







## VERSE OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

Looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

Hebrews 12:1-3

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Communion
Closing Worship

# Message Series:



MESSAGE: THE SAVING LOVE OF GOD

**SPEAKER:** Pastor Collin Monger

#### 7:00 PM Service Worship

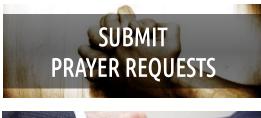
#### Hymns of Praise

I Will Sing of My Redeemer #517 Lamb of God #302 The Old Rugged Cross #327

**SPECIAL MUSIC** – Shepherd's Voice Choir "Communion Canon"

#### Closing Hymn

There Is a Redeemer #308









## **Upcoming Events**

Offering Agape drop-boxes are available at each entrance to the sanctuary. Please note we will not take a formal offering during services. You can also give electronically here:
<a href="https://www.soth.church/giving">www.soth.church/giving</a>

**Good News Mystery Box:** Pastor Charles needs help! Bring in a mystery item and place it in the mystery box in Pastor Charles office. All items will be used to help share the message of Jesus!

**VBS 2021 Registration Open:** Registration for our 2021 VBS Program is open now for ages Pre-K to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade! VBS will be held June 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Register online at soth.cc/vbs2021

#### **Holy Week Schedule:**

**Good Friday Service, Tonight April 2nd 7:00 PM**. Thank you for joining us for our Good Friday Service. We will conclude the service with Communion.

**Resurrection Sunday, April 4th 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 AM**. Please note Communion will be remembered on Good Friday.

**Easter Egg Hunt, April 4<sup>th</sup> between 9:30 and 11:00 AM services.** Kids and parents are welcome to join us for an Easter Egg hunt following the 9:30 AM service.

Women's Ministry Brunch, Write the Right Story, April 10th 10:00 AM. Join us Saturday April 10th at 10:00 AM for brunch and special speaker Michele Giletto, author of Discover Yourself in the Women of the Bible. Register online or at the welcome desk.

**Playground Fundraiser** Support our new future playground and recreation center. Make a donation starting at \$15 and get a piece to add to the puzzle in the foyer.

**Connect Groups:** Interested in growing your faith and connecting better with members of the church? Join a small group! New groups are forming now, sign up at the welcome desk or <u>contact Pastor Charles</u>.



Get last week's message and message notes <u>online here</u>, or through our <u>SOTH Church Mobile app</u>.

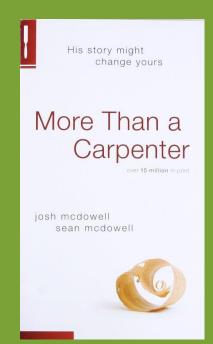
### **MORE THAN A CARPENTER**

BY JOSH D. MCDOWELL & SEAN MCDOWELL

The story that could change your life. Skeptic Josh McDowell thought Christians were out of their minds. He ridiculed and insulted them, then decided to combat them with his own thorough research to disprove the claims of Jesus Christ. To his surprise, he discovered that the evidence suggested exactly the opposite-that Jesus, instead of being simply a first-century Hebrew carpenter, truly was the God he claimed to be.

Since its original publication, More Than a Carpenter has sold over 20 million copies and changed countless lives. Now, in this revised and updated edition, Josh is joined by his son, Sean, as they tackle the questions that today's generation continues to ask: "Can I be spiritual without believing in God?" "How can I make sure that my life counts for something?" "Is it really possible to know anything for sure about God or Jesus?" Read the story. Weigh the facts. Experience his love. And then watch what happens.

Get your copy today at Chronicles Christian Books!



## Songs of Worship

### Contemporary Service – 11:00 AM Live Stream

#### I Will Sing Of My Redeemer CCLI #69260 | Philip Paul Bliss and James McGranahan

#### Verse 1

I will sing of my Redeemer And His wondrous love to me On the cruel cross He suffered From the curse to set me free

#### Chorus

Sing O sing of my Redeemer With His blood He purchased me On the cross He sealed my pardon Paid the debt and made me free

#### Verse 2

I will tell the wondrous story How my lost estate to save In His boundless love and mercy He the ransom freely gave

#### Chorus

#### Verse 3

I will praise my dear Redeemer His triumphant power I'll tell How the victory He giveth Over sin and death and hell

#### Chorus

#### Verse 4

I will sing of my Redeemer And His heav'nly love for me He from death to life Hath brought me Son of God with Him to be

