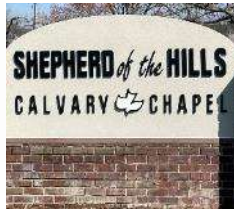
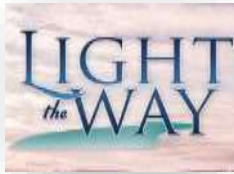


OCTOBER 11TH, 2026



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CALVARY CHAPEL

DOING LIFE TOGETHER
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER AND ORDER OF WORSHIP



VERSE OF ENCOURAGEMENT

"Great is the Lord and
most worthy of praise;
His greatness no one can
fathom."

Psalm 145:3

Teaching Series:



**ORDER OF A GOLDY HOME:
PART 3 – THE GODLY MARRIAGE**

PASSAGE
Ephesians 5

8:00 AM Service Worship

Great Is the Lord (140)
Holy Holy Holy (3)
I Worship You Almighty God
(146)

Closing:

Rise Up O Church of God (433)

9:30 & 11 AM Service Worship

Our God Is Love
What A Beautiful Name
I Speak Jesus
Holy Holy Holy

Song Lyrics on pages 3-4

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome
Songs of Worship
Moment of Prayer
Announcements
Message
Closing Worship



SERVICE TIMES

8:00 AM
Acoustic Service

9:30 AM
Sunday School

9:30 & 11:00 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

THIS WEEK! Wednesday Night Family Meals Fall Session Continues, 5:15 PM – 6:15 PM *Looking to meet fellowship with people from Church? Join us for our family meals beginning this Wednesday! Free to all but bring your own beverage.*

Wednesdays: Calvary Kids Wednesday Night (K-5th Grade) & H2O Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group 6:30 PM & Verse-By-Verse Service 7:00 PM

Calvary Chapel Academy Family Fall Festival, Friday, October 16th, 5:00 PM. *Families with children from 3 years old to 8th grade are welcome to join us for our Family Fall Festival this Friday at 5:00 PM. Hosted by Calvary Chapel Academy, this is a great way to kick off the fall season.*

Family Movie Night, Friday, Nov. 6th, 6:00 PM. *Join us for a Family Movie Night on Friday November 6th. We will be watching the movie "Young Washington" in the Sanctuary. A movie for kids will also be played in the Parlor (Super Mario Galaxy).*

Women's Ministry Breakfast & Craft, Saturday, November 14th, 9:00 AM. *Ladies mark your calendars for our November event, a fellowship Breakfast and Craft. Please sign up at the Kiosk or at the Welcome Desk so we can prepare enough supplies.*

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes *Stop by the table in the Lobby and fill with gifts for children around the world. Return boxes to the lobby by November 22nd.*

Children's Ministry Volunteers Needed: *We need additional volunteers for children's ministry on Sunday morning: an aide for the Pre-K/K Sunday school (9:30) and Children's Church teachers & helpers (11:00). Sign up at the Kiosk in the Lobby or visit the Welcome Desk.*

Ladies Book Club, Thursday, November 5th, 6:30 PM. *Our book selection is available for purchase at Chronicles Christian Books.*

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

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

BOOK of the month

Walking in the Spirit's Power by Gary Hamrick



In *Walking in the Spirit's Power*, Pastor Gary Hamrick leads readers through all 28 chapters of Acts with a practical, balanced, and inspiring view of the important events and topics addressed in the book. From Pentecost and persecution to Paul's testimony, marketplace witness, and courage in crisis, this study explains how the Holy Spirit's might, fruit, gifts, and transformative power shape the life of every believer. You'll see how God works through ordinary, flawed people to spread the gospel and transform hearts.

Pastor Gary Hamrick brings decades of pastoral Bible teaching to this engaging resource for people seeking a deeper understanding of Scripture for their everyday life. Experience Acts as more than ancient history. *Walking in the Spirit's Power* will help you grow in passion, faith, and joy as you discover how God is at work in His people today. Get your copy today at Chronicles Christian Books!

