

SUNDAY MAY 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2025



**SHEPHERD** *of the* **HILLS**  
CALVARY CHAPEL

**DOING LIFE TOGETHER**  
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER AND ORDER OF WORSHIP



## VERSE OF ENCOURAGEMENT

"God is our refuge and  
strength, an ever-  
present help in trouble."

*Psalms 46:1*

## Message Series:

**CALM THROUGH THE CRISIS**

**PASSAGE**

*Psalms 27*



### 8:00 AM Service Worship

God Is My Refuge (701)  
We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise  
(213)  
It Is Well with My Soul (705)

#### **Closing:**

Leaning on the Everlasting  
Arms (575)

### 9:30 & 11 AM Service Worship

Blessed Be Your Name  
Unchanging  
Anchor  
It Is Well with My Soul

*Song Lyrics on pages 3-4*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

**SUBMIT  
PRAYER REQUESTS**

**VISITORS**

**GIVING**

**BIBLE**

**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 at each entrance to the sanctuary. You can also give electronically here: [www.soth.church/giving](http://www.soth.church/giving)

**Shepherd 101: May. 18th @ 12:15 PM.** *If you are new to Shepherd, join us for our Shepherd 101 class. Lunch is provided, sign up at the Event Sign-up Kiosk.*

**Wednesdays: H2O Kids & H2O Jr. / Sr. High (K-12th Grade) 6:30 PM & Verse-By-Verse Service 7:00 PM**

**Baptism Sundays, May 25<sup>th</sup> 12:15 PM and July 6th 12:15 PM.** Sign up at the Event Sign-Up Kiosk.

**Sunday School Teachers Needed** *For the months of June, July, and August in the Pre-K/K class. Asking for a one-month commitment only. Lessons and material will be provided. Contact Renee Miller for more info.*

**The Church Directory correction printout is now available for pickup at the Welcome Desk.**

**Women's Ministry Bonfire Fellowship, Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:30 PM**

**Pentecost Missions Gathering & Luncheon, Sunday, June 8, 12:15 PM.** *Join us for a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall and learn more about the missions work we support around the world. Please sign up at the Event Sign-up Kiosk.*

**VBS Volunteers Meeting, Sunday, June 1st 12:15 PM.** *If you are volunteering for our 2025 VBS program (June 23-27), join us for a meeting on Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup> in the Fellowship Hall following morning services. Decoration kits are also available to take home today!*

**VBS Registration is now open!** *Kids from ages 3 to 6th grade are invited to join us for Vacation Bible School, June 23-27, 9:00 AM – Noon. Register online at [www.soth.cc/vbs2025](http://www.soth.cc/vbs2025)*

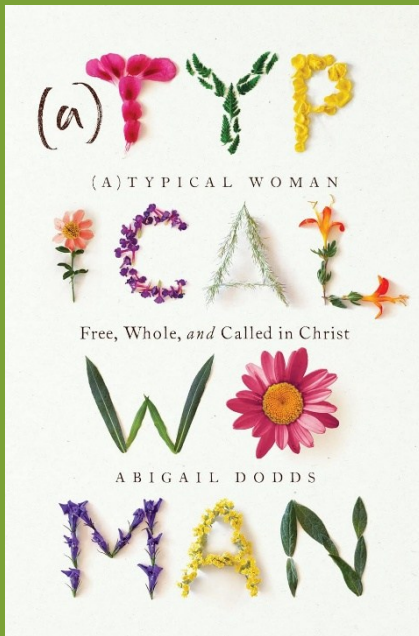
**Women's Ministry Retreat Registration Open: September 12-14** *Registration is open for our fall retreat at Spruce Lake Retreat Center. The cost is \$200 per person. Reserve your spot by signing up online or on our church app (1/2 cost due as deposit during sign-up).*

**We ask everyone to please refrain from bringing food or snacks into the sanctuary. Thank you.**

## BOOK of the month

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

### (A)TYPICAL WOMAN By Abigail Dodds



In a culture that can belittle womanhood on the one hand—making it irrelevant—and glorify it on the other—making it everything—it's hard to know what it really means to be a woman. But when we understand womanhood through the lens of Scripture, we see that we need a bigger category for what God has called "woman."

This book breathes fresh air into our womanhood, reminding us what life in Christ—as a woman—looks like. When we see that we are women in all we do, we can be at peace with how God has created us, recognizing womanhood as an essential part of Christ's mission and work.

