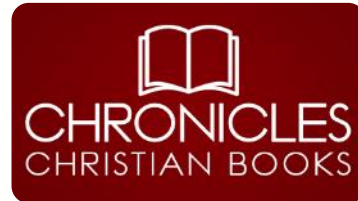


SUNDAY JULY 6TH, 2025



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CALVARY CHAPEL

DOING LIFE TOGETHER
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER AND ORDER OF WORSHIP



VERSE OF ENCOURAGEMENT

"Sing to God, sing
praises to his name; lift
up a song to him who
rides through the
deserts; His name is the
Lord; exult before him!"

Psalm 68:4



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Songs of Worship
Moment of Prayer
Announcements
Message
Closing Worship

Message Series:

GENESIS TO JESUS

PASSAGE
Genesis 2

11:00 AM Outdoor Service Worship

Let It Rise
My Redeemer Lives
Our God
Great Are You Lord

Song Lyrics on pages 3-4

GENESIS  **JESUS**



SERVICE TIMES

11:00 AM
Outdoor 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

TODAY! Outdoor Service & Fellowship Picnic July 6th 11:00 AM. Join us on July 6th for an Outdoor Service and Fellowship Picnic (weather permitting). Please note there will only be one service at 11:00 AM.

TODAY! Baptism Sunday, July 6th 12:15 PM. Following the outdoor service at the front baptismal fountain.

Women's Ministry Bonfire, July 18th at 6:30 PM Ladies join us for a summer bonfire on Friday, July 18th. If weather turns, we will move inside for our "Pajama Game Party." Sign up online or at the Event Sign-Up Kiosk.

Wednesdays: H2O Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group 6:30 PM & Verse-By-Verse Service 7:00 PM

H2O Kids Summer Camp every other Wednesday 6:30–8:30 PM. Kids entering K-5th are welcome to join us on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays – **next gathering July 16th – be sure kids bring a water bottle, beach towel, and something they can get wet in.**

Friends for Life Baby Bottle Blast & Christmas in July continues. Stop by the display in the foyer and pick up a bottle and fill it with a donation for Genesis Women's Clinic. You can also take an ornament from the Christmas Tree and purchase items for young families.

Shepherd 103: July 20th 12:15 PM. Discovering Your Gifts of the Holy Spirit and How to Use Them in the Church. Sign up at the Event Sign-up Kiosk

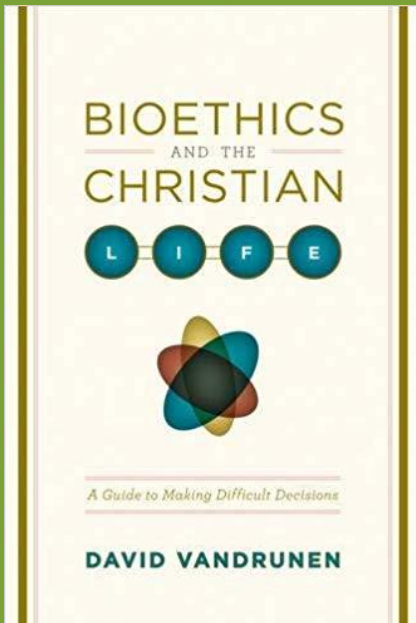
Ladies Book Club, Thursday July 24th at 6:30 PM Pickup your book in Chronicles Christian Books today!

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](#).

Bioethics And The Christian Life



Just about everyone will face a difficult bioethics decision at some point. In this book a theologian, ethicist, and lawyer equips Christians to make such decisions based on biblical truth, wisdom, and virtue.

Though a relatively new discipline, bioethics has generated extraordinary interest due to a number of socially pressing issues. Bioethics and the Christian Life places bioethics within the holistic context of the Christian life, both developing a general Christian approach to making bioethics decisions and addressing a number of specific, controversial areas of bioethics.

Clear, concise, and well-organized, the book is divided into three sections. The first lays the theological foundation for bioethics decision making and discusses the importance of wisdom and virtue in working through these issues. The second section addresses beginning-of-life issues, such as abortion, stem-cell research, and infertility treatments. The third section covers end-of-life issues, such as living wills, accepting and refusing medical treatment, and treatment of patients in permanent vegetative states. Pickup your copy at Chronicles Christian Books today!