Songs of Worship

Contemporary Service – 11:00 AM Live Stream

Our God Is Love

CCLI #5636866 | Joel Houston and Scott Ligertwood

Verse 1

Ev'ry soul ev'ry beating heart
Ev'ry nation and ev'ry tongue
Come find hope in the love of the Father
All creation will bow as one
Lift their eyes see the risen Son
Jesus Savior forever and after

Chorus

This is love
Jesus came and died and gave His life for us
Let our voices rise and sing for all He's done
Our fear is overcome
Our God is love, Our God is love

Verse 2

Ev'ry distant and broken heart
Ev'ry prayer ev'ry outstretched arm
Finding hope in the love of the Father
Age to age let His praises rise
All the glory for all of time
Jesus Savior forever and after

Chorus

Bridge

Age to age we will be singing
In the light of all He's done
All the earth
Ev'ryone singing in the wonder of His love
Age to age we will be singing
In the light of all He's done
All the earth
Ev'ryone singing

Chorus

Ending

Our God is love, Our God is love

What A Beautiful Name

CCLI #7068424 | Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood

Verse 1

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

Chorus 1

What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is the Name of Jesus

Verse 2

You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now

Chorus 2

What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is the Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is the Name of Jesus

Bridge 1

Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

Bridge 2

You have no rival
You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names

Chorus 3

What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is the Name of Jesus

Ending

What a powerful Name it is the Name of Jesus
What a powerful Name it is the Name of Jesus

Songs of Worship

Contemporary Service – 11:00 AM Live Stream

I Speak Jesus

**CCLI #7136201 | Abby Benton, Carlene Prince,
Dustin Smith, Jesse Reeves, Kristen Dutton, and
Raina Pratt**

Verse 1

I just want to speak
the Name of Jesus
Over ev'ry heart
and ev'ry mind
'Cause I know there is peace
within Your presence
I speak Jesus

Verse 2

I just want to speak
the Name of Jesus
'Til ev'ry dark addiction
starts to break
Declaring there is hope
and there is freedom
I speak Jesus

Chorus

Your Name is power
Your Name is healing
Your Name is life
Break ev'ry stronghold
Shine through the shadows
Burn like a fire

Verse 3

I just want to speak
the Name of Jesus
Over fear and all anxiety
To ev'ry soul held
captive by depression
I speak Jesus

Chorus

Verse 4

Shout Jesus from the mountains
Jesus in the streets
Jesus in the darkness
over ev'ry enemy
Jesus for my fam'ly
I speak the holy Name Jesus
(REPEAT)

Chorus

Holy Holy Holy

CCLI #1156 | John Bacchus Dykes and Reginald Heber

Verse 1

Holy holy holy
Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to Thee
Holy holy holy
Merciful and mighty
God in three persons
Blessed Trinity

Verse 2

Holy holy holy
All the saints adore Thee
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea
Cherubim and seraphim
Falling down before Thee
Which wert and art
And evermore shalt be

Verse 4

Holy holy holy
Lord God Almighty
All Thy works shall praise Thy name
In earth and sky and sea
Holy holy holy
Merciful and mighty
God in three persons
Blessed Trinity

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:

Welcome Desk: Melisa M.

Greeters: Joe M.

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

Chronicles Books: Patti W.

Calvary Kids Ministry

Toddler Care (9:30): Karen P. / Mikaela E.

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

A/V Team

Sound: Dolly K. / Shaun C. / Matt M.

Video: Stan K. / Gail A.

Logistics Team

Deacon: Andy T.

Offering Counters: Rob & Ginny S.

Serving Next Week:

Welcome Desk: Diane K. / Melisa M.

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

Calvary Cafe: Brian & Sandy L. / Chevelle P. / Sierra M.

Chronicles Books: Barb F.

Calvary Kids Ministry

Toddler Care (9:30): Joelle & Mike W.

Children's Church (11:00): Maddie O. & Dylan E.

A/V Team

Sound: Neil S. / Ken N.

Video: Paul Y. / Sharon M.

Logistics Team

Deacon: Mark F.

Offering Counters: Jeannette K. & Sharon S.

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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.

Children's Church Volunteers: We are looking for volunteers to teach in our Children's Church Ministry 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.

October Missions

When David and Lee began in ministry it was with Haven of Hope in Philadelphia. Their objective was to be a place where the Gospel is presented boldly, and women imprisoned by drug addictions can have a new life through faith, hope, and strength in Jesus Christ.

