SUNDAY DECEMBER 1ST, 2019

## SHEPHERD of the HILLS

TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN!

DIGITAL BULLETIN AND ORDER OF WORSHIP









For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you.

You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.

Jeremiah 29:11-13



Greeting

Songs of Worship

**Prayer Requests** 

Good News Mystery Box Children's Message

Announcements & Offering

Message

Communion
Closing Worship

Message Series:

## Advent

MESSAGE: THE PROPHECY CANDLE



**SPEAKER:** 

Pastor Charles Rowdon

### **COMMUNION SUNDAY**

### 8:00 AM Service Worship

### Hymns of Praise

Arise, Shine #241

O Come, All Ye Faithful #249

Come, Though Long-Expected Jesus #244

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel #245 (Hymn of Grace)

### Closing Hymn

Let's Worship and Adore Him #247

## SUBMIT PRAYER REQUESTS



**SERVICE TIMES** 

**8:00 AM**Acoustic Service

### 10:30 AM Service Worship

Led by Shepherds' Call

My Savior Lives

Holy Is the Lord

I Could Sing of Your Love

Forever

Cornerstone

Waiting Here for You (Offertory)

Cornerstone (Reprise)





**9:15 AM** Sunday School 10:30 AM Contemporary Service

## **Upcoming Events**

## This Week

Monday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, Dec. 3rd

Wednesday, Dec. 4th

6:15pm Youth Club 6:30pm H2O Youth

7:00pm Verse-By-Verse Service

7:45pm Shepherd's Voice

Thursday, Dec. 5th

7:00pm Cub Scouts

Friday, Dec. 6th

Saturday, Dec. 7th

9:00am Pre-K Soup Mix Setup 11:00am Nativity Share setup Communion is Today, Both Services!

As a reminder during communion, the outer ring of the communion tray contains **white grape juice**; the inner rings contain **red wine**.

**Christmas Card Corner** 

This Month

If you have a Christmas card you would like to share with the church, bring it in and we'll display it in the main hallway.

New Members Class Sunday, Dec. 8th 9:15 AM

Christmas Nativity Share Sunday, Dec. 8th

Bring in your favorite nativity display for a special Nativity Share event in the Fellowship Hall. Setup on Saturday, December 7th and view after services on December 8th. Register here!

Congregational Meeting Sunday, Dec. 15th

A congregational meeting will be held after both services on December 15<sup>th</sup>, in the Fellowship Hall.

**Christmas Poinsettia Orders** Due by Sunday, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> *To beautify the sanctuary for Christmas Eve.* \$8.75 per plant. Payment must accompany order. Place order at church office or online here.

Miss last week's message?

<u>Catch up online</u> or through our
<u>SOTH Church Mobile app.</u>



# BOOK of the month

## WAITING HERE FOR YOU

BY LOUIE GIGLIO

Christmas. We have plenty of time to anticipate it, or in some cases...dread it. And, before we know it, it's gone as quickly as it came. What's it all for? Is there really hope for today in the story of a baby born so long ago?

These questions and others are answered in the promises of Advent. In Waiting Here for You, join pastor and author Louie Giglio on an Advent journey to discover that waiting is not wasting when you're waiting on the Lord.

Take hold of the chance to uncover the vast hope offered through the journey of Advent. This edition features a clothbound hardcover binding.

Get your copy today at Chronicles Christian Books!

## Sunday School

Below you will find information on current classes. All classes begin at 9:15 and end at 10:15.

#### **Adult Classes**

Location: Parlor Topic: Simon Peter

Book Used: Simon Peter: Flawed but Faithful Disciple, by Adam Hamilton Leader: Kathy Coffey / Sandy Leonard Leader Contact: coffeykath@aol.com

Location: Fellowship Hall

Topic: Contemporary issues faced by

Christians

Book Used: Bible (Selected Scriptures)

Leader: Pastor Collin Monger

Leader Contact: cmonger@soth.church

Location: Room 22 (lower level)

Topic: Nehemiah

Book Used: Putting It Together Again

When It's All Fallen Apart Leader: Jen Lantz / Susan Grove

Leader Contact: <u>asgrover@hotmail.com</u>

### **Teen & Children Classes**

Age Group: Senior High Location: Shepherd's Den

Topic: Lessons from the Church at

Corinth

Book Used: Bible (1st Corinthians) Leader: Pastor Charles Rowdon Leader Contact: crowdon@soth.church

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Age Group: Toddler-3 year Location: Room 14

Age Group: Children (4 years to

kindergarten)

Location: Discipleship Oasis Room 12

(upper level)

Leader: Grace Kochey

Leader Contact: jgcocci@gmail.com

Age Group: Children (1st - 6th grade) Location: Room 24 (lower level) Topic: Psalm 23 ("The Lord is my

shepherd...")

Book Used: Children's Bible

Leader: Tara Wilson

Leader Contact: wil0830.tw@gmail.com

## **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 12/1

Usher Captain: Vaughn M. Greeters: Uwe & Mary B. Deacon: Gordon & Sandy M.

Offering Counters: Jeannette K. / Marie M.

Receptionist: Mary S.

### **Discipleship Oasis**

Crib Room: Paul & Debbie L. Pre-K Room: Joyce H.

Children's Church: Brittany T. & Ashley R.

