

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus, Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

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ENDOWMENT BALANCE

As of 5/31/26:
\$131,668.44

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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. **We have pagers for emergency notification of parents, if necessary.**

OUR FAITHFUL RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

June 27/28, 2026

Attendance—127 / Online—129

General Fund	\$10,065.00
Alter	155.00
Project Fund	175.00
Building Usage	80.00
Weekly Offering	*10,475.00

**Treasurer's Report
 2026 Year to Date as 05/31/26:**

Income:	\$208,594.67
Expenses:	<u>\$203,568.21</u>
Net Income:	\$ 5,026.46

**Does not include Zelle payments
 Mortgage Balance: \$156,184.44
 Your giving makes a difference!*

*Today's Scripture Reading(s):
Zechariah 9:9-12, pg. 773
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30, pg. 792
 In your pew Bible*

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

**Sixth Sunday
 After Pentecost**

July 4/5, 2026

Today's Altar Flowers Are For:

In Memory of My Dad, Harry Haddix

By: Deb Franiak

Honoring our 60th Wedding Anniversary

By: Tom & Marilee Gustafson



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

In-person on hiatus until Fall



Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

CONTINUED PRAYERS *Healing God, we lift up those of our community that need healing and wholeness—*

Emily, Carly & Kim Vlk, Bob Barwa, Wally Lewandowski, Toni Leonard, Lillianna Pelayo, Michael Anderson, Lenny Coe, Leroy Foster, Jason Haley, Alice Pritchett, Tony Flaherty, Don Soltis, Marvin Pickering, Dylan Krestan, Beverly Aiwohi, Glen Kleuch, Karlynn Anderson, Robert Kinder, Don Clayton, Barry Anderson, Ron Slack, Nancy Naylor, Mayson Gibson, Linda Hamilton, Rachel Tornaga, Missy Lieser, Joseph Straub, Jamie Novak, Christian Downen, Hans Kishel, Francis Feely, George Rohrer, Chad Roeske, Nancy Rohde, Kevin Kreiger, Alicia Schidzikowski, Mike Bjerum, Nan Eckley, Gretchen McDowell, Barbara McGann, Sandy Wilke, Karen Franz, Debbi Callahan, Carole Garrett and Randy Erley.

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., Matt Olsen, Cobi and Anthuan Valentin, Gabe Junquera, and Eric Hill.

HOMEBOUND

Lily Mazeika
 Janet Villacci
 Sandra Shrader
 Wally
 Lewandowski
 Marge Novander
 Donna Anderson

WORLDWIDE PRAYERS

Those affected by wars in Ukraine, Sudan, Congo, Gaza, Iran and the rest of the Middle East, and those affected by recent storms, and those affected by the 2 earthquakes.

GIVE COMFORT TO THOSE GRIEVING THE LOSS OF LOVED ONES

Sean Johnson
 Ken Sandberg
 Wilber Garrett



EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS!

On Sunday, July 12, seven youth members along with 2 adult chaperones will be headed out to Wausau, Wisconsin for our annual *Group Mission 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!**

GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION

Gluten-free communion is available. Pre-filled, sealed communion cups with wafers are on the bulletin table for those who wish to avoid any contact. Gluten-free wafers are also available at the altar upon request; however, for complete avoidance of cross-contamination, please use the prepackaged cups.



SOTH VBS

Come Join the Fun!

July 27-31
9:00 a.m. to Noon
4 yrs old - 5th grade.
\$25 registration.



Sign up in Narthex or use QR code.



THANK YOU

Nancy Naylor and Marianne Wintersteen extend their heartfelt thanks to everyone who has supported them during their recovery. They are deeply grateful for the prayers, kind notes, meals, gifts, and encouragement they have received.

Nancy's journey has been long and challenging, and she truly believes she could not have made it through without such overwhelming support. Marianne is also making steady, if slow, progress and remains hopeful as she continues toward a life free from hip pain.

An ABBA Candlelight Experience
Shepherd of the Hill
Friday, August 14, 6:30p, & 8:30pm
Tickets \$27.48—\$77



Go to [Lumos Appimage.png](#)
Look for shows in United States
Search for **ABBA** music
Find Shepherd of the Hill, August 14
Pick your seats (Gold seats sold out)



The SOTH-related Lockport Community Resource Roundtable continues to serve Lockport in 2026. Initiated in 2022, the gatherings take place three times per year. In the Roundtable meetings we learn about resources that address food insufficiency, housing, domestic abuse, mental health, among others. See lockportresource.org/community-resources for more info.



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 will be on July 16

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

ESTATE PLANNING

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 expense 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.

Our SOTH-related home in Fairmont is nearly finished, and a family has been chosen. There are two more homes entering their final stages and could use our help. Join us. Talk to Pastor Jon if you would like to be included on the information email.



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:** Usually completed in minutes.
- **Convenience:** just use your bank's app.

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.