Moving on from there David worked at World Evangelization for Christ (WEC) headquarters in Fort Washington, PA. WEC helps local churches strategically focus their mission and ministry. They develop partnerships with missionaries in the field, recruits missionaries, and sends out short-term teams. It was while working here that David and Lee gained a desire to see the people of Morocco reached with the message of Jesus.

Feeling a calling from the Lord to use his gifts and talents to help evangelize and disciple, David is

David & Lee H. are our **Missions Commitment** focus for the month of October. They serve in the country of Morocco.

currently serving as a pastor of a congregation consisting of mostly sub-Saharan African Christians in the country of Morocco. Lee, his wife, is also working with the church in discipleship and women's ministries.

David: "We ask that you pray for us to be able to visit the new attendees of our church; It's hard to fit in all that we have to do. Pray also for the deepening of the spiritual lives of our leaders and that they will resist the huge temptations that are constantly in their face. Pray for the continued progress on the sanctuary enlargement and that we can learn who to go to get the authorization. Please continue to pray for a hunger and thirst for the Word of God by our

church members. At times, it seems like they are mainly interested in miracles, supernatural manifestations and "prosperity" more than the Giver Himself. Lastly, pray that God will draw those who are in the peripheral of the church family into a vibrant relationship with Him."

OCTOBER 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.”

Operation 143 is our Missions Vision Project for the month of September.

Operation 143 strives to live out God's call to do all things in love, by feeding His children.

Serves the local area by providing meals to students during the weekends.

Works with over 30 schools in the Pottstown, Boyertown, Pottsgrove, and Spring-Ford area.

Operation 143 sends children home with backpacks full of easy to prepare food to bridge the gap of the weekend, with enough food for dinner Friday and breakfast, lunch, and dinner Saturday and Sunday.

Monthly Updates

An Update from the Pastor...

Hi Church! I want to say welcome to Fall (my personal favorite time of year). And what's not to like? S'mores, hot chocolate, leaves changing, holidays, and the FOOD! What a great time it is. As with every change of season, Fall brings with it a lot of activities at the church. We are looking forward to resuming our family meals on Wednesdays. So, be sure to mark your calendar and come on out for dinner.

We are also looking forward to some fellowship events like movie nights, men's breakfasts, pancake Sundays (the third of each month), among other things. So please be sure to read through the bulletin and the newsletters each week – they are filled with a lot of information.

I also wanted to thank everyone for your prayers over the ministry here, especially the school. Who knew the Lord

was going to bless that area the way He has? So, to everyone who has prayed, given, served, enrolled kids, or otherwise helped with the school: thank you – we could not have done it without you!

I also wanted to share the plans for the Sunday message series. The hope is (unless the Lord returns first, that is!) that we will continue our series "Decently and in Order" until right before Thanksgiving. We will have a

Thanksgiving message, and then move into our Christmas season. While we don't do a formal Advent these days, I do like to try and keep with the idea of Advent, devoting each December message to Christmas, culminating on Christmas Eve.

Again, thank you all for all your hard work and prayers as we move into Fall; nothing could happen here without your help and support.

Blessings!

Pastor Collin



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:

Fall has arrived, and with it comes a busy fall season here at the church. Between our school, Wednesday night children and youth activities, and the many family events taking place throughout the season, our property continues to be an important place where ministry and community come together. With so much activity happening each week, there is plenty to keep us busy behind the scenes as we work to care for and maintain our facilities and grounds.

One area where we especially need help is groundskeeping. As the leaves begin to fall, leaf cleanup becomes a significant task. Keeping the grounds neat and safe requires time, effort, and willing hands. If you are able to help with raking, blowing, collecting, or otherwise cleaning up leaves, we would greatly appreciate your

assistance. Whether you can help regularly or simply lend a hand for a cleanup day, your involvement makes a real difference.

We also continue to recognize the need for an auxiliary building. As the number of activities and ministries using our facilities continues to grow, additional space would provide valuable flexibility. An additional building could help accommodate activities, storage, meetings, and other needs while allowing our existing spaces to be used more effectively. Please continue to pray for God's guidance and wisdom, and of course, provision for this future project.

