OCTOBER 25TH, 2026

SHEPHERD of the HILLS CALVARY CHAPEL

DOING LIFE TOGETHER

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER AND ORDER OF WORSHIP

VERSE OF ENCOURAGEMENT

"Hallelujah! Our Lord God Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and give Him glory!"

Revelation 19:6-7

Teaching Series:

GODLY WORKERS

PASSAGE
Ephesians 6

8:00 AM Service Worship

Hallelujah Our God Reigns (35)
He Is Exalted (36)
Trust And Obey (571)

Closing:
Take My Life and Let It Be (597)

9:30 & 11 AM Service Worship

Everlasting God
I'm Going Free (Jailbreak)
This I Believe
Worthy

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 *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

Ladies Book Club, Thursday, November 5th, 6:30 PM. *Our book selection is available for purchase until October 28th at Chronicles Christian Books.*

Family Movie Night, Friday, Nov. 6th, 6:00 PM. *Join us for a Family Movie Night in the Sanctuary featuring the movie "Young Washington". The movie "Super Mario Galaxy" will also be played in the Parlor for kids.*

Men's Ministry Fellowship Breakfast, Saturday, November 14th, 10:00 AM. *Men join us for a pancake breakfast on Saturday, November 14th. Please sign up at the Kiosk or at the Welcome Desk.*

Women's Ministry Breakfast & Craft, Saturday, November 21st, 9:00 AM. *Ladies join us for our November event, a fellowship Potluck Breakfast and Craft. Following the craft you can join us for our Christmas Decorating event. Please sign up at the Kiosk or at the Welcome Desk so we can prepare enough supplies.*

Calvary Chapel Academy – Christmas Poinsettia Fundraiser *Help support our school by purchasing poinsettia plants for the Christmas season. Select from Red, White, and Red and White Speckled varieties. Cost is $10 per plant. Order and pay at Chronicles Christian Books. Last day to order is Sunday, November 15th. Available to take home Sunday, December 20th.*

"Deck the Fellowship Halls" Christmas Decorating, Sat. November 21st, 12:00 PM
Mark your calendars for our annual Christmas Decorating Day

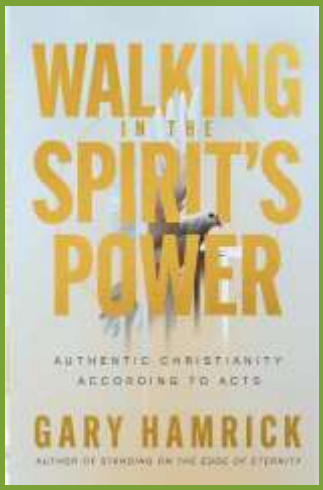
Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes *Pick up a box at the table in the Lobby and fill with gifts for children around the world. Return boxes to the lobby by November 22nd.*

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.

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

Everlasting God
CCLI #4556538 | Brenton Brown and Ken Riley

Verse
Strength will rise
As we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
Strength will rise
As we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord

Pre-Chorus
Our God You reign forever
Our Hope our strong Deliv'rer

Chorus
You are the everlasting God
The everlasting God
You do not faint
You won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

Verse

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

I'm Going Free (Jailbreak)
CCLI #6561868 | Benji Cowart, Tyler Miller, and Jacob Sooter

Verse 1
Go on and speak against
My borrowed innocence
The judge is my defense I'm going free
Right when the gavel fell
I heard the freedom bell
Ring through the heart of hell I'm going free
I'm going free

Chorus 1
Glory glory hallelujah
He threw my shackles in the sea
Glory glory hallelujah
Jesus is my liberty
I'm going free

Verse 2
I won't go back again
That's just not who I am
Lord I'm a brand new man I'm going free
I'm on a narrow road
It's paved with grace and hope
It's gonna lead me home I'm going free
I'm going free

Chorus 2
Glory glory hallelujah
He threw my shackles in the sea
Glory glory hallelujah
Jesus is my liberty
(REPEAT)
I'm going free

Bridge
I am free I am free indeed
I am free I am free indeed
We are free free indeed
We are free free indeed

Chorus 2

Verse 3
Someday I'll fly away
On Your amazing grace
Your love is my jailbreak
I'm going free

Chorus 2

Songs of Worship

Contemporary Service – 11:00 AM Live Stream

This I Believe
CCLI #7018338 | Ben Fielding and Matt Crocker

Verse 1
Our Father everlasting
The all creating One
God Almighty
Through Your Holy Spirit
Conceiving Christ the Son
Jesus our Savior

Chorus 1
I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit
Our God is three in One
I believe in the resurrection
That we will rise again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus

Verse 2
Our judge and our defender
Suffered and crucified
Forgiveness is in You
Descended into darkness
You rose in glorious life
Forever seated high

Chorus 1

Bridge
I believe in You
I believe You rose again
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord

Chorus 2
I believe in life eternal
I believe in the virgin birth
I believe in the saints' communion
And in Your holy Church
I believe in the resurrection
When Jesus comes again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus

Chorus 1

Ending
For I believe in the Name of Jesus

Worthy
CCLI #7111931 | Mack Brock, Chris Brown, and Steven Furtick

Verse 1
It was my cross You bore
So I could live
in the freedom You died for
And now my life is Yours
And I will sing
of Your goodness forevermore

Chorus
Worthy is Your name Jesus
You deserve the praise
worthy is Your name
Worthy is Your name Jesus
You deserve the praise
worthy is Your name

Verse 2
And now my shame is gone
I stand amazed
in Your love undeniable
Your grace goes on and on
And I will sing
of Your goodness forevermore

Chorus

Chorus

Bridge
Be exalted now in the heavens
As Your glory fills this place
You alone deserve our praise
You're the name above all names
(REPEAT)

Chorus

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:
Welcome Desk: Mary B. / Melisa M.
Greeters: Karla O. / Gordon & Sandy M. / Ed & Barb F. / Linda W.
Calvary Cafe: Irene S. / Joyce H.
Chronicles Books: Erica B. / Ethan B. / James B.