Pickup your copy at Chronicles Christian Books today!

# Songs of Worship

*Contemporary Service – 11:00 AM Live Stream*

## **Blessed Be Your Name**

**CCLI #3798438 | Beth Redman and Matt Redman**

### *Verse 1*

Blessed be Your name  
In the land that is plentiful  
Where Your streams of abundance flow  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be Your name  
When I'm found in the desert place  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed be Your name

### *Pre-Chorus*

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll  
Turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in Lord  
Still I will say

### *Chorus*

Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name

### *Verse 2*

Blessed be Your name  
When the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's all as it should be  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be Your name  
On the road marked with suffering  
Though there's pain in the offering  
Blessed be Your name

### *Pre-Chorus*

### *Chorus*

### *Bridge*

You give and take away  
You give and take away  
My heart will choose to say  
Lord blessed be Your name

## **Unchanging**

**CCLI #4016669 | Chris Tomlin**

### *Verse 1*

Great is Your faithfulness  
Great is Your faithfulness  
You never change  
You never fail O God

### *Verse 2*

True are Your promises  
True are Your promises  
You never change  
You never fail O God

### *Chorus*

So we raise up holy hands  
To praise the Holy One  
Who was and is and is to come  
Yeah we raise up holy hands  
To praise the Holy One  
Who was and is and is to come

### *Verse 3*

Wide is Your love and grace  
Wide is Your love and grace  
You never change  
You never fail O God  
(REPEAT)

### *Chorus*

### *Bridge*

You were You are  
You will always be  
You were You are  
You will always be

### *Chorus*

### *Tag*

Who was and is and is to come  
Who was and is and is to come

# Songs of Worship

*Contemporary Service – 11:00 AM Live Stream*

## Anchor

CCLI #6514121 | Ben Fielding and Dean Ussher

### Verse 1

I have this hope  
As an anchor for my soul  
Through ev'ry storm  
I will hold to You

### Verse 2

With endless love  
All my fear is swept away  
In ev'rything  
I will trust in You

### Chorus

There is hope in the promise of the cross  
You gave ev'rything to save the world You love  
And this hope is an anchor for my soul  
Our God will stand unshakable

### Verse 3

Unchanging One  
Who was and is to come  
Your promise sure  
You will not let go

### Chorus

### Chorus

### Bridge

Your Name is higher  
Your Name is greater  
All my hope is in You  
Your word unfailing  
Your promise unshaken  
All my hope is in You

## It Is Well with My Soul

CCLI #25376 | Horatio G. Spafford and Philip Paul Bliss

### Verse 1

When peace like a river attendeth my way  
When sorrows like sea billows roll  
Whatever my lot thou hast taught me to say  
It is well It is well with my soul

### Chorus

It is well with my soul  
It is well It is well with my soul

### Verse 2

Tho' Satan should buffet  
Tho' trials should come  
Let this blest assurance control  
That Christ hath regarded  
My helpless estate  
And hath shed His own blood  
For my soul

### Chorus

### Verse 3

My sin O the bliss of this glorious tho't  
My sin not in part but the whole  
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more  
Praise the Lord Praise the Lord O my soul

### Verse 4

And Lord haste the day  
When the faith shall be sight  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll  
The trump shall resound  
And the Lord shall descend  
Even so it is well with my soul

### Chorus

# VOLUNTEER CORNER

The ministry of Shepherd of the Hills Calvary Chapel is not possible without the help of many volunteers who give their time and talents to serve in various areas of the church.

## Serving Today 05/11

Welcome Desk: Mary S.

Greeters: Bill & Sybilla G. / Terry & Gail L. / Margret S.

Calvary Cafe: Karla O. / Frank & Eileen D.

Chronicles Books: Patti W.

## Calvary Kids Ministry

Crib Room (9:30): Diane K.

Toddler Care (9:30): Sarah M. & Diane B.

Children's Church (11:00): Karen & Jon S.

## A/V Team

Sound: Dolly K. / Brad S.

Video: Stan K. / Gail A. /

## Logistics Team

Deacon: Paul L.

Offering Counters: Ginny & Rob S.

## Serving Next Week 05/18

Welcome Desk: Diane K.

Greeters: Kevin & Stephanie H. / Roger & Sharon E. / Stacy S.

Calvary Cafe: Irene & Allen S. / Chevelle P. & Sierra M.

