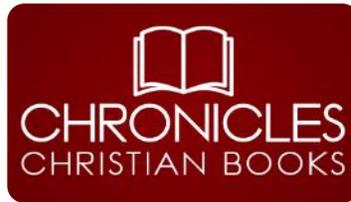
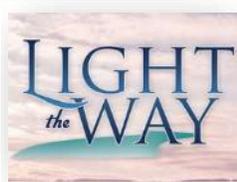


SUNDAY DECEMBER 19TH, 2021

SHEPHERD of the HILLS

TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN!
DIGITAL BULLETIN AND ORDER OF WORSHIP



VERSE OF ENCOURAGEMENT

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



ORDER OF WORSHIP

- Songs of Worship
- Prayer Requests
- Good News Mystery Box
- Children's Message
- Announcements
- Message
- Closing Worship

Message Series:



MESSAGE: SO CLOSE, YET SO FAR

SPEAKER:
Pastor Collin Monger

8:00 AM Service Worship

- Angels from the Realms of Glory #259
- I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day #267
- O Holy Night #285

Closing Hymn

Go Tell It on the Mountain #258

9:30 & 11 AM Service Worship

Led by Shepherd's Call

- Hark the Herald Angels Sing
- O Come All Ye Faithful
- He Shall Reign Forevermore
- O Holy Night

He Shall Reign Forevermore
(Reprise)

Song Lyrics on pages 3-4



SERVICE TIMES

8:00 AM
Acoustic Service

9:30 AM
Sunday School

9:30 & 11 AM
Contemporary Service

Upcoming Events

Offering Agape drop-boxes are available around the lot during our outdoor service. Please note we will not take a formal offering during services. You can also give electronically here:

www.soth.church/giving

TODAY! Congregational Meeting, Sunday Dec. 19th 12:15 PM

Join us for a brief congregational meeting in the Fellowship Hall to approve the 2022 Budget and vote on an Elder nomination.

Christmas Eve Services, Friday December 24th

Join us here at Shepherd of the Hills for Christmas Eve, Friday December 24th. At 7:00 PM our children & youth will lead our Christmas Children's Program. At 9:00 PM join us for our traditional Christmas Eve Service.

Please note there is no Wednesday night Bible Study this week. Youth Club will meet for Christmas Eve Rehearsal at 6:15 PM

Pizza with Bob Mendelson, Sunday Jan. 2nd 12:15 PM

Bob Mendelson, long time missionary serving with Jews for Jesus, will be visiting on January 2nd to share how God is moving amongst the Jewish people. He will be speaking during the Sunday School hour and again after the 11:00 AM service. Lunch is provided at no cost, but please sign up at the Welcome Desk or [online here](#) for a headcount.

A Parent's legacy: Parenting Class, Starting January 9th

Meeting during the Sunday School hour, 9:30-10:30, this class is for parents committed to implementing biblical parenting principles and is geared towards parents with children aged 2-12 years old. One book will be provided per couple. Sign-up [online here](#) or at the welcome desk.

March for Life, Friday January 21st 2022. Join us for the 49th annual March for Life in Washington D.C. We will meet at Shepherd of the Hills at 6 AM and return around 10 PM. The cost is \$30 per person; scholarships are available. Please bring a lunch and money for dinner on the return trip. Sign up at the Welcome Desk or [online here](#).