Another exciting development is the beginning of our café relocation project. Work has now started with the removal of the service window between



the kitchen and the parlor/bookstore wall. This is the first step in transforming the space and moving the project forward. We are grateful to see this project getting underway and look forward to the improvements it will bring to our Lobby and Parlor areas.

Again, as we enter this active fall season, we are thankful for everyone who helps care for our property. From those who maintain the grounds to those who assist with projects and improvements, every contribution helps keep our facilities ready for the many people who use them each week. Thank you for your continued willingness to serve, give, and help make our property a welcoming and functional place for ministry.

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

H2O

HIS TO OWN

YOUTH UPDATES

H2O Youth: A New Chapter Ahead

For more than a decade, our youth ministry has carried the name H2O (His to Own)—a title that has served our teens well and reflected a season of growth, discipleship, and community. As our ministry continues to expand, we believe this is the right time to explore a fresh identity that reflects who our students are today and where God is leading them next.

Over the next two months, our Junior High and Senior High students will have the opportunity to submit ideas for a new

youth group name. We've encouraged them to think creatively, prayerfully, and biblically, grounding each name in a meaningful Scripture verse. This process not only invites them to shape the future of their ministry but also helps them engage deeply with God's Word.

In December, our Youth Leadership Team will review all submissions and select the top three finalists. Students will then vote, and the winning name will be revealed in January 2027 during a special kickoff night.

We invite our church family to pray with us as we seek God's direction. Your encouragement means so much to our teens as they step into this exciting new chapter.

MUSIC MOMENTS

"Give Me Faith"

**Give me faith to trust what You say,
that You're good, and Your love is
great, I'm broken inside, I give You
my life.**

The song "Give Me Faith" by Elevation Worship expresses a deep desire for God to transform our hearts and lives. The lyrics recognize that we cannot change ourselves through our own strength, but that we need God to give us faith, renew our hearts, and help us become more like Him. This message connects closely with Romans 12:1–2, where Paul calls believers to offer their bodies as a "living sacrifice" and to be transformed by the renewing of their minds.

Giving ourselves to God means surrendering our own desires, plans, and ways of thinking so that He can shape us according to His will. The song's prayer for God to give us faith reflects this surrender. Faith allows us to trust God even when transformation is difficult or when we cannot see what He is doing.

Romans 12:2 teaches that transformation begins with the renewal of our minds. As we spend time in God's Word, pray, worship, and follow His direction, He changes us from the inside out. "Give Me Faith" reminds us that this transformation is not something we accomplish alone. Instead, we depend on God's power and grace. When we surrender ourselves to Him, He continually molds us into the image of Christ and helps us live according to His perfect will.

Spiritual Care:

A God Who Brings Order to Chaos (Genesis 1)

The story of Creation in the book of Genesis serves as a powerful reminder that our God is deeply intentional. The universe did not come into existence by random chance; rather, every element—from the separation of light and darkness to the breathing of life into humanity—was executed with absolute purpose.

When we battle mental health issues, our internal landscape can mirror the formless and void chaos of primeval reality. Anxiety, depression, and trauma trick us into believing that our suffering is random and meaningless. However, Genesis reveals a sovereign Creator whose Spirit hovers over the dark, turbulent waters before bringing forth life.

We can find profound daily hope in knowing that our pain is not an accidental glitch. The same God who established cosmic boundaries and meticulously organized the universe is actively structuring our lives. He remains present in our

darkest moments, mapping out a plan for restoration and peace.

Ultimately, we can be completely confident that God brings divine order to all things. Your mental health struggles do not catch Him by surprise; they are terrains where His intentional grace is at work, turning chaos into a beautifully purposeful new creation.

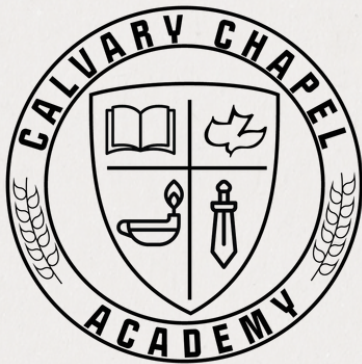
For more counsel and prayer around life's difficult challenges, reach out to Pastor Jason 610-754-6446 extension 27 or email at jwells@soth.church.



THE CALVARY CHAPEL ACADEMY COURIER



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UPCOMING EVENTS

* Picture Day

September 23-25, 2026

School pictures will take place over the course of 3 days. More details will come home the week of. Picture retakes are tentatively set for the next week.