Calvary Kids Ministry
Toddler Care (9:30): Sarah M. & Eileen D.
Children's Church (11:00): Sandra B. & Renia L.

A/V Team
Sound: Neil S. / Ken N.
Video: Mark S. / Melanie C.

Logistics Team
Deacon: Uwe B.
Offering Counters: Vaughn M.

Serving Next Week:
Welcome Desk: Diane K. / Melisa M.
Greeters: Edo J. / Bill & Patti W. / Uwe & Mary B.
Calvary Cafe: Brian & Sandy L. / Bill & Carol H.
Chronicles Books: Sandy L.

Calvary Kids Ministry
Toddler Care (9:30): Chevelle P. / Shannon E.
Children's Church (11:00): Valerie C. & Renia L.

A/V Team
Sound: Neil S. / Gabriel O. / Brian B.
Video: Rick S. / Shaun C.

Logistics Team
Deacon: Mark F.
Offering Counters: Patti W. / Sharon S.

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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!

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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.

October Missions

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.

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

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 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? Smores, 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.

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CALVARY CHAPEL ACADEMY

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fire Safety Day
October 14, 2026

In recognition of Fire Prevention Month, we are excited to welcome our local fire department for a special visit! Our students will have the opportunity to learn important fire safety practices, meet local firefighters, and learn what to do in the event of a fire.

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!

Friendsgiving
November 23,2026

Classroom Spotlight: Made to Create

Students in Kindergarten through 8th grade will have the opportunity to experience formal art at some point during the school year. Art is an important part of a well-rounded education because it encourages creativity, strengthens observation and problem-solving skills, builds confidence, and gives students an opportunity to communicate ideas in ways that go beyond words.

Throughout the year, students are learning the elements and principles of art, including line, shape, color, form, exture, balance, pattern, and composition. We are exploring different different artists, techniques, and styles while learning what it means to truly be an artist. Students are encouraged to slow down, look closely, try new things, make thoughtful choices, and understand that creating something meaningful takes time and practice.

Most importantly, we want our students to recognize that creativity is a gift from God. We were made by a creative God and made to create. Whether students consider themselves "artists" or not, art gives them an opportunity to discover their unique gifts,.

Message from the Director

As we settle into our school routines, we are excited for the holiday season ahead and the opportunities to celebrate God's goodness together! In the busyness of the coming months, I encourage each family to slow down and intentionally seek the presence of the Lord. May we keep Christ at the center of our homes, our traditions, and our hearts, remembering that Jesus is the greatest gift of all. Thank you for being part of our CCA family.

say cheese...

Picture Day

Picture day was a huge sucess this year. We would like to extend a special thank you to Pastor Jonathan Grove for making this year's picture day seamless. Every child should now have 2-3 photos available for download on Brightwheel.

Please log in to your account on a **computer** and go to your child's profile. Under the profile there are several tabs across the top of the page. Click on the tab that says **attachments** and all the files will be there. Click to download them as they are set to expire off of brightwheel at the end of November.

Picture Day photos are ready to be downloaded!

We are off to a great start...

What a great month of growing in knowledge, strengthening our faith, and learning to honor Christ in all we do. We are thankful for all God is teaching us each day.

Meet the Teacher

My name is Mrs. Lee, and I teach Language Arts to 2nd through 8th. In my five years of teaching, I have taught Spanish, preschool, and now English Language Arts. I taught preschool here at Calvary Chapel Academy and enjoyed the Christian environment so much that I returned! It's such a blessing to teach where I can encourage and be encouraged in my faith. Previously, I taught Spanish at a Non-Christian private school for three years. I have an American education, even though I grew up in Bolivia, South America, and have been in the United States since my college days at Houghton in upstate New York. I graduated with a degree in education at the elementary level along with a concentration in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages. With my background, I have an interesting perspective to offer for Language Arts this year! When I'm not teaching, I spend time at home with my two little girls (3 and 5 years old), my husband, my excitable and snuggly mini golden doodle, aloof Russian Blue cat, and my parents-in-law. My husband is the youth pastor at Towamencin Mennonite Church in Harleysville, and I aid him with teaching and supervising activities with the youth.

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 next event this year will be our annual Friendsgiving taking place Monday, November 23, after school. 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 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.

Click here to read the full article…

Click Here to learn more about our Calvary Kids Ministry

God Bless, Renee Miller, Women & Children's Ministry Director

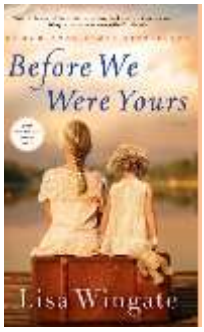
"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.... forgive as the Lord forgives. And over all these virtues, put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity." -Colossians 3:12 – 14

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 Wingates' 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 in 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 Kegnegdo, 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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Click here to learn more about our Chosen By Grace Women's Ministry

God Bless, 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 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 to be added to the list.

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

"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

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 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. The following are just a few ministries that have not been highlighted in our newsletter above. Tap on a logo to learn more about a ministry.

LIGHT the WAY

CHRONICLES CHRISTIAN BOOKS

SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS MISSIONS

Connect groups

CALVARY CHAPEL ACADEMY

SHEPHERD of the HILLS Assistance Fund

CHALLENGE MEN'S MINISTRY

One Voice