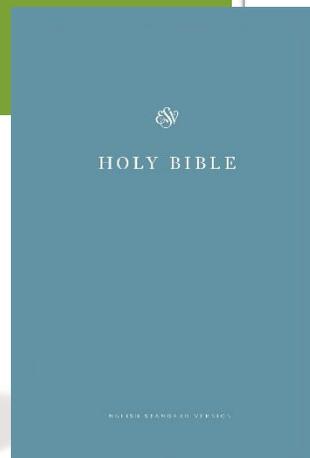
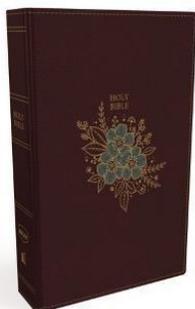
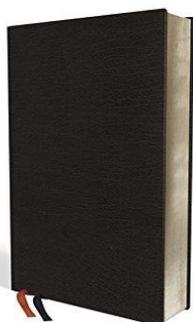
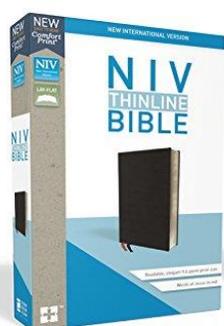
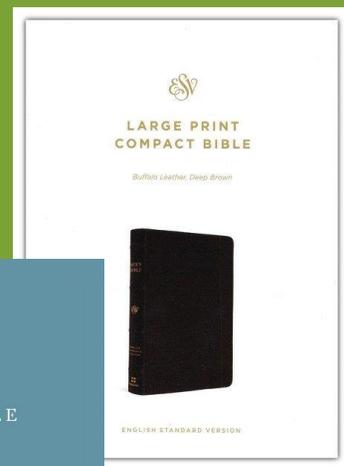
Get last week's message and message notes [online here](#), or through our [SOTH Church Mobile app](#).

BOOK of the month

THE HOLY BIBLE

Critical to the Christian Faith, there is no other book that can compare to the Word of God. For the entire month of December, the Bible is our Book of the Month. We want to make sure that God's Word is available to all. All Bibles, including Children's Bibles, compact Bibles, and Study Bibles are on sale during December.

Get 10% off any new Bible at Chronicles Christian Books today!



Songs of Worship

Contemporary Service – 11:00 AM Live Stream

Hark The Herald Angels Sing

CCLI #27738 | Felix Mendelssohn and Charles Wesley

Verse 1

Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King
Peace on earth and mercy mild
God and sinners reconciled
Joyful all ye nations rise
Join the triumph of the skies
With angelic hosts proclaim
Christ is born in Bethlehem
Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King

Verse 2

Christ by highest heav'n adored
Christ the everlasting Lord
Late in time behold Him come
Offspring of the Virgin's womb
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see
Hail the incarnate Deity
Pleased as man with men to dwell
Jesus our Emmanuel
Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King

Verse 3

Mild he lays his glory by
Born that man no more may die
Born to raise the sons of earth
Born to give them second birth
Risen with healing in His wings
Light and life to all He brings
Hail the Son of Righteousness
Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace
Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King

Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King

O Come All Ye Faithful

CCLI #5606944 | John Francis Wade and Chris Tomlin

Verse 1

O come all ye faithful
Joyful and triumphant
O come ye O come ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold Him
Born the King of angels

Chorus

O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

Verse 2

Sing choirs of angels
Sing in exultation
O sing all ye citizens of heav'n above
Glory to God all glory in the highest

Chorus

Verse 3

Yea Lord we greet Thee
Born this happy morning
Jesus to Thee be all glory giv'n
Word of the Father
Now in flesh appearing

Chorus

Songs of Worship

Contemporary Service – 11:00 AM Live Stream

He Shall Reign Forevermore

CCLI #7050416 | Chris Tomlin and Matt Maher

Verse 1

In the bleak mid-winter
All creation groans
For a world in darkness
Frozen like a stone
Light is breaking
In a stable for a throne

Chorus 1

And He shall reign forevermore forever-more
And He shall reign forevermore forever-more
Unto us a Child is born
The King of kings and Lord of lords
And He shall reign forevermore forever-more

Verse 2

If I were a wise man
I would travel far
If I were a shepherd
I would do my part
But poor as I am
I will give to Him my heart

Chorus 1

Bridge

Here within a manger lies the One
Who made the starry skies
This baby born for sacrifice
Christ the Messiah
Into our hopes into our fears
The Savior of the world appears
The promise of eternal years
Christ the Messiah

Chorus 2

And He shall reign forevermore forever-more
And He shall reign forevermore forever-more

Chorus 1

O Holy Night

CCLI #32015 | Adolphe Charles Adam, John S. Dwight, and Placide Cappeau

Verse 1

O holy night the stars are brightly shining
It is the night of the dear Savior's birth
Long lay the world in sin and error pining
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn

Chorus 1

Fall on your knees, O hear the angel voices
O night divine, O night when Christ was born
O night O holy night, O night divine