#### Chorus

#### Lamb Of God CCLI #16787 | Twila Paris

#### Verse 1

Your only Son no sin to hide
But You have sent Him from Your side
To walk upon this guilty sod
And to become the Lamb of God

#### Chorus

Oh Lamb of God sweet Lamb of God I love the holy Lamb of God Oh wash me in His precious blood My Jesus Christ the Lamb of God

#### Verse 2

Your gift of love they crucified They laughed and scorned Him as He died The humble King they named a fraud And sacrificed the Lamb of God

#### Chorus

#### Verse 3

I was so lost I should have died But You have brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and rod And to be called a lamb of God

#### Chorus 2

Oh Lamb of God sweet Lamb of God I love the holy Lamb of God Oh wash me in His precious blood Till I am just a lamb of God

## Songs of Worship

### Contemporary Service – 11:00 AM Live Stream

#### The Old Rugged Cross CCLI #19722 | George Bennard

#### Verse 1

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross
The emblem of suff'ring and shame
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain

#### Chorus

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross Till my trophies at last I lay down I will cling to the old rugged cross And exchange it some day for a crown

#### Verse 2

O the old rugged cross so despised by the world Has a wondrous attraction for me For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above To bear it to dark Calvary

#### Chorus

#### Verse 3

In the old rugged cross stained with blood so divine A wondrous beauty I see For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died To pardon and sanctify me

#### Chorus

#### Verse 4

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true Its shame and reproach gladly bear Then He'll call me some day to my home far away Where His glory forever I'll share

#### Chorus

#### There Is A Redeemer CCLI #11483 | Melody Green

#### Verse 1

There is a Redeemer Jesus God's own Son Precious Lamb of God Messiah Holy One

#### Chorus

Thank You O my Father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
Till the work on earth is done

#### Verse 2

Jesus my Redeemer name above all names Precious Lamb of God Messiah Hope for sinners slain

#### Chorus

#### Verse 3

When I stand in glory I will see His face There I'll serve my King forever In that holy place

#### Chorus

### VOLUNTEER CORNER

The ministry of Shepherd of the Hills Church is not possible without the help of many volunteers who give their time and talents to serve in various areas of the church.

#### Scheduled Today 4/2

Usher Captains: Mark F.

#### A/V Team:

Sound: Dolly K. Video: Gail A.

Stream Producer: Andrew G.

#### Scheduled Sunday 4/4

Usher Captains: Mark F.

Greeters: Terry L. / Vaughn & Judy M. /

Marie M. Deacon: Mark F.

Offering Counters: Edo & Norma J. / Peg

K.

Welcome Desk: Mary S.

#### Discipleship Oasis (11 AM)

Crib Room: Jim and Sherry J. Pre-K Room: Francesca P. Children's Church: Becky K.

#### A/V Team:

Sound: Neil S. / Craig E.

Video: Leigh Ann C. / James W.

#### **Hospitality Team**

Sharon E.

#### SOTH Church mobile app



## Stay connected with Shepherd of the Hills by downloading our Mobile App Today!

Our mobile app allows you to get instant updates and events about the church, as well as download and listen to messages, study God's Word, give Online, and more!

## VOLUNTEER CORNER Service Opportunities

Are you interested in serving here at Shepherd of the Hills? Here are just a few areas that have an active need.

**Connect Group Leader:** We are currently looking for people to host in-home small groups. The person must be (or willing to become) a member of SOTH, be a believer, be able to host a group of between 7 and 10 other people twice per month and be able to coordinate the group's meetings. This person ideally will have a spiritual giftedness of a pastor, teacher, administrator, host, or other relevant gift. If you are interested in serving in this way, please contact Pastor Charles Rowdon at crowdon@soth.church.

**Chronicles Books Store Attendant** We are looking for volunteers to help assist our Sunday morning operations (8 AM - 12:30 PM) at our bookstore, Chronicles Christian Books. If you have a love of books and coffee, this may be a perfect opportunity for you. Training will be provided; a general knowledge of technology & tablet devices is a plus. If interested, please contact Pastor Jon or Pastor Collin, or email us at info@soth.church.

**Multimedia Live Stream Team:** We're looking for people to join our multimedia team on Sunday mornings. You would be helping with video and audio production, sound mixing, and other tech-related areas of the Sunday service. If you're interested in helping, let us know! Experience not needed and we will provide all the training you need. Email pastor Jon at media@soth.church

**Sunday School & Children's Church Teacher:** We are looking for volunteers to lead one of our Sunday School classes as well, either 1st – 3rd grade or 4th – 6<sup>th</sup>, as our Children's Church offering. Sunday School starts at 9:30 AM and Children's church starts at 11:00 AM. Please contact Renee Miller at <a href="mailter@soth.church">mmiller@soth.church</a> if interested in helping. Per PA law, background clearances will be needed.

