



Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran

Church, School, & Child Care

We are a church, school, and child care committed to serving our community and sharing the love of Jesus Christ!

Weekly News & Updates

March 14, 2025

Ministry Metrics

Attendance & Offering for March 8 & 9

6PM - 84
9AM - 150
10:30AM - 121
Total - 355

Ash Wednesday 12PM-81 & 7PM-95

Shepherd's Kids - 43

Baptisms to date - 9

Weekly Offering: \$17,322

Average: \$21,777

Needed weekly to meet Ministry Plan: \$21,103

On March 8-14, it was our pleasure to host the following groups in the facilities God has entrusted to us:

Shepherd Ministries:

Bible Study Groups

Venue Ministry:

Countdown City Sports Basketball League

SA Valkyries Club Volleyball League

SA Aces Basketball League

Baby Shower

Altogether, these groups brought more than 325

Thank you for your faithful giving!

Click [here](#) to give online.

Altogether, these groups brought more than 325 people onto our campus last week!

Weekend Scripture: (Click to read ahead) [Proverbs 16:1-9](#), [James 2:14-26](#), [Matthew 5:13-16](#)

THE SEASON OF LENT

The Book of James

Once again, we have put together a small group study for the Lenten season. It's based on the book of James and goes along with the weekend and midweek sermons throughout Lent. We want as many people as possible to be involved! If you're interested in joining an existing group or starting your own, please reach out to Pastor Andy at ajohnson@shlutheran.org.

Lenten midweek services featuring students singing are at 12:00 Noon on Wednesdays: March 19, March 26, April 2, and April 9. A fellowship lunch of sandwiches, chips, fruit, and cookies will be provided in the church lobby from 11:00 to 11:45 a.m. Freewill donations will be accepted. Evening Lenten midweek services are Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.



Lenten midweek offerings will go to our partner in refugee ministry, New Hope Connections. There is a great need for funding for the Afghan refugees in our community. Many of them assisted our troops and have been persecuted by the Taliban. The U.S. government has brought the Afghan refugees here. Alice Klement and Frank Avery are our members who work with New Hope Connections.



Let's Read God's Word

This Lenten season, join Pastor Andy on a six-week reading of the life of Jesus as told through the Gospel of Luke. For Luke, Jesus' story is so much more than just history. It's the pivotal moment when God came to



earth on a rescue mission to save His people. That includes each and every one of us! Now through April 11, listen each weekday as we make our way through Luke's Gospel. To listen, the podcast can be found on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, and Amazon Music. Just search "Let's Read God's Word" and hit subscribe so you get notified when each day's episode comes out. This Lent, Let's Read God's Word!

NEWS & INFORMATION

Holy Land Presentation Next Weekend

During all services, we will be hearing from Dr. George Ghanem about the Christians of the Holy Land and hosting a display of handmade olive wood religious articles from Bethlehem available for purchase. The carvings are handmade by Christian families from Bethlehem, who will receive all proceeds.

Saturday Service Supper

All are invited for supper Saturday March 22, 4:45-5:30 PM in the school cafeteria. It's a place where we come together for a great meal, time with friends, and most importantly, WORSHIP! Smoked chicken, sausage links and sides. Desserts served in the lobby after church.

Saturday Bible Class

Starting March 15, the Saturday Bible Class led by Pastor Rick Pfaff will begin a study of First John. They meet at 4:45pm in Sky Room 1 from now until May 31 (except for Saturday Supper weeks and Easter weekend). All are welcome to join!

Proposed By-Laws and Constitution

Congregation President Dale Stein Jr. is sharing the proposed By-Laws and Constitution for you to review for the March 23, Congregational gathering 12-1 PM in the Family Life Sky Rooms. Please note this is not a congregational meeting. Click [here](#) to review The Constitution and click [here](#) to review The By-Laws to The Constitution. Thank you!

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, March 30 with fellowship lunch provided by the Kitchen Angels at 11:30 and meeting at noon in the Family Life Sky rooms.

Rooted - Church Informational Class

12-2 PM, Sunday, April 27 in the Family Life Sky Rooms. This class is for those new to Shepherd who want to learn more about who we are. A complimentary lunch will be provided. RSVP to Pastor Chris, pastorchrist@shepherd Lutheran.com.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

Thrivent members: Have you directed your Choice Dollars? Log on to [Thrivent.com](https://www.thrivent.com). Scroll down to select Choice Dollars. For the recipient, type in Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, San Antonio. Then direct your dollars to make a difference for the Lord's work! Deadline is March 31. Thank you!

Shepherd's Sapphire Auction for Education Gala

Tickets for the April 11th Shepherd of the Hills Sapphire Auction for Education Gala are now

available! Please click [here](#) to register. Join us on April 11 from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM in the Family Life Center Gym.