Verse 2

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming
Here came the wise men from Orient land
The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger
In all our trials born to be our Friend

Chorus 2

He knows our need, To our weakness is no stranger
Behold your King, Before Him lowly bend
Behold your King, Before Him lowly bend

Verse 3

Truly He taught us to love one another
His law is love and His gospel is peace
Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother
And in His name all oppression shall cease
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we
Let all within us praise His holy name

Chorus 3

Christ is the Lord, O praise His name forever
His power and glory, Evermore proclaim
His power and glory, Evermore proclaim

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 12/19

Usher Captains: Vaughn M. & Dan M.
Greeters: Terry & Gail L. / Gary & Judy W.
Deacon: Jeanette K.
Offering Counters: Sharon S. / Patti W.
Welcome Desk: Margaret F.

Discipleship Oasis (11 AM)

Crib Room: Rachael K.
Pre-K Room: Joyce H. & Katie L.
Children's Church: Crystal O. & Isabella B.

A/V Team:

Sound: Neil S. / Ken N.
Video: Paul Y. / Will E.

Hospitality Team

Karla O. / John C. / Judy M.

Scheduled Next Week 12/26

Usher Captains: Mark F.
Greeters: Bill & Sybilla G. / Vaughn & Judy M.
Deacon: Mark F.
Offering Counters: Jeanette K. / Marie M.
Welcome Desk: Mary B.

Discipleship Oasis (11 AM)

Crib Room: Jim & Sherry J.
Pre-K Room: Patti W. / Andy T.
Children's Church: Erica & James B.

A/V Team:

Sound: Cory B.
Video: Stan K. / Katie L.

Hospitality Team

Ruth & Vince H / Joyce H.

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.

Video Operator Volunteers: We are looking for a few people to join our Sunday morning Video Projection team for our 9:30 AM / 11:00 AM services. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Jon or Pastor Charles. Training will be provided.

Multimedia 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 – 6th, 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 rmiller@soth.church if interested in helping. Per PA law, background clearances will be needed.

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.



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.

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 is by using a small missionary plane or their feet.

They have completed the translation of the Bible into the native language and have taught their first round of over 80 lessons of the Gospel. They have experienced several hundred native Dem coming to listen each day.

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 landing with a couple months’ worth of food.

Jeremiah & Briana Stokes are our **Missions Commitment** focus for the month of December. The Stokes serve in the mountains of Papua Indonesia as missionaries to the “Dem” tribe.

“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.”



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.”

The Mustard Seed Communities organization is our Missions Vision Project for the month of December.

Mustard Seed Communities is a non-profit organization that provides aid and education to children with special needs and disabilities.

Mustard Seed Communities core purpose is to advance the well being of children with disabilities. MSC also shares the Gospel with the children and their families.

MSC ministers all over the globe. Our focus for December is the ministry provided in the Republic of Malawi, southeast Africa.



Mustard Seed Communities

CARING FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE

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.



**NEW MEMBERS
CLASS**

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](mailto:cmonger@soth.church) to be added to the list.

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT



SHEPHERD of the HILLS
CALVARY CHAPEL

Elders

According to the New Testament, elders are responsible for the spiritual leadership and oversight of a church. We read in 1st Timothy 3:2-3 and Titus 1:7-9 some of the qualifications of an elder; they must be above reproach, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money.

It is the duty of the Elders to guard the church against heresy, provide for the spiritual teaching in the congregation, and to seek and lead in

"He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it."

Titus 1:9

pursuing God's will for SOTH. Additionally, Elders must approve Deacon candidates, approve staffing, and other administrative tasks. The Elders possess the final human authority in the church.

Here at Shepherd of the Hills we have been blessed with a group of elders who exemplify these characteristics and are committed to the spiritual wellbeing of the church.

The Elders of the church hold monthly meetings to discuss important spiritual issues and discern God's will for the congregation. Their primary responsibilities, according to scripture, are to teach sound doctrine, lead through service, model the Christian life-style, and pray for the congregation. We can summarize the responsibilities of an elder this way: they seek to shepherd the congregation as Jesus shepherded his disciples.

MINISTRY CORNER



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.