Chronicles Books: Donna C.

## Calvary Kids Ministry

Crib Room (9:30): Sarah M.

Toddler Care (9:30): Elizabeth L & Eileen D.

Children's Church (11:00): Renee & Jon M.

## A/V Team

Sound: Neil S. / Ken N.

Video: Paul Y. / Sharon M.

## Logistics Team

Deacon: Ken N.

Offering Counters: Jeannette K. / Marie M. / Donna C.

## SOTH CC 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.*

**Toddler Care Room Assistant:** We are looking for volunteers to assist in our Toddler Care Room during the 11:00 AM Service. This is a rotating schedule (once every 4-6 weeks). Please contact Renee Miller at [rmiller@soth.church](mailto:rmiller@soth.church) if interested in helping. Per PA law, background clearances will be needed.

**Building Upkeep Volunteers:** We are seeking individuals who are interested in helping to clean the building and perform general upkeep as needed. If interested, please contact the church office at [info@soth.church](mailto:info@soth.church)

**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](mailto:media@soth.church)

**Connect Group Leader:** We are currently looking for people to host in-home small groups. The person must 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 Jason at [jwells@soth.church](mailto:jwells@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](#), through our [Mobile App](#), or at Chronicles Christian Books.

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.

# May Missions

"Since I was a teen, I knew that God designed me for a purpose (Psalm 139) and that doing anything else with my life would be unfulfilling. God placed a desire in my heart to serve young adults, giving me the passion and creativity to reach them in a relevant way. We came to fall in love with ministry while working at a Christian camp in Lebanon, NJ. It was the first time we saw clearly how serving God was fulfilling our purpose in life and that nothing else would satisfy."- Jeff

"I have wanted to minister to young women since God drew me back to Himself in college. Helping Jeff lead the young adult group at our church has grown my faith and developed my confidence to teach and lead. I believe God has blessed us and raised us up here because He wants us to reach out to the youth of New Jersey."- Karen

**Jeff and Karen Grant** are our **Missions Commitment** focus for the month of May. The Grants currently serve in Orlando Florida with CRU.

After college, Jeff and Karen were blown away to discover that young adults are responsive to the gospel if approached in a relevant manner. It was through this group that we first felt called to reach out to this age group.

With an aching heart to serve God in full-time Ministry, both Jeff and Karen were captured instantly by the passion of Cru when introduced to it through a church member. This was the answer to years of prayer!

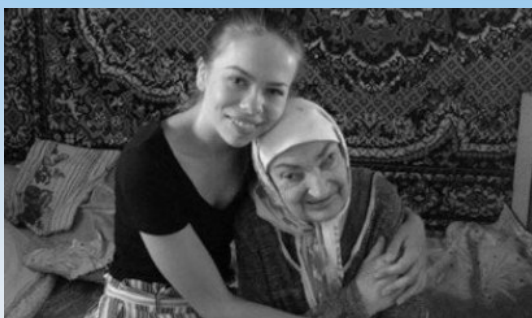
CRU's mission statement- Helping to fulfill the Great Commission in the power of the Holy Spirit by winning people to faith in Jesus Christ, building them in their faith and sending them to win and build

others; and helping the Body of Christ do evangelism and discipleship

[Read more about Jeff and Karen online...](#)



## MAY 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.”

**Heroes International is our Vision Project for the month of May.**

Heroes International is a collaborative charity bringing life-changing relief to orphans, widows, and the disadvantaged.

Currently providing help to Ukrainian refugees:

- Staff work to transport refugees (particularly widows and orphans) impacted by war and civil unrest to safe spaces
- Staff are often driving hundreds of miles daily to deliver aid like medicine, food, bottled water and other essentials to people in shelters.



**HEROES INTERNATIONAL**  
WHERE ORDINARY BECOMES EXTRAORDINARY

# Monthly Updates

## An Update from the Pastor...

**Hi church! Welcome to Spring! At the church, this is one of the most exciting times of the year, and for several reasons. First, we celebrate Easter in Spring, which we did last month. It was a great Holy Week filled with worship, fellowship, and time in the Word. We also welcomed a number of first-time visitors that week who decided to make this their home church.**

We are also getting ready for Vacation Bible School, in June. While it may seem like that is in the distant future, it will be here before anyone knows. That means this is the time we are getting ready with volunteers, registrations, artwork, and other prep that needs done before the kids show up. So please keep this year's VBS in your prayers. Also, consider helping if you haven't already signed up – we need all

the help we can get!