* Harvest Fest

October 16, 2026

Join us for a family-friendly evening of games, hayrides, and fellowship as we celebrate the beauty of God's creation and the blessings of the harvest season. Together, we will enjoy a night of fun while giving thanks to the Lord for His abundant goodness and faithfulness. Stay tuned!

"Let us expect our children to know the Lord. Let us from the beginning mingle the name of Jesus with their ABC."

-Charles Spurgeon



Where Faith Grows

Chapel is such a special part of our week at Calvary Chapel Academy. Each week, our students have the opportunity to worship together, pray and grow in their understanding of who Jesus is. Our prayer is that chapel would be more than just a weekly gathering, but a time when our students' faith is strengthened and they are reminded to keep Christ at the -

center of all they do. This year, Pastor Jason Wells, is leading our students through a special series on what the Bible teaches us about God. Each week, our students are discovering important truths about who God is, and who we are in Him. We're excited to see them grow in their understanding of God's Word and learn how these truths apply to our everyday lives.

Message from the Director

What a blessing it has been to kick off this school year with all of you! We are so excited for the year ahead and all that God has in store for our school community. While the school has experienced some small changes over the past several months, rest assured that we remain the same at our core. We are still a Jesus-first school, with classrooms centered on Christ and a biblical worldview woven throughout every subject.

Our goal is to come alongside you as parents, partnering with you in the education and spiritual development of your children. We are grateful to walk alongside your family this year and look forward to all that God will do through our students, teachers, and school community.



Welcome back!

Chalk the Walk...

Chalk the Walk was such a special way to begin our school year! Our sidewalks were filled with prayers, encouraging messages, and colorful drawings as our families came together to cover our school in love and

prayer. It was a beautiful reminder of the community we have here at Calvary Chapel Academy and the importance of keeping Christ at the center of all we do. And the kiddos' faces lit up at recess as they discovered all the colorful chalk drawings and messages waiting for them!

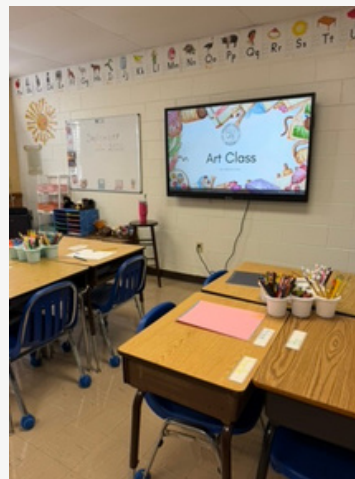


"And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men." Colossians 3:23

We are off to a great start...



We are off to such a great start to the school year, and we are so thankful for all that God is already doing in our classrooms and throughout our school community!



Meet the Teacher

My name is Michaela Schaeffer! This is my second year working at CCA and my first year as CCA's Kindergarten teacher! I am looking forward to continuing to learn and grow as a teacher while making the school years meaningful and fun! I am a member of Butter Valley Community Church, where I am regularly involved in church events and serve as a leader at various youth events. I also serve in the youth programs at the Bally Community Center on weeknights throughout the school year. My faith is at the center of my life, and I am grateful for how God has guided me into the opportunities I have today. Outside of school, I really enjoy hiking and spending time outdoors, as well as playing and watching all kinds of sports!

Get Involved!

We love partnering with our families and invite you to get involved in meaningful ways! Consider joining our PTO, a group of parents and teachers working together to support school events, build community, and enrich our students' experience here at Calvary Chapel Academy. Our first big event this year will be our annual Harvest Fest, taking place Friday, October 16, 2026, and our PTO will be helping coordinate this special event. Join us Monday, September 21, after school for our first PTO meeting of the new school year! We would love to have you be part of this team and help make this school year special for our students and families. We also welcome families who would like to bless our teachers by donating snacks, coffee, or other treats for the Teacher Resource Center throughout the year.



CALVARY CHAPEL ACADEMY





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:

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 songs of worship to Children's Church and Care Room

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

Preschool - Kindergarten Sunday School: (Meets upstairs in Room 15)

*Parents, please see the "Take Home Sheet" your children bring home after class. These papers will show you what they have learned in Sunday School. You can help them throughout the week reinforce what they have learned about God's Word and who He is and how much we are loved by Our Heavenly Father.

