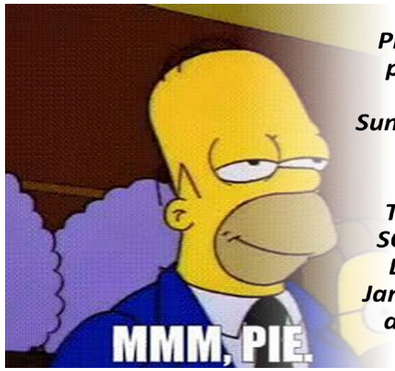
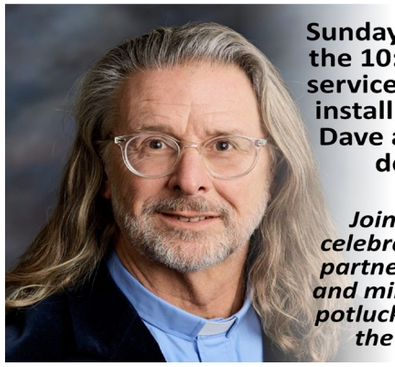
THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who generously donated toward the new landscaping (and the design) at the front of the church. Your gifts have helped create a beautiful, welcoming entrance for all. We hope you enjoy the transformation! Thank you to Jerry Liston for facilitating this project.



Pick up your pies today, after the Sunday worship service.

Thank you, SOTH youth, Dana, and Janet! You are awesome!!



Sunday, Dec. 6th at the 10:00 worship service, we will be installing Deacon Dave as our new deacon.

Join us as we celebrate our new partner in mission and ministry with a potluck. Sign up in the narthex.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

The church office will be closed Wednesday 11/25 – Friday, 11/27 for the Thanksgiving holiday, but we will be open on Monday, 11/23, and Tuesday, 11/24.





Community Giving Tree for D91

SOTH is providing Xmas gifts for several Milne Grove families.

Want to help?
Grab an envelope from our giving tree. More info next week.

Gifts due by December 13, 2026



Please help us put up our Christmas decorations after the Sunday, November 29th 10:00 a.m.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Today is the last day to turn in your filled shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. The boxes will be delivered to the processing area tomorrow.

ELCA GOOD GIVING TREE

We will have the ELCA Good Giving Tree up soon. Watch this space for further updates.

LOOKING FOR CLOTH BAGS

Do you have cloth bags or sacks (not plastic recyclable bags) you no longer need? The FISH Pantry could use them to help guests carry heavy canned goods home. Please place your donated bags in the collection bin in the narthex. Thank you for your generosity!

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

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Check out:
lockportresource.org/community-resources

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.

NAMI Will-Grundy
National Alliance on Mental Illness

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 every month, 6-7:30pm at Shepherd of the Hill. Next meeting 12/17.

Trusts allow you to make a gift to your church in the future. You may set up the trust now and keep the income for yourself or other beneficiaries as long as you choose, or for life. The church will receive the property after that. There are special tax benefits for these kinds of trusts.

Like to swing a hammer? Like to make a difference? There are two Habitat homes in Fairmont trying to get under roof before Winter. Join us. Talk to Pastor Jon if you would like to be included on the information email.



Will County Habitat for Humanity





Starting Nov. 15, we will be collecting winter coats, gloves, hats, mittens, scarves for MorningStar Mission.



A **2:30pm** show has been added to the lineup! Go to the ***Lumos*** website for addt'l info.

2027 CALENDARS ARE OUT

Pick up your new 2027 calendar, available in the Narthex.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The office is normally open **Tuesday thru Friday 8:30am-2:30pm**. Call the office to be sure the person you need is working that day.

O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through 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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ENDOWMENT BALANCE

As of 6/30/26:
$133,308.96

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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 mailboxes 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

November 14/15, 2026

Attendance—176 / Online—39

General Fund	$19,524.00
Property Projects	7,413.00
FISH Pantry	100.00
Youth	100.00
Building Usage	80.00
Weekly Offering	***$27,351.00**

**Does not include Zelle payments*

Prayer Chapel to date $41,000.00

Treasurer's Report

Fiscal 2026 Year to Date as of Aug. 31:

Income: $451,319
Expenses: $459,132
Net Income -$ 7,813

Mortgage Balance: $145,837.13

Your giving makes a difference!

Today's Scripture Reading(s):
Matthew 25:31-46, pg. 807
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

Christ the King Sunday

November 22, 2026

Today's Altar Flowers Are Given For:

Remembering my Dad, Rick Oltmanns
By: Merri Hauter

Celebrating our 50th Wedding Anniversary
By: Sandy Porter

Order forms ~ on table in narthex ~ cost ~ $40 per vase ~ there are 2 vases





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 meets next December 6

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR HEALING

God, we lift up those of our community that need healing and wholeness—Emily Vlk, Bob Barwa, Wally Lewandowski, Toni Leonard, Lillianna Pelayo, Michael Anderson, Lenny Coe, Leroy Foster, Jason Haley, Alice Pritchett, Don Soltis, Marvin Pickering, Dylan Krestan, Glen Kleuch, Robert Kinder, Don Clayton, Ron Slack, Mayson Gibson, Linda Hamilton, Rachel Tornga, Missy Lieser, Joseph Straub, Jamie Novak, Christian Downen, Hans Kishel, Francis Feely, George Rohrer, Chad Roeske, Nancy Rohde, Kevin Kreiger, Gretchen McDowell, Sandy Wilke, Debbi Callahan, Carole Garrett, Cheryl Jeans, Gary Day, Dale Airola, Barbara Walus, Matthew Frayne, Linnea Franke, Cheryl Hand, Sue Strzyz, Jean Cronin, Cathy Didio, Marge West, Debbi Sortino, Marilyn Yudt, Roger Lodan, Pedro Ramirez, Bruce Pratapas, and JR Gillogly.

WORLDWIDE PRAYERS

For all affected by war in Ukraine, Iran, Gaza, and throughout the Middle East; for those impacted by different storms, and for a safe and orderly election transition.

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Dakota Novander, Anthony Kopel, Kaitlin Reed, Melanie Rigoni, Nico Arellano, John B. Momich, Caitlyn Williams, 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, Eric Hill, Lucas Gamble, and Ezra BoerVis.

HOMEBOUND

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

COMFORT FOR THOSE GRIEVING THE LOSS OF LOVED ONES

Margaret Carlson