May also sees the annual East Coast Pastors Conference for Calvary Chapel, held in Philadelphia. For three days, over 2000 pastors and church leaders from Maryland to Maine will gather and worship, study, pray, and be filled. Please pray that this year's conference will result in a fresh pouring out of the Holy Spirit into the pastors and churches, and that we will

see revival in our nation.

We are also looking forward to baptisms this summer. We already have the first one planned for Memorial Day weekend. After that, baptisms will be held in July, August, September, and (weather depending) October. If you would like to be baptized, please sign up at the kiosk, online, or fill out a yellow card in the back of the seats.

Like I said, this is a busy time but praise the Lord for a vibrant and thriving ministry!

Pastor Collin Monger  
Senior Pastor



## Property Updates

The church property is large – between 15 and 20 acres. That means it takes constant upkeep and work to ensure it remains capable of meeting the needs of the ministry. Here are some recent updates regarding the property:

Mulch was added to the playground. In total, about 40 cubic yards of mulch was added and it looks great! Thank you to all who helped.

We held our annual spring-cleaning day and many people came out to help, and the building and property look fantastic.

Please continue to pray for a building to meet the increasing needs of the youth and school-aged ministries within the church.

We are planning to add benches near the water fountain out front. A small group generously donated money for that project last year and with the weather warming up, it will be nice to be able to sit next to the waterfall. So be on the lookout for that.

The library renovation is in full swing with the room being turned into a conference room better suited for meetings, classes, and Bible studies. The books and shelves are gone, and we have had several people sign up to help with drywall. If you would like to help with this project, please let us know by filling out a yellow card in the sanctuary seats.

Our mowing team is doing a great job with maintaining the property. If you are interested in helping with mowing or other ground maintenance (like pulling weeds, trimming, leaf collection in the fall, etc.), please let us know by filling out a yellow card.



Thank you all for your continued help and support! Please pray for our volunteers who help with the property and please consider serving in this area if you are able!



# Servant spotlight

## Wendy Saltzer

Currently serving: Property Ministry, Security Team, Cleaning Team



Wendy has been attending Shepherd of the Hills Calvary Chapel since the early 2000s and has served in a variety of ministries from Children's ministry to groundskeeping, to cleaning and building security. She is always willing to give a helping hand and loves helping out whenever needed.

### MUSIC MOMENTS

#### "Through Christ in Me"

**"I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." – Galatians 2:20**

"To this I hold my hope is only Jesus, all the glory evermore to Him. When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat yet not I but through Christ in me."

I love singing songs that are full of meaning and theology. Don't get me wrong I think there's also great value in singing a chorus or a song that only has one central theme. But songs like "Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me" pack a wealth of theological concepts, Biblical truths and statements that are core to our faith and a great reminder of what we believe.

This fairly new worship song written in early 2018 is a worship song I consider a great creed of our faith and underscores our need for our Savior Jesus Christ. It is a powerful reminder of what He has done for us through His death and resurrection, but also serves as a great reminder of our need for Him each day.



## Spiritual Care:

### The Veil Was Torn

**Mathew 27:51.** Prior to Christ's death, the temple veil blocked access to the Holiest of Holies, where God's presence resided. Only the high priest could enter annually to make atonement for sins, leaving others separated from God. Through Christ's sacrifice for our sins, the veil was torn, allowing all believers direct entry to God's presence. As Christians, we are sealed by the Holy Spirit, liberated to enjoy a close relationship with Him. However, mental health challenges can spark unwanted intrusive thoughts and impulsive actions, leading us to question our salvation.

Be confident: Christ's sacrifice redeems us, and the Spirit anchors us. We can approach God boldly, fully assured of our salvation, regardless of our struggles.

This assurance empowers us to navigate life's trials with hope. While mental health struggles may persist, they do not define our standing before God. The torn veil

signifies that no barrier, neither sin nor suffering, can separate us from His love. By relying on the Holy Spirit, we find strength to confront our challenges and grow in faith. We are invited to bring our burdens to God in prayer, trusting that His grace is sufficient. As we rest in Christ's finished work, we can live with courage, knowing our salvation is secure and our relationship with God is eternal.

For more counsel and prayer around life's difficult challenges, reach out to Pastor Jason 610-754-6446 extension 23 or email at [jwells@soth.church](mailto:jwells@soth.church).