The children will finish their last lesson in the teaching series, "Finger Painting with God", and start a new series, "Building Blocks".

New Memory Verse: "Every house is built by someone. But God is the builder of everything" Hebrews 3:4

- Rest-God made a special day for me to rest and remember all He has done. We can remember that God made my family. God made my friends. God made me! The Seventh Day, Genesis 2:1-3
- There is No One Like God-Little Ones will learn that no matter how we may try, no one is as BIG and as GREAT as God! Tower of Babel, Genesis 11:1-9
- God Can Do Anything-The children will learn that there is nothing that God cannot do. The Walls of Jericho, Joshua 6:12-16 and 6:20
- God Watches Over Me- Little Ones will learn that God watches over everything that He has made. Noah's Ark, Genesis 7:1-12

1st-4th Grades (Downstairs Classrooms) *Parents, please look at the "Make it Stick" or "Take Home Papers" we send home with the children. It gives a better description of what was taught and how to reinforce what they have learned throughout the week, as a family. We also send home a memory verse for them to learn. We give them an incentive to remember scripture.

The kids will continue in their study of the Parables, in the series, "Code Breakers, Cracking the Kingdom Code". Jesus spoke about The Kingdom of God, or the Kingdom of Heaven. These stories, called parables, remain a mystery for those who do not have "eyes to see and ears to hear". The kids will examine the clues, break the code, and gain understanding of their role in the Kingdom of God.

Memory Verse: "God you are my God. I seek you with all my heart". Psalm 63:1a

- The Search Is On: Matthew 13:44-46, The Parable of the Hidden Treasure and the Pearls. In these parables, Jesus shows us that God and His Kingdom are so precious, we should be willing to give up everything for them. Puzzle #4 Kids will hunt for their own buried treasure, and uncover the letters MPWFHPE
- Focused and Ready: Matthew 25:1-13, The Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids. Jesus shows us that we need to serve God and stay focused on Him no matter what happens. Puzzle # 5 By shifting the letters from last week, MPWFHPE becomes LOVE GOD.
- Seeing the Patterns: Matthew 18:23-25, The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant. Jesus shows us that not only do we have a loving and forgiving God, but we should extend that same kind of forgiveness to others. Puzzle #6 Kids must assemble random strips of paper with writing on them like a jigsaw puzzle. They will just be random lists of letters.
- Eyes on the Prize: Matthew 7:1-5, The Parable of The Speck and the Log. Jesus teaches us how important it is not to judge other people. None of us is perfect, except Jesus. Puzzle #7 Using the random letters from last week, the kids will cross off certain letters to end up with EEHLOORSTV.

5-6th Grades (Downstairs Classroom) The children in 5th and 6th grades are continuing to study, "From the Beginning, an Exploration in Genesis", Genesis Chapters 1-50

CALVARY KIDS WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH CLUB Ages 5 through 5th Grade Wednesdays from 6:30-8:30

Meeting every Wednesday until December 23rd. Spring session will begin January 13th.

*****PLEASE HAVE THE CHILDREN BRING THEIR OWN WATER BOTTLES AND BIBLES*****

Please bring your children to the Fellowship Hall and sign them in there. If the weather permits, we will have the children outside at the playground and the parents can bring the children there to sign them in. Notice will be given at the Fellowship Hall, 50 on Calvary Kids Facebook Page and Shepherd of the Hills Community Page. The children will be brought back to the parents at the Fellowship Hall Foyer at 8:30. The kids will be learning through Bible stories, object lessons, games, videos and crafts, all reinforcing God's Word. They will also have worship and prayer.

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"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

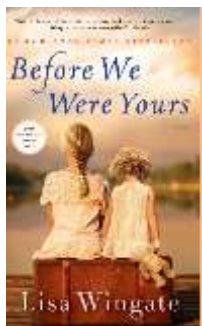
October Women's Ministry Event: Hike and Picnic Lunch October 10th – 10:00 AM

Green Lane Reservoir Park, 2821 Hill Road Green Lane PA (Boat Rental Parking Lot)

We will meet in the parking lot and walk the perimeter of the reservoir. After the hike, we will enjoy a nice picnic lunch. Please wear appropriate shoes, as the trail is a bit rocky at a few spots. Bring your water bottle.

