



November 29, 2024

Shepherd of the Hills

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Shepherd's Voice

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

MINISTRY METRICS

Attendance & Offering for Nov. 23 & 24

6PM - 81

9AM - 205

10:30AM - 163

Total - 449

Weekly Offering: \$11,147

Average: \$20,367

Needed weekly to meet Ministry Plan: \$20,871

Shepherds Kids - 36

Baptisms to date - 45

Thank you for your faithful giving!

Click [here](#) to give online.

On Nov. 23-29 it was our pleasure to host the following groups in the facilities God has entrusted to us:

Shepherd Ministries:

Bible Study Groups

DivorceCare

Rental Ministry:

SA Aces Basketball League

Countdown City Sports Basketball League

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Altogether, these groups brought more than 400 people onto our campus last week!

Weekend Scripture

Weekend Scripture (Click below to review)

Psalm 2, Romans 1:18-25, John 5:16-23

In the News

Christmas decorations going up!!

Volunteers are needed Saturday, Nov. 30, starting at 8 AM as we begin to dress our church for Christmas! Many helping hands will help us tackle the job faster. Any time that you can spare is very much appreciated!! Students can earn service hours for this task!! RSVP [here](#).

Gifts for the King

This year's Gifts for the King offering is going toward the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran School Scholarship Fund (50 percent), Lutheran High School (25 percent), and Vault Fostering Community (25 percent). The idea behind Gifts for the King: Families are invited to calculate how much they're spending on Christmas gifts and contribute a tithe (10 percent) of that amount to Gifts for the King.

Advent midweek

Please join us for Advent midweek services beginning Wednesday! Services times are 12 noon and 7 p.m. The noon service will have a sandwich lunch beforehand in the lobby, musical entertainment, and school children singing the opening song. The 7 p.m. service is a new addition this year. Our weekend and midweek service theme is the Royal Psalms.

Service of Lessons and Carols

At both Sunday services Dec. 8, we'll be showcasing the great variety of musical programs at Shepherd. 9:00 and 10:30 services that morning will be an identical blend of the following - organ, choir, adult and junior high bands (brass, wind, percussion), praise band (guitar, keyboard, drum), hand bells, and congregational singing. This Service of Lessons and Carols will feature readings from the New Testament Epistles that draw our attention to the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus. Sunday services will not include a sermon or Holy Communion. The Dec. 7 Saturday service will follow a similar format, all led by the praise team, and will include Communion. Get ready to be inspired by a service filled with joy ... and lots of special music!

Christmas Gift Ideas

Shop in the church office!

New book featuring Pastor Chris' writings

Pastor Chris is one of 11 authors whose writings are featured in a newly released book, *Come, Follow Me: A Year of Devotions on the Life of Jesus* With a weekly text viewed through different lenses each day, the book chronicles the life and ministry of Jesus from start to finish. You can pick up your copy this weekend in the church office before and after services or stop by during the week. The book is \$25. Pastor Chris' other books also will be available, each for \$15. The books make great Christmas presents!



Beautiful Olive Wood Gifts from the Holy Land

Nancy Bielefeldt is once again offering hand-carved Olive Wood products from a Christian family shop in Bethlehem. These unique pieces, crafted in the Holy Land, make thoughtful and meaningful gifts, especially during the Advent and Christmas seasons. All proceeds go directly to support Christian families in Bethlehem, where Christianity is a minority. With recent events in Israel causing a decline in tourism, your support can make a significant difference in their lives. Items are available for purchase weekdays in the church office and this Saturday before/after service.



Gingerbread Bash

Sunday, Dec. 15, 4-5:30 PM

Join us Sunday, Dec. 15, 4-5:30 PM in the school cafeteria for this fun and interactive experience designed for the whole family! We're going to build a gingerbread nativity while celebrating the birth of Jesus. More than that, you'll hear the Christmas story from the Bible, sing songs, play games, and discover the good news of Jesus through candy canes. It's a truly sweet way for your family to celebrate the birth of Jesus! RSVP [here](#).



Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday

Bill Wells
Reagan Marquardt
Caleb Norman
Mikki Senkarik
Shannon Diamond-Lopez
Nathan Wiederhold
Lisa Johnston
Brian Murray
Olivia Wright
Karen Carter
Megan Schillerstrom
Linda Roese
Ronnie Sommerfield

Happy Anniversary

Matt & Martha Williams
Brian & Mary Soesbee
Ryan & Sara Bielefeldt
Michael & Angela Brohammer
Roger & Sheila Herzog
Ben & Lauren Faske

Calendar

Dec. 1

Bible Class 8 AM - Sky Rms. 2 & 3
Worship 9 & 10:30 AM - Church

Dec. 2

Bible Class w/Nancy Overland-Marshall 6 PM - FLC Sky Rm. 3

Dec. 3

Joy in the Morning w/Karen Stein 9:30 Church Music Rm.
Seasoned Sisters w/Alice Klement 10 AM - Church Youth Rm.
Book Study w/Bertha Moher 10 AM - Off Campus
Book Study w/Craig Cannon 6:30 PM - SHLC Music Rm.
DivorceCare w/Annette Alvarado 6:30 PM - FLC Sky Rm. 3

Dec. 4

SHLS Chapels 8:15 & 9:30 AM
LWML 9:30 AM - Rm. 61
Advent Midweek Worship 12 & 7 PM - Church
Modern Hymn Band Rehearsal 6 PM - Church

Dec. 5

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

Dec. 6

Bible Class w/Brenda Rosales 10 AM - FLC Sky Rm. 1

Dec. 7

ConKerr Cancer 8AM - FLC Sky Rm. 1
Women's Grief Support 10 AM - Church Music Rm.
Bible Study w/Pastor Rick Pfaff 4:45 PM - FLC Sky Rm. 1
Saturday Service 6 PM - Worship Center



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