Calvary Kids is the children's ministries of Shepherd of the Hills Calvary Chapel, it includes everything kid: Sunday school, children's church, our care room and the infant's crib room are all included. In addition, our summer Vacation Bible School, our Wednesday night H2O Kids, and other children's events are all part of Calvary Kids.

#### **Sunday Morning Kids Ministries:**

8:00 AM Service: Kids are dismissed following the Good News Mystery Box to the Children's Room for a Bible lesson followed by fellowship and play.

9:30 AM Service: Kids are encouraged to attend our Sunday School for all ages for the whole 9:30-10:30 AM hour. We also have childcare for infants and toddlers.

11:00 AM Service: Kids are dismissed following the Good News Mystery Box to Children's Church and Care Room

#### **Preschool - Kindergarten Sunday School:** Adventures of Moses (Meets upstairs in PreK Classroom)

The children are starting a new Sunday School Series, "Adventures of Moses" They will be learning the following Scriptures this month.

- A Special Baby: Exodus 2:1-10, Kids will learn, "God can help me no matter what"
- The Burning Bush: Exodus 3:1-12, Kids will learn, "God shows me what is right, even if I don't know"
- Let my People Go: Exodus 7:8-2, Kids will learn, "God helps me do things that are hard, even when I don't think I can"
- God Parts the Sea: Exodus 14:9-29, Kids will learn, "I can trust God no matter what"

#### **1st - 4th Grade Sunday School:** (Downstairs Classroom)

The kids have just finished the series, "Opposite Day", Radical Wisdom from The Sermon on the Mount. We have started to teach a new series titled, "Psalms, The Big Book of Big Emotions". We taught the first lesson at the end of April, starting with Anxiety, Psalm 1, turning to God when I feel anxious. Parents, please see the "Make it Stick" papers we send home with the children, for a better description and how to reinforce what they are learning throughout the week.

- Sadness: Psalm 6: Kids will learn, "I can talk to God when I'm sad and He will comfort me"
- Confidence: Psalm 19: Kids will learn, I can be confident because of God's power, not my own."
- Peace: Psalm 23: Kids will learn, God gives us peace even in hard times"
- Loneliness: Psalm 25: Kids will learn, "God is there when I feel alone"

#### **Sunday School 5th and 6th Grade:** (Downstairs Classroom)

The kids will be finishing the study on "The Prodigal Son" They will then begin a journey through "The Sermon on the Mount, starting with a discussion on The Way, The Truth and The Life.

#### **Wednesday Evening Ministry - 6:30-8:30: H2O Kids - Drop off at the Fellowship Hall**

Please sign your children in at the Fellowship Hall. All the children start the evening together with games, a skit and worship. The age groups split up, K-2nd grades/3rd-5th grades for the Lesson, small group discussion and craft.

The children are starting a new Bible Series, "Gone Fishing", Committed to Jesus, Hook, Line and Sinker. A fishing-themed series looking at the ministry of Jesus.

#### **Scripture inspiration: Mark 1:17, "Come and follow me and I will make you fishers of men"**

- On the Hook: Luke 10:38-42, Mary and Martha  
The children will learn that spending time with Jesus might mean saying no to other things.
- Not Just A Fish Story: Mark 9:14-29, Jesus Heals a Boy  
The kids will learn that Jesus can take away my doubts.
- Cast Out Your Line: Matthew 17:24-27, Coin from a Fish  
Children will learn God will meet all of my needs, sometimes in unexpected ways.
- A Fish Out of Water: Bartimaeus Receives His Sight  
Kids will learn if I seek after Jesus, He will change my life for the better.

Have your children bring a friend or neighbor to Youth club so they too can hear about Jesus and have fun while learning. Please pray for the teachers, helpers and the children, asking that we all be led by the Holy Spirit as we dig into God's amazing Word.

God Bless,

Renee Miller

Women & Children's Ministry Director



# Shepherd of the Hills CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

As the school year comes to a close, we celebrate the growth, joy, and achievements of our young learners! The children have blossomed in so many ways, and we are proud of their journey. The conclusion of the year is our End-of-Year Program & Kindergarten Graduation on May 22. The students will also be showing off some of their schoolwork in the fellowship hall following the program.