Songs of Worship

Contemporary Service – 11:00 AM Live Stream

Let It Rise

CCLI #2240585 | Holland Davis

Verse 1

Let the glory of the Lord
Rise among us
Let the glory of the Lord
Rise among us
Let the praises of the King
Rise among us
Let it rise

Verse 2

Let the songs of the Lord
Rise among us
Let the songs of the Lord
Rise among us
Let the joy of the King
Rise among us let it rise

Chorus

O let it rise
O let it rise

My Redeemer Lives

CCLI #2397964 | Reuben Morgan

Verse

I know He rescued my soul
His blood has covered my sin
I believe I believe
My shame He's taken away
My pain is healed in His name
I believe I believe

Pre-Chorus

I'll raise a banner
'Cause my Lord
Has conquered the grave

Chorus

My Redeemer lives
My Redeemer lives
My Redeemer lives
My Redeemer lives

Verse

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

Chorus

Bridge

You lift my burdens
I'll rise with You
I'm dancing on this mountaintop
To see Your kingdom come

Chorus

Songs of Worship

Contemporary Service – 11:00 AM Live Stream

Our God

CCLI #5677416 | Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman, Jesse Reeves, and Chris Tomlin

Verse 1

Water You turned into wine
Opened the eyes of the blind
There's no one like You
None like You

Verse 2

Into the darkness You shine
Out of the ashes we rise
There's no one like You
None like You

Chorus

Our God is greater
Our God is stronger
God You are higher
than any other
Our God is healer
Awesome in power
Our God our God

Verse 2

Chorus

Bridge

And if our God is for us
Then who could ever stop us
And if our God is with us
Then what could stand against
And if our God is for us
Then who could ever stop us
And if our God is with us
Then what could stand against
Then what could stand against

Chorus

Chorus

Bridge

Great Are You Lord

CCLI #6460220 | Leslie Jordan and David Leonard

Verse

You give life You are love
You bring light to the darkness
You give hope You restore
Ev'ry heart that is broken
And great are You Lord

Chorus

It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise
We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise
To You only

Chorus

Verse

Chorus

Bridge

And all the earth
Will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry
These bones will sing
Great are You Lord

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 07/06

Welcome Desk: Diane K.

Greeters: Edo J./ Bill & Patti W./ Uwe & Mary B.

Calvary Cafe: Sandy & Brian L./ Bill & Carol H./

Konstance & Sarah E.

Chronicles Books: Melanie B.

Calvary Kids Ministry

Crib Room (9:30): Outdoor Service

Toddler Care (9:30): Outdoor Service

Children's Church (11:00): Outdoor Service

A/V Team

Sound: Andrew G.

Video: James W.

Logistics Team

Deacon: Mark F.

Offering Counters: Patti W. & Sharon S.

Serving Next Week 07/13

Welcome Desk: Mary S./Melisa M.

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): Katie L.

Toddler Care (9:30): Karen P. & Shannon E.

Children's Church (11:00): Crystal O. &

Isabella B.

A/V Team

Sound: Dolly K./ Brad S.

Video: Stan K./ Sharon M.

Logistics Team

Deacon: Paul L.

Offering Counters: Ginny & Rob S.

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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 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

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

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.



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.

July Missions

The Stokes 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.

Currently the Stokes cannot return to the tribe at this time due to tribal fighting, but are training natives in a neighboring village.

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

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

grocery store is a plane landing with a couple months' worth of food.

"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."



JULY 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.”

Genesis Women's Clinic in Pottstown, PA is our Vision Project for July

Genesis Women's Clinic provides confidential advocacy to women who are facing an unplanned pregnancy

Women are helped in finding resources based on their situation.

- Pregnancy tests
- Ultrasounds
- Counseling
- Free baby supplies
- Emotional support

Visit display in main lobby to find out more ways you can help support Genesis.

Monthly Updates

An Update from the Pastor...



Hi church! It's great to see what the Lord has been doing at Shepherd! This Spring was busy, and a lot happened but now we are getting into summer, and we are looking forward to many good things!

To begin, we are planning on offering baptisms every first Sunday of summer. So, if you haven't been baptized, please sign up and come out – it is such a wonderful event in a believer's life, and we want to celebrate that with you!

As always, VBS is coming this June and this year we are planning for more kids than last year. The theme is wild west and trains, and volunteers have been busy preparing decorations, props, artwork, and other things to get ready for over 200 kids (as of now) who have already signed up. There will likely be even more since we still have a few weeks to go!