**Tee-Ball Coach:** We are currently looking for a couple of people to serve as tee-ball coaches for the 2021 season, beginning in April. The coach should have knowledge of the game, the ability to coach children, and the ability to manage the schedule of the team. This team will compete in the regular Boyertown Midget Baseball League. Practices will be held at the church, games will be played on BMBL fields. The church will provide all equipment and uniforms. Per PA law, background clearances will be needed. If you are interested in serving here, please contact Pastor Collin at <a href="mailto:cmonger@soth.church">cmonger@soth.church</a>



## HOW TO SUPPORT MISSIONS

You can give financial support to our Missions projects through our regular giving envelopes by check or cash. You can also give *Electronically* using our **Online Giving Portal** or through our **Mobile App**.

You can also support our missionaries by sending a SOTH Missions **Postcard** at Chronicles Books. You can write an encouraging message to our commitment missionary of the month and we will mail the card for you.

## April Missions

Said and Habiba are missionaries who have been ministering as witness for Christ in country that is hostile toward Christians and external missionaries. This is especially difficult because missionaries are not accepted into the country but, because of their citizenship, they have the opportunity to share their testimony with people who might not otherwise hear the gospel message. They have a passion to not only share what Christ has done in their lives with others but also disciple them and help them grow in their faith.

"We thank God for supporting and protecting us during all these years and his faithfulness with us. Brothers and Sisters in Christ and partners in ministry I thank God for you and your support to us during all these years and I pray that God will always be with you."

Said and Habiba are our Missions Commitment focus for the month of April. Said helps to lead a coalition of home churches in a country that is hostile toward Christians and missionaries.

Said helps to lead a coalition of home churches in his home country while at the same time utilizing technology to help spread the message of Jesus. In the last year over 400 people have come to a profess Jesus as their Lord and savior because of the work of Said and his family. Prayers are always appreciated as this is an especially difficult and dangerous place to be a believer in Christ.

- Many Christian workers have been asked to leave the country for different reasons.
- Women's ministry & strategies to reach women
- Security for family and church members.

### Prayer Requests & Current Needs:

- Funding for a church location
- Pray for new Pastors in the country.

## APRIL MISSIONS Vision Project



"Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."

Mark and Laura Rowdon with Encompass World Partners in Matsumoto, Japan, are our Missions Vision Project for the month of April.

Mark & Laura's ministry focus: Missions lodge for tourists, team building, English club for local schools.

They are currently waiting for Japan's borders to open to foreigners

Prayers are appreciated for: Visas to be approved & border to open!



### MEMBERSHIP AT SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS

Nothing about the Christian faith is by accident, it all requires being intentional about your relationship with God. Membership allows us to extend that intentional approach to our church connection. At Shepherd of the Hills being a member is a way of saying "I'm committed to growing in my faith with these brothers and sisters in Christ." Membership also allows the church to commit to you by pledging to help you in any way possible.

Every second Sunday at 12:15 PM we offer a membership class for those wishing to join our congregation.

If you would like to attend a membership class, please sign up at the welcome desk in the foyer or email Pastor Collin at cmonger@soth.church to be added to the list.

### **MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT**



Vacation Bible School (VBS) is a ministry outreach of the church which we use to introduce children to Jesus and educate them about God and His love. This week-long event hosts dozens of children, ages 3-12, and presents them with the gospel message they can understand! If you have an elementary aged child register them and come join us for a funfilled week at VBS! Packed with exciting crafts, Bible lessons,

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it."

Proverbs 22:6

snacks, and games; at VBS your child will discover what it means to be saved by Jesus. This VBS engages kids of all ages and is sure to be one of the highlights of your summer!

VBS is being held this year on June 21st-25th from 9:00am-12:00pm. Along with a being a ministry for kids, VBS is also a great opportunity for youth and adults to volunteer and share about their relationship with Jesus! Previous years we had over 35 adults and youth volunteer and, without their dedication, VBS

would not be possible. If you'd like to know more about VBS or how to get involved as leader please contact Pastor Jon or Pastor Charles.







Our ministries here at Shepherd of the Hills Church allow us to carry out our mission by addressing a specific area of need in our community. To learn more about a ministry, tap on a logo below.