We also honor Karen Parke, who is retiring after years of dedicated service. Her kindness and commitment have

Our Christian School operates here at Shepherd of the Hills, Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. There are a total of 5 classes ranging from ages 3 to kindergarten with approximately 40+ students enrolled for the 2024-2025 school year.

shaped so many young lives, and we are beyond grateful to have had her as part of the staff. Her devotion and calming presence will absolutely be missed. Consequently, we are searching for a part-time school aide (Monday, Wednesday, Friday) to help in the school. Interested applicants can apply online.

Registration remains open for the 2025-2026 school year. If you have a child who is Preschool-Kindergarten age, [click or tap here](#) to register or, if you have questions or would like to meet with someone about the school, contact pastor Charles to arrange a tour.

## H2O HIS TO OWN YOUTH UPDATES

We're excited to share with you the latest experiences in our Youth Ministry as we exit the final month of the winter season. The past few months have been filled with growth, community, and opportunities to serve, and we are eager to keep the momentum going as we prepare for the spring season. Here's a quick look at what's been happening with our Middle School and High School H2O groups.

**Our Middle School & High School groups meet every Wednesday night from 6:30-8:30 PM for Bible study, games, and small group discussions.**

As the school year winds down, our youth group reflects on the incredible year so far; the experiences we have shared, the friendships strengthened, faith that has deepened, and countless memories made. Just because the academic year is ending, it does not mean the adventure stops!

Mark your calendars for Mother's Night Out on May 10! This event, designed to serve mothers of the church, offers moms an opportunity to drop off their children and enjoy a childless evening. Kids can be dropped off as early as 5:00PM and must be picked up by 9:00PM. The kids will enjoy a pizza dinner, playtime on the playground, and a movie in the Shepherd's Den. Please register before hand so we know how many children to expect!



Then, on Youth Sunday, June 8, our youth look forward to leading the congregation in a time of worship as they help lead the congregation in praise and share testimonies about the ways God is working in their lives! We are grateful for the prayers and support of the congregation, and we look forward to a summer filled with connection and growth. (For more details or information feel free to contact pastor Charles.)

God Bless,  
Pastor Charles

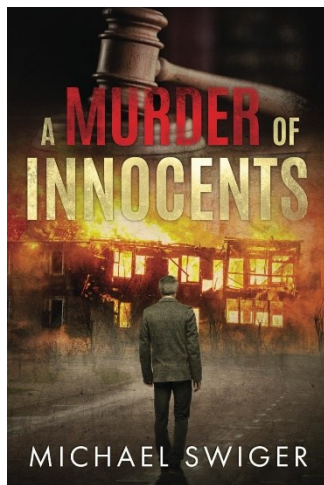


# Chosen by GRACE

Women's Ministry

**"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.... forgive as the Lord forgives. And over all these virtues, put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity." -Colossians 3:12 – 14**

Fellowship is so important for Christians, and we are so grateful to Shepherd of the Hills Calvary Chapel for giving us the opportunity to gather, to share our lives and our love of our Great God! April was such a fabulous month for us ladies. We started with a Passover Seder meal, hosted for the congregation. How amazing is our God and His promises to his people that the elements of the Seder Meal, which the Lord instituted during the Exodus, point to Jesus as our sacrificial Lamb.



*Ladies Book Club book for May*

## Upcoming Women's Ministry Events:

### A Passover Seder Meal: Saturday April 12th, 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Wm's Book Club met to discuss a very interesting Christian Murder Mystery Book, "Trial of Innocents".

Registration for the Retreat at Spruce Lake this September has opened. More information is available on [Sprucelake.org](http://Sprucelake.org). Please sign up for any events on the Kiosk, App or on our website, [www.soth.church](http://www.soth.church). Also you can email Renee Miller, [rmiller@soth.church](mailto:rmiller@soth.church)

### Book Club: May 16th, 6:30 PM, in the Parlor

Book club will meet at 6:30, in the Parlor, to discuss another Christian Contemporary Thriller, written by Michael Swiger. "Murder of Innocents" is the highly anticipated sequel to last month's book, "Trial of Innocents". The book is currently available at Chronicles Book Store for \$14.00. Audiobook does carry this book as well as Kindle.

### Women's Ministry Event Bonfire: May 23, 6:30 PM

Come join us for worship, the Word and fellowship by the fire. We will be meeting Friday evening, at our firepit, located in the back of the church. Hotdogs, smores and snacks will be provided. \*Please bring a chair, flashlight and water bottle.