I mentioned in our announcement time a few weeks ago that our preschool and co-op will be merging in the fall, forming the newly named Calvary Chapel Academy. Visit page 10 for more information.

Also, we want to be more intentional about hospitality on Sunday morning. For that reason, my wife, Melisa, has

volunteered to lead the efforts in hospitality. She will be helping to make sure our members and visitors alike have a pleasant and enjoyable experience when they join us for worship. Please welcome her to this when you see her nest!

As always, we have a busy and blessed church! Praise the Lord for His faithfulness at Shepherd over the years. And while we have seen God do many great and wonderful things, I am convinced our best days are still in front of us. Thank you to everyone who prays, serves, gives, participates, and otherwise helps this ministry succeed. None of this would be happening without you!

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:

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 nearing completion, with a new hallway sign officially renaming the space as "Conference room." The newly renovated room was used extensively this past month for Vacation Bible School, with the new layout working perfectly to host nearly 50 kids plus adults. We will still need help

finishing the walls with a second coat of paint, installing trim and baseboard, and adding an accent wall on the north side wall adjacent to the cafe. If you would like to help with this project, please let us know by filling out a yellow card in the sanctuary seats.

Our school (Calvary Christian Academy) is expanding this Fall, and we will be preparing the classrooms downstairs to accommodate the increased enrollment. A family in the church has generously donated funds to divide room 22/23 into two full separate classrooms, with room 22 becoming a science lab.

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.

Later this summer we are looking into expanding our bookstore with additional shelving and inventory graciously obtained from another local bookstore that has since gone out of business. The new shelving will expand our inventory and allow us to provide even more resources to help you grow in your faith.

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!

If you have any questions regarding our property or building, feel free to reach out to Pastor Jonathan Grove at 610-754-6446 extension 21 or by email at jgrove@soth.church.

Servant spotlight

Heather Wells

Currently serving: Vacation Bible School, Chosen by Grace Women's Ministry, Children's Ministry



Hello, my name is Heather Wells. I'm the wife of pastor Jason Wells and homeschool mama to three beautiful girls (Scarlett-8, Savannah-6, and Shelby-3). It has been a joy to be able to serve in the toddler room on Sunday mornings, teach Sunday school class sporadically, sub for the SOTH school, and be a lead teacher for VBS every summer. It has been the greatest blessing leading a mom's bible study that meets the 2nd, and fourth Tuesday of the month at SOTH. The Lord put Woven on my heart because he is always weaving everything together for our good ~ I believe he is doing the same with Woven. It has been such a blessing seeing the fruit, fellowship, and growth of the mom's bible study. In the thick of motherhood, having godly connections, sisters in the Lord, and encouragement help immensely in this busy season.

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:

God's Renewing Order in Our Lives

Genesis 1:1-3 begins with divine power: "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth." The earth was formless, void, and dark, but the Spirit of God hovered over the waters. When God declared, "Let there be light," light pierced the chaos, initiating order. This scripture, highlighted in a recent Sunday teaching at our church, showcases God's nature to bring life and structure from disorder and chaos.

Let's take a moment to relate it to mental health struggles, like anxiety and depression, which can feel like that formless void. While inviting God's Spirit into our hearts doesn't guarantee the absence of these challenges, His presence renews our minds and reshapes our perspective. God's transformative word offers hope, helping us see our struggles through His lens of purpose and peace, even when difficulties persist.

One practical step to embrace this renewal is daily prayer. Intentional prayer invites God's ordering presence, reminding us of His power to bring light into darkness. Through prayer, we trust God to guide us, renewing our outlook and strength to face mental health challenges with His enduring hope.

For more counsel and prayer around life's difficult challenges, reach out to Pastor Jason 610-754-6446 extension 27 or email at 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

*****Children are encouraged to bring in their water bottles and Bibles*****

Preschool - Kindergarten Sunday School: Adventures of Moses (Meets upstairs in Pre-K Classroom)

The children are starting a new Sunday School Series, "Angry Words". Our words can hurt people or bring them joy. We can do things God's way-listening to others, not speaking in anger, and telling others about Jesus.

- Kind Words: Listen to others, respect them. You can control what you say and do it with God's help. Little ones will say "I can speak with kind words" James 1:19-27
- Respectful Words: When you are angry or frustrated, take a moment to say "God, I'm angry, help me to say kind words." This will help you say kind, respectful words to others, instead of angry words you may later regret saying: Little ones will say "I can respect others". Exodus 17:1-7
- Listening Ears: Goliath spoke in angry words. But David listened to God's word instead. David did what God told him to do. Little ones will say "I will listen to God". 1 John

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

The kids will be finishing the series titled, "Psalms, The Big Book of Big Emotions". They will be starting a new series called Friends.

