SUNDAY DECEMBER 26TH, 2021

SHEPHERD of the HILLS

TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN!

DIGITAL BULLETIN AND ORDER OF WORSHIP







VERSE OF ENCOURAGEMENT

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, His mercies never come to an end.

They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.

"The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

Lamentations 3:22-24

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Songs of Worship
Prayer Requests

Good News Mystery Box

Children's Message

Announcements
Message
Closing Worship

Message Series:



MESSAGE: NEW YEAR, NEW CREATION

SPEAKER: Pastor Charles Rowdon

8:00 AM Service Worship

Great Is the Lord #140 Rejoice, the Lord Is King #370 God of Grace and God of Glory #435

The Steadfast Love of the Lord #576

Closing Hymn

Blessed Assurance #572

9:30 & 11 AM Service Worship

Led by Alpha Praise

Joy to the World Thou Art Worthy

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus There's Something About that Name

Joy to the World (Reprise)

Song Lyrics on pages 3-4

SUBMIT PRAYER REQUESTS



SERVICE TIMES

8:00 AMAcoustic 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

Giving Envelopes for 2022 are available in the Foyer.

Please note there is no Wednesday night Bible Study or Youth Club this week.

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.

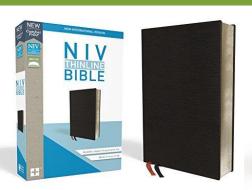


Get last week's message and message notes <u>online here</u>, or through our <u>SOTH Church Mobile app</u>.

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

Joy To The World CCLI #5663860 | George Frederic Handel, Lowell Mason, and Isaac Watts

Verse 1

Joy to the world the Lord is come
Let earth receive her King
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room
And heav'n and nature sing
And heav'n and nature sing
And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing

Verse 2

Joy to the earth the Savior reigns Let men their songs employ While fields and floods Rocks hills and plains Repeat the sounding joy Repeat the sounding joy Repeat repeat the sounding joy

Verse 3

No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found
Far as far as the curse is found

Verse 4

He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness And wonders of His love And wonders of His love And wonders wonders of His love

Thou Art Worthy CCLI #14789 | Pauline Michael Mills

Thou art worthy Thou art worthy Thou art worthy O Lord To receive glory glory and honor Glory and honor and pow'r

For Thou hast created
Hast all things created
For Thou hast created all things
And for Thy pleasure they are created
Thou art worthy O Lord

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Songs of Worship

Contemporary Service – 11:00 AM Live Stream

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus CCLI #15960 | Helen H. Lemmel

Chorus

Turn your eyes upon Jesus Look full in His wonderful face And the things of earth Will grow strangely dim In the light of His glory and grace

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There's Something About That Name CCLI #14064 | Gloria Gaither and William J. Gaither

Jesus Jesus
There's just something about that name
Master Savior Jesus
Like a fragrance after the rain
Jesus Jesus
Let all heaven and earth proclaim
Kings and kingdoms may all pass away
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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 12/26

Usher Captains: Mark F.

Greeters: Bill & Sybilla G. / Vaughn & Judy

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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.

Scheduled Next Week 01/02

Usher Captains: Mark F.

Greeters: Karla O. / Bill & Sybilla G. /

Brittany T.
Deacon: Mark F.

Offering Counters: Vaughn M. / Cindy O.

Welcome Desk: Mary B.

Discipleship Oasis (11 AM)

Crib Room: Amy B. / Dawn K. Pre-K Room: Mike & Joelle W. Children's Church: Brittany T.

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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 $4\text{th} - 6^{\text{th}}$, 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 if 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."







"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.



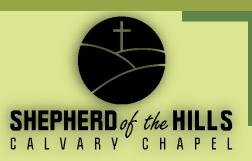
MEMBERSHIP AT SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS

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



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.





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.