#### A/V Team:

Sound: Neil S. / Ken N. Video: Bill M. / James W.

#### Scheduled Next Week 12/8

Usher Captain: Mark F.

Greeters: Marge S. & Marie M.

Deacon: Neil S.

Offering Counters: Amy K. & Verona M.

Receptionist: Margaret F.

#### **Discipleship Oasis**

Crib Room: Jim & Sherry J.
Pre-K Room: Dan & Diana G.
Children's Church: Karen & John S.

#### A/V Team:

Sound: Dolly K. / Brad S. Video: Stan K. / Gail A.



### Winter Weather Cancellations will be announced on WBYN (FM 107.5), Channel 69 (WFMZ), as well as our church website and church mobile app. As a general rule during the week we follow the closures of the Boyertown School district.

## 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.

**OneVoice Worship Team:** We are currently looking for anyone interested in serving with our One Voice worship ministry. Whether you sing, plan an instrument, operate sound equipment, or run projectors, we're looking for you. Must be able to commit to one Sunday per month. For more information, please contact Pastor Jon Grove at <a href="mailto:media@soth.church">media@soth.church</a>.

**Journalist:** We are looking for someone to serve as a journalist for our church publication, "The Shepherd's Staff." If you enjoy writing, photography, or other print publication work, and would like to serve, please contact the church for more information. Email cmonger@soth.church.

**Tee-Ball Coach:** We are currently looking for a couple of people to serve as tee-ball coaches for the 2020 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 cmonger@soth.church.

**Fellowship Team:** We are currently looking for a few people to service on a fellowship team. This group will be responsible for organizing and coordinating various fellowship events for the church throughout the year. These events would consist of things like movie nights, meals, etc. If you are interested in serving please contact Pastor Collin at <a href="mailto:cmonger@soth.church">cmonger@soth.church</a>.

**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.

**Children's Church Teacher:** We are currently looking for teachers for our children's church ministry. This position is great for those who enjoy working with small children and teaching. You would be placed in a rotating schedule to serve about once per month, or more if available and desired. Curriculum is provided but you are also welcome to create your own. If that's you, please contact please contact Pastor Charles Rowdon at <a href="mailto:crowdon@soth.church">crowdon@soth.church</a>. Background checks must be completed prior to beginning service.

## 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.

For \$10 you can send 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

For \$20 you can get our **Postcard & Bracelet** bundle, where you will also receive a custom bracelet with the colors of the national flag our missionary serves, that can serve as a prayer reminder.

## December Missions

The Stoke family lives in the mountains of Papua Indonesia amongst a people group named the "Dem." They are an isolated people group that have no written form of their language, never had any western influences and are completely remote. The only way in or out if by using a small missionary plane or their feet.

They are currently learning their language so that one day they will be able to present the Gospel to the Dem and translate the Bible into their language. Until they can clearly present the Gospel the ministry consists of learning the language and medical needs.

Where they live there is no power company, no water company, no roads or corner mini mart. They live off solar panels, water from a stream and the trip to the grocery store is a plane

Jeremiah & Briana Stokes are our Missions Commitment focus for the months of November and December. The Stokes serve in the mountains of Papua Indonesia as missionaries to the "Dem" tribe.

landing with a couple months' worth of food.

"We are Jeremiah & Briana Stokes. We have 3 children Eden Jericho and Noelle and we are missionaries with New Tribes Mission in Indonesia.

We moved overseas July 4, 2010. We are both from Pennsylvania but opposite sides of the state. Briana is from eastern Pa and Jeremiah is from Pittsburgh. We both grew up in Christian homes but when we were in our first year of college, we were confronted with the fact that there are unreached tribal people groups that have no access to the Bible."



Click here for the Stokes' latest video update.



## **DECEMBER 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.

Luke and Alyssa Miller are our Missions Vision Project for the month of November.

Luke and Alyssa have been called to serve in Thailand with New Mission Systems International. They serve, disciple, and teach in Chiang Mai's youth homes for at risk youth from ages 12-20.

Many of these youth come from tribal families who live in mountain villages, hours from schools, so they move to the city for an education while their parents stay in the village to work their farms. There is great need for this kind of ministry for the youth to have more adult interaction and to be guided and introduced to Christ.

The potential outcomes are invaluable: decreased drug use, prostitution, poverty and high school drop-outs and a generation who knows Christ and has hope for the future!

Click here to find out more info about youth homes in Chaing Mai.

### 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 9:15 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**



"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!
Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into
His presence with singing!"

Psalm 100:1-2

Isaiah 12:5 says; "Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth." Worship music is an important element in every worship service; joining with other believers to sing praises to our Lord and savior. Here at Shepherd of the Hills we have been blessed to have some amazing musicians who are



committed to leading us in worship.

Our worship ministry, **One Voice**, leads the congregation in contemporary worship songs during our 10:30am service. We have four unique bands and, though they stand at the front of the sanctuary, all the attention and praise is directed to God.

For our 8:00am service we have traditional hymns lead by organ or piano. We believe hymns are timeless and just as important for worship as the contemporary songs we sing at our 10:30am service. On the first Sunday of the month,



our church choir, Shepherd's Voice, leads the congregation in song as well.

If you have been blessed with the ability to play music or sing and would be interested in joining our One Voice ministry see pastor Jon Grove for more information.





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.