Food is provided; however, if anyone wants to bring a side dish or dessert, feel free to do so.

**** Please come and see our Women's Ministry Bulletin Board.** It is located in the hallway, across from Pastor Collin's Office. You will find some photos of our past events and a schedule for this year's events. The schedule for the Beautifully Bound Book Club is there as well.



Book Club: November 5th, in the Parlor at 6:30 PM

Our book for November is "Before We Were Yours". Author: Lisa Wingate

A privileged lawyer uncovers a dark history of stolen children and illegal adoptions, when she meets an elderly woman, revealing a shocking scandal from Memphis's past that connects 2 families. Based on one of America's most notorious real-life scandals –in which Georgia Tann, director of a Memphis-based adoption organization, kidnapped and sold poor children to wealthy families all over the country. Lisa Wingate's riveting, wrenching, and ultimately uplifting tale, reminds us how even though the paths we take can lead to many places, the heart never forgets where we belong.

Available at Chronicles Christian books for \$12 until October 25. You can also find the audiobook on Audible (with membership).

*****You did not have to finish the book or even read it to come and enjoy the fellowship, please just come.**

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 Conference Room, on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month

The ladies will continue to study the book of Acts.

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

"Delighting in God's Wisdom, A study on the Book of Proverbs".

Wisdom. We need it. We want it - but often look for it in all the wrong places. Moment by moment our life circumstances dictate the need for wisdom. From simple everyday choices to the more complex and life changing; we need wisdom for successful decision-making. Where do we find this wisdom? Solomon will tell us in the book of Proverbs that wisdom begins with the fear of God and all wisdom is found in Him. The majority of Proverbs was written by Solomon, "the wisest man on earth. Proverbs is the "how to" for life and will lead you to the heart of God and His wisdom. The book is available in Chronicles Book Store for \$8.00

Mother's Group: for mothers with children through 12th grade: Meets in the parlor on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 6:00.

2nd Tuesdays lead by Melanie Busby, 4th Tuesdays lead by Heather Wells.

Ladies, do you ever find yourself worrying and anxious? Being overwhelmed by a task you face, a mountain to climb? I know I sure do. As I was listening to a teaching, I realized, that some circumstances I was relying more on myself than the Lord. That I try not to "burden" others with my concerns or circumstances. The Word of the Lord tells us we were not created to do life alone. Yes, in Genesis God created woman to be a suitable helper, an Ezer Kegnagdo, and the Lord created the family unit to support each other, however Yahweh brings other people into our lives to help us, maybe for a season or a lifelong friend. He gives us people to be our friends or co-workers. He gives us friends to also help us with things like moving or working on projects, to be an ear to listen and a shoulder to cry on or to share laughter. He also gives us friends who will hold our arms up, spiritually, in prayer, when we cannot do it on our own. We all need people to come alongside us in prayer.

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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 what makes us distinct. Our Shepherd 102 class walks through the Calvary Chapel Distinctives. The Shepherd 103 class will review our Statement of Faith, and finally our Shepherd 104 class will provide you with tools on how to study the Bible.

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



Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child is our Ministry Spotlight for the month of October. Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes allow us to be missionaries to children around the world. Last year, Samaritan's Purse distributed over 10 million shoeboxes to children around the globe. Statistically, every 1 in 4 children give their life to Christ after receiving a shoebox gift. Through this ministry, we can touch the lives of children, families, and communities in

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

Mark 10:14

parts of the world we could never travel to practically.

Participation is simple: just grab a box or two (or more) from the table in the Lobby, fill with gifts and items for a specific child (boy or girl) and age range, attach and mark the label to the top of the box (included inside the box), and return to the lobby next to the main entrance.

A list of gift suggestions is available to pickup at the display in the lobby, or you can visit the Samaritan's Purse website for a list you can download and take to the store. You can even add a personal note, picture, or



drawings. OCC is a great way to get the whole family involved.

National Collection week for OCC is November 15th -22nd, so you have the whole month of October to pack shoeboxes. Be sure to return all filled boxes by November 22nd!

And remember, "It's All About Jesus."

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.

