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11th Sunday After Pentecost

August 23/24, 2025

Today's Altar Flowers Are For:

Honoring Lacie Cipolla's 40th Birthday Remembering the Anniversary of Angela & Salvatore Cipolla

By: Tino Cipolla



When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment."

Luke 13:12



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 starts Sept. 14: in person starts Sept. 28

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, Dylan Krestan, Blanche Bolton, Beverly Aiwohi, Terry Warsaw, Emily Heintzelman, Karlynn Anderson, Carol Mattes, Glen Kleuch, Danny McKian, Ed & Tina Kosobucki, Eva Hauge, Robert Kinder, Karen Pedigo, Donato Munoz, Viola Mueller, and Norma McCall.

<u>WORLDWIDE</u> <u>PRAYERS</u>

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.

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, 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

Philomena Piantek



SAVE THE DATE! SUNDAY, OCT. 5



SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 4-6PM

DOMINOES

Are you interested in playing Dominoes? Would you like to bring a friend who would like to learn how to play? If you are, please call Dawn at the church (815-838-0708) and let us know. Let us also know what day works for you.



Sunday, September 21

11:00 - 2:00

Save the Date!

Our thanks to Jim Zacharias for preaching last week and to Dave Helfert and Nell Pieper for leading worship.

You are blessings for us.

OKTOBERFEST BASKETS

We were thrilled with the amazing response to our basket raffles at the previous year's Oktoberfest, so we're excited to bring them back again this year! We're looking for raffle baskets with a variety of fun themes—such as movie night, gardening, food lovers, coffee time, football season, and more. Baskets can be dropped off at the church office during regular business hours anytime between now and Friday, October 3. Thank you for your continued generosity and support!

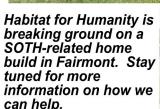
Do you want to be better informed about what is happening in and around **Shepherd of the Hill?**

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

Go to shepherdofthehill.com and scroll to the bottom of the home page.

> "Pray continually." 1 Thessalonians 5:17







for Humanity

Preparing an estate plan is good Christian stewardship—saying thanks to God, expressing your love and concern for family, and showing charity toward others.









Our next Habitat for Humanity Build will be Saturday, Sept.

See SOTH website or Pr. Jon to sign up

PRAYERS

We are happy to add your prayer requests to the bulletin. Sometimes we run out of room for all of our requests. Just tell us if we need to add someone back on, and if it's a long -term prayer request.



Mental Health Support Groups Free & Confidential

CONNECTION 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, 9/18

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

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) or sign-up sheet in narthex.

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.