- Joy: Joy is not an emotion! Psalm 84
The writer of this psalm is filled with joy thinking about dwelling in the house of the Lord. He teaches us that being in the presence of the Lord and putting our hope in God brings joy. Trusting in God during this journey called life, reminds us that when we put our trust in God, we are truly blessed.
- Davy and Jonny: 1 Samuel 20:1-17
True friends will never turn on you. They will stay faithful, no matter what the cost. David and Jonathan are great examples of friends. They would not let anything come between their friendship.
- Nate and Phil: John 1:43-51
Best friends are bold enough to share the good news of Jesus with their friends. Like Phillip, who brought his best friend, Nathaniel, to Jesus.

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

The kids will be continuing their in-depth journey through "The Sermon on the Mount.

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

Meeting **EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY EVENING** during the summer months. 6:30 PM- 8:30 PM:

JULY 2, 16, 30; AUGUST 13, 27

***Please have your children bring their water bottles and Bibles, extra clothes and towels. Please bring them to the downstairs larger classroom. We will be mostly outside for games, water fun and art fun, the kids will be getting wet and messy!

This year's theme is LAVA LAVA LUA" Keeping cool when things get hot!

Angry Volcano, Cool Shirt, Frustration Beach, Weeping Rains and Sweet Sweet Pineapple will teach us that emotions are a force of nature, but with God's help we can learn to take control before a storm hits!

Scriptures for these studies:

- Numbers 20:1-13 Moses Loses it! "God can help me keep my cool"
- Genesis 4:1-12, Cain and Abel "Having God is enough for me"
- Matthew 7:24-27 House on a Rock "Jesus is my foundation"
- Mark 1:22-30, 37-41; Matthew 28:1-10 Jesus Death and Resurrection "Jesus can give me joy when I am sad"
- Acts 16:16-40, Paul and Silas in jail "I will respond to negative attitude with kindness"
- August 13th: LUA PARTY
- August 27th: Labor Day Lesson: Colossians 3:23-24 We need to all work as if working for the Lord

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



CALVARY CHAPEL ACADEMY

As we move into the next school year (2025-2026), our Preschool, Kindergarten, and homeschool Co-Op will be merging to form the newly named Calvary Chapel Academy.

The Academy will feature Pre-K 3 year old, Pre-K 4 Year old, Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th grade options. To accommodate this growth, a family from our church generously donated funds to update some of the kids' rooms on the lower level, and we will begin that work after VBS. One of these rooms will be outfitted as a science lab for elementary and middle school students.

Calvary Chapel Academy 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.

We will also be bringing on a couple of teachers to help with the increased enrollment. If you are interested in learning more about the program, please visit the website at www.calvarychapel.academy for more information.

If you are interested in applying for a teaching position with CCA, visit the

Ministry opportunities on our Church website www.soth.church/ministries and scroll to the Employment Opportunities section.

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.

I would like to begin by thanking the congregation for allowing the youth to lead the Sunday services on June 8th. These amazing students led us in praise and worship, and several shared personal testimonies about how God is working in their lives. Thank you for the continued support as we work to disciple this generation of youth.



Looking ahead, mark your calendars for a free Father's Day Car Wash on Sunday, June 15th from 8 AM to 12 PM in the church parking lot. This is our youth's way of honoring all the dads in our community with a fun and practical act of service! If you would like a free wash, drive around back anytime during the Sunday services.

Also, we're gearing up for Vacation Bible School from June 23–27, and our youth will be playing a big part by helping lead games, crafts, and sharing God's love with the kids. Please be praying for our youth as they serve and grow in their faith throughout this exciting month.

Thank you again for supporting our youth ministry God is doing great things in and through these young hearts!