- Doors open at 5:30 PM
- Silent Auction will begin at 6:00 PM.
- A catered buffet dinner by The Chef Kaius Austin-Bey will be served from 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
- Live Auction will start at 8:00 PM
- This semi-formal event will be **adults-only**, so please note that there will be no child care provided.



OUTREACH MINISTRY

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Refugee Ministry

Help needed during the week to transport refugees to the Refugee Clinic. Contact Alice Klement, 210-563-2458, amklement@yahoo.com.

Christian Assistance Ministry

Donations may be dropped off in the wicker basket near the circle drive door. They are currently in need of the following: full size hygiene items, peanut butter, jelly, and cereal.

March Ramp Build Report from Craig Cannon

“Terry Brien, Isiah Bochler, Brenda Rosales, Aaron Tilt, and I were joined by two TRP volunteers (Kim and Jim) and two family members to build a 30' ramp for Manuel. When we arrived, there was an existing ramp that was way too steep and rotted for anyone with mobility issues to safely use. After a quick demo we got to work on an L-shaped ramp that had a nice gradual slope and steady handrails. Originally it was going to be a little longer, but thankfully Jim did some calculations that allowed us to reduce the build which saved us a bit of time and Kim jumped into level out the slope so it could land just on the edge of the driveway. It was a great day to build (the sun was shining on a cooler day). And it was made all the better by the fun of building with such a great team.”



March 16

Bible Class 8 AM - FLC Sky Rms. 2 & 3
Worship 9 & 10:30 AM - Church
God's Word is A Treasure 3 PM - FLC Sky Rm. 1

March 17

Bible Study w/Nancy Overland-Marshall 6:30 PM - FLC Sky Rm. 3
SHLS Board of Education 6 PM - FLC Sky Rm. 1

March 18

Joy in the Morning w/Karen Stein 9:30 FLC Sky Rm. 2
Seasoned Sisters w/Alice Klement 10 AM - Church Music Rm.
SHLC Board of Directors 6:30 PM - FLC Sky Rm. 1
Book Study w/Craig Cannon 6:30 PM - Church Music Rm.
Book Study w/Annette Alvarado 7 PM - FLC Sky Rm. 2
DivorceCare 7 PM - FLC Sky Rm. 3

March 19

SHLS Chapels 8:15 & 9:30 AM - Church
YakPak 9:30 AM - FLC Sky Rm. 1
Lenten Midweek Services 12 & 7 PM - Church
Modern Hymn Band Rehearsal 5 PM - Church

March 20

Bible Class w/Pastor Jack Goldberger 10 AM - FLC Sky Rm. 3
Handbell Rehearsal 6 PM - Church
Band Rehearsal 6:15 PM - FLC Music Rm.
Choir Rehearsal 7 PM - Church

March 21

Bible Class w/Brenda Rosales 10 AM - Church Music Room

March 22

GriefShare w/Mark Lackie 10 AM - FLC Sky Rm. 2
Saturday Service Supper 4:45 PM - School Cafeteria
Saturday Service 6 PM - Church
Open Gym w/Michael Howard 7:30 PM - FLC Gym

Celebrations This Week

Happy Birthday

Sam Bledsoe
Olivia Whitworth
Brady Smith
Emily Rau
Deborah Lockhart
Isabella Strom
Dottie Avery
Lynette Barbera
Sara Hawkins
Gabe Garcia
Tyler Stetler
Jordan Chapa

Happy Anniversary

Jeffrey & Dottie Roese
Gabriel & Olivia Rico
Gabe & Gail Garcia
Greg & Denise Treadway

Shepherd's Summer theme "Into the Unknown!" - In thirteen weeks kids begin an adventure like no other as they dive into exciting new experiences and explore things they might never have the chance to otherwise. Call us

TODAY to learn more, 210-614-3741.



Shepherd of the Hills Summer Fun
Weekly \$180 / Daily \$50
Call TODAY 210-614-3741!

**SUMMER
RAM CAMP**
JUNE 2 FOR KIDS JUNE 2



FAITH - EXCELLENCE - IMPACT

Past, Present, and Future Gala

Where: Lutheran High School Gym
When: Saturday, March 22, 2025
Time: 5:00 - 9:00 pm

CALL OR TEXT 210-694-4962 FOR TICKETS
OR VISIT WWW.LHSSA.ORG/GALA

Lutheran High School of San Antonio
18104 Babcock Rd. | 210-694-4962

The LHS Past, Present, and Future Gala is on Saturday, March 22, at Lutheran High School Gym from 5:00-9:00 pm. Visit (www.lhssa.org) or text or call 210-694-4962 to reserve your ticket or table! We are celebrating 30 years of ministry, and we would love to fill 30 tables with guests from past and present supporters of Lutheran High School as we look forward to Our Next 30 Years!



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