## Ladies Bible Studies

We currently have 4 Women's Bible Studies meeting: \*Please note it is never too late to join a study, whether the topic has just started or is halfway through, just come!

**Tuesday evening:** Gail Berger, 6:30 PM, meets in the Library, on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month

The ladies are currently studying, line by line, the Book of Daniel. A Major Prophet in the Old Testament.

**Wednesday Morning:** Renee Miller, 9:30-12:00, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, in the Parlor.

Continuing in the study, "A Fresh Start". A study in the Book of Ezra, let us put the past behind and start afresh as we learn more about our Great God, who restores, rebuilds and revives His people. The book is available in Chronicles Book Store for \$5.00

**Wednesday Afternoon:** Margaret Schaffer, 12:00-2:00, meets every week in the Library

Currently studying "12 Extraordinary Women" by John McArthur

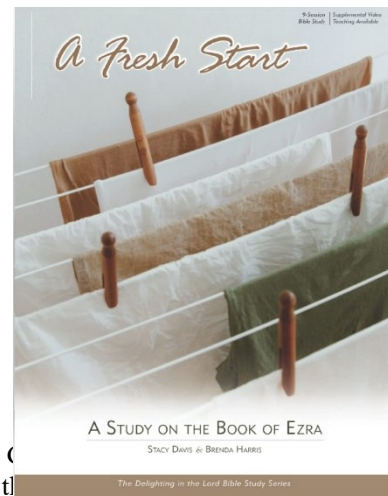
Celebrated for their courage, vision, hospitality and giftedness, it's no wonder women were so important to the NT. It wasn't their natural abilities that made them extraordinary, but the power of the one true God whom they followed.

**Mother's Group:** for mothers with children through 12th grade: Heather Wells Bible Study on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 6:00, in the Parlor.

The women are finishing the final chapter in "The Emotionally Healthy Woman", by author Geri Scazzero, on May 13th. They will begin a new study, "Life Management for Busy Women: Living Out God's Plan with Passion", written by Elizabeth George, on the 27th. Elizabeth teaches us how to Live each day God's Way, of busyness and find a balanced life, be a better steward of resources, helps readers apply and solidify transforming new habits.

This month we celebrate Mother's Day, to honor and praise the women who have mothered us or are mothering their children now. Mothers have a specific role that was given to them by God. Whether you are a physical or spiritual mother, you nurture and guide with selfless devotion, which is a reflection of the love of our Heavenly Father. What a blessing and privilege it is for me to wish you a Happy Blessed Mother's Day. I pray the Lord give you wisdom to guide your children in the ways of the Lord. That He gives strength from above, joy in your heart, peace in your soul, laughter to share and hope that abounds in Jesus.

Renee Miller, Women & Children's Ministry Director





## GET INVOLVED AT SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS

Nothing about the Christian faith is by accident, it all requires being intentional about your relationship with God. We encourage everyone who attends Shepherd of the Hills to this intentional approach to our church through service and fellowship.

Every third Sunday we offer a Shepherd 100 class for those who are interested in learning more about our church community. These classes begin with Shepherd 101 where you'll get an introduction to our church and the various ministries that you can serve in. Our Shepherd 102 class walks through the Calvary Chapel Distinctives. Finally, our Shepherd 103 class walks through the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and how to use your gifts for service in the church.

If you would like to attend a Shepherd 100 class, please sign up at the Event Sign-Up kiosk in the foyer or [email Pastor Jason at jwells@soth.church](mailto:jwells@soth.church) to be added to the list.

## MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

### CALVARY KIDS ministry

Calvary Kids is the children's ministries of Shepherd of the Hills Calvary Chapel, it includes everything kid for a Sunday morning. Sunday school, children's church, our care room, and the infant's crib room are all included. During the first service we offer childcare and provide a friendly engaging atmosphere for the children. During the 9:30 AM service, 9:30-10:30, there is a class dedicated to each child's age group and geared towards

"Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.'"

*Matthew 19:14*

teaching them solid biblical theology at their level!



During our 11:00 AM service, we offer a children's church program. After the worship time the children are led by one of our Discipleship Oasis teachers to their appropriate room. At each room, we have some incredible volunteers

who are committed to the ministry of children. If you have a passion for children's ministry or want to know more about Discipleship Oasis contact Renee Miller, our Women & Children's Ministry director.



### 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.