God Bless,
Pastor Charles





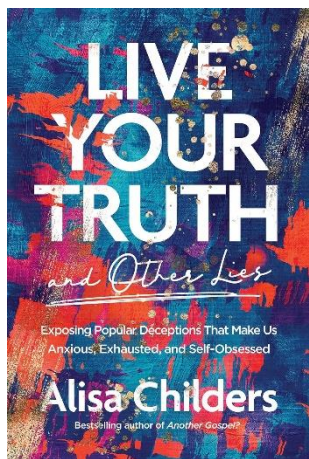
"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.... forgive as the Lord forgives. And over all these virtues, put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity." -Colossians 3:12 – 14

This month's Women's Event is the rescheduled Bonfire, which was canceled a couple times in May, due to bad weather. We will be meeting at 6:30, behind the church, at the firepit. Snacks and refreshments will be served, along with hot dogs to cook over the fire and of course smores! Please bring a water bottle, chair and highly recommend bug spray for pesky mosquitos. If the weather is inclement, we will have a Pajama Game Party in the Parlor. We will still have hot dogs and refreshments, and possibly smores, just not made over the fire.

The Wm's Book Club met to discuss "Dawn of Grace", A historical fiction based around Mary Magdalene's encounter with Jesus. One touch from her Savior and she was never the same again, and neither are we, Praise God!

The limit has been reached for this year's Women's Retreat at Spruce Lake this September 12-14th. The date is getting closer ladies, how exciting!

Upcoming Women's Ministry Events:



Women's Ministry Event Saturday June 7th 10:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Come join us for a day in Lancaster County: We will visit local attractions, go shopping, have lunch and visit The Tabernacle, like the one Moses made during the Israelites 40 years in the desert. The cost for the Tabernacle is \$5.00. We will meet in the church parking lot and carpool to Lancaster. Please bring your water bottle.

Book Club: July 24th, 6:30 PM, in the Parlor (Please take note that this is a Thursday Evening)

The book for this month's meeting is "Live Your Truth (and Other Lies)", by Alisa Childers.

The vain repetition of worldly "wisdom", self-help books, and positive mantras offer hope and fulfillment in life but simply leave people emptier and emptier. Social media tells us what to think; we exhaust 7-12 step plans to achieve ...well, not much. Our culture is brimming with slogans that promise peace, empowerment, freedom and hope. The Problem? THEY ARE ALL LIES!!!

Alisa Childers helps us uncover the common lies repeated within progressive circles. To hold onto the soul restoring truths God's Word offers and be empowered to live the way our Creator designed us.

The book is currently available at Chronicles Book Store, Kindle and Audible.

Ladies Bible Studies

Please note that it is never the wrong time to join a study, whether it is the beginning or middle of the study, 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.

We are in a series for the summer: "Ruth: Delighting in the Redeemer." A love story: Let us glean from the life of Ruth and learn how to emulate love, honor and loyalty. Her story is a reflection of God's love and his redemption toward His beloved. The book is a digital book, and I have printed it out and bound the study for the ladies. Copies are in my office.

Mother's Group: for mothers with children through 12th grade: Heather Wells Bible Study on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 6:00, in the Parlor. They will continue in the study, "Life Management for Busy Women: Living Out God's Plan with Passion", written by Elizabeth George.

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.

I want to share a part of a devotion I was reading this morning. I want to start off by asking you (and me) a couple questions. Are any of you pushing off the good and godly things, the dreams and callings that God has placed within your hearts? The things that bring you joy. Are you waiting for just the "right time", for things to line up perfectly, for things to slow down, for more confidence, for a stronger faith?

Well, God gave us those desires for a reason, and He has a plan. Do not hesitate, step forward in faith, remember that faith as tiny as a mustard seed can move a mountain. Know the Lord is with you, and He is encouraging you, to not work harder, but to live well. Embrace the passions He's placed in your heart, pray about those things, ask for His wisdom and guidance. Ask Him to give you the courage to pursue His will in your life, to turn that spark into a flame. Stop waiting for someday, start living intentionally and pursue God's call on your life today. This is how God designed you to glorify him. What a Great God we serve!

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



The great commission states clearly the directive of the church, to go into all the world and preach the gospel of Jesus. Everyone is called to fulfill the great commission but there are some who are called leave everything and spread the gospel internationally.



And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation."

Mark 16:15

It is our desire to support them in fulfilling their calling. We do this by supporting our monthly mission's commitments, missionaries we support the same months year after year. We also do this by supporting our vision projects, missionaries or organizations who are nominated and selected monthly based on the work they are doing.

The missions committee meets monthly to pray for our missionaries, discuss their needs, and to select upcoming vision projects. All the missionaries we support align with our



statement of beliefs and have been approved by our church elders. The committee normally meets the third Monday of every month; if you have a heart for missions and are interested in join our missions committee speak with Pastor Collin.

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.

