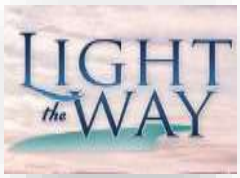
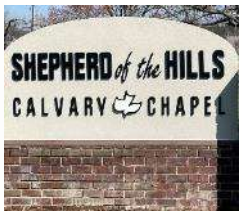
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DOING LIFE TOGETHER

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER AND ORDER OF WORSHIP













VERSE OF ENCOURAGEMENT

"Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples."

Psalm 96:1

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome
Songs of Worship
Moment of Prayer
Announcements
Message
Closing Worship

Teaching Series:



ORDER OF A GODLY CHURCH: PART 2
THE DIRECTION OF THE CHURCH

PASSAGE
Acts 2

8:00 AM Service Worship

Sing unto the Lord (57)
They'll Know We Are Christians (429)
Awesome God (179)
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms (575)

Closing:
Shine Jesus Shine (431)

9:30 & 11 AM Service Worship

Be Glorified
I Will Follow
Not For a Moment
All To Us

Song Lyrics on pages 3-4









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

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.*

THIS WEEK! Wednesday Night Family Meals Fall Session Continues, 5:15 PM – 6:15 PM *Join us this Wednesday for our family meals. This week is our Thanksgiving-style meal. Free to all. 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

LAST CALL! 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. Today is the last day to order. Available to take home Sunday, December 20th.*

"Deck the Fellowship Halls" Christmas Decorating, Sat. November 21st, 12:00 PM
Come help us decorate the church inside and out.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes *National collection week starts today! 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.*

Mother's Pantry Ministry: *We're collecting select consumable items and shelf-stable baby foods for our new Mother's Pantry. Review the list of needed items at the table in the coat room, behind the Acts 2:42 verse wall.*

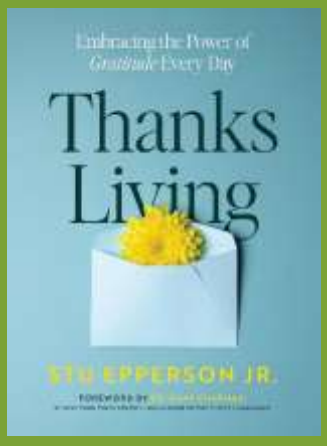
We ask everyone to please refrain from bringing food or snacks into the sanctuary. Thank you.

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

BOOK *of the month*

Thanks-Living

by Stu Epperson, with Gary Chapman (Foreword)



Our lives are divine gifts—but they don't always feel like that. Life can feel like a tangle of thorns and thistles. It's often marked with sorrow, disappointment, and heartache. So, how do we embrace or follow the biblical charge to give thanks in all things?

In his honest and encouraging book, Thanks-Living, Stu Epperson invites us into the beauty and joy found in life shaped by thanksgiving. Gratitude doesn't mean denying the real grief and pain in our lives. Rather that we boldly anchor our hearts in God, in His presence and promises. We can give thanks in all things—because God is present in all things. Even in lack, we are not empty. Even when life feels uncertain, God is proven and trustworthy.

A daily commitment to gratitude can restore hope and joy to your everyday life. If you want to be light to a dark and desperate world, then join Stu in the journey of being Thanks-Living. Get your copy today at Chronicles Christian Books!

Songs of Worship

Contemporary Service – 11:00 AM Live Stream

Be Glorified
CCLI #2732646 | Louie Giglio, Jesse Reeves, and Chris Tomlin

Verse
Your love has captured me
Your grace has set me free
Your life the air I breathe
Be glorified in me
(REPEAT)

Chorus 1
You set my feet to dancing
You set my heart on fire
In the presence of
a thousand kings
You are my one desire
And I stand before You now
With trembling hands
Lifted high
Be glorified

Verse

Chorus 2
You set my feet to dancing
You set my heart on fire
In the presence of
a thousand kings
You are my one desire
And I stand before You now
With trembling hands
Lifted high

Chorus 1

Bridge
Be glorified in me
Be glorified in me
Be glorified in me
Be glorified in me

Chorus 1

Ending
Be glorified
Be glorified

I Will Follow
CCLI #5806878 | Chris Tomlin and Reuben Morgan

Intro
Where You go I'll go where You stay I'll stay
You move I'll move I will follow

Verse 1
All Your ways are good all Your ways are sure
I will trust in You alone
Higher than my sight high above my life
I will trust in You alone

Chorus 1
Where You go I'll go where You stay I'll stay
When You move I'll move I will follow You
Whom You love I'll love how You serve I'll serve
If this life I lose I will follow
You, Yeah I will follow You, yeah

Verse 2
Light into the world light into my life
I will live for You alone
You're the One I seek knowing I will find
All I need in You alone in You alone

Chorus 1

Bridge
In You there's life everlasting
In You there's freedom for my soul
In You there's joy unending joy
And I will follow

Chorus 2
Where You go I'll go where You stay I'll stay
When You move I'll move I will follow You
Whom You love I'll love how You serve I'll serve
If this life I lose I will follow

Chorus 1

Ending
Yeah I will follow You, yeah
I will follow You, yeah, I will follow You, yeah

Songs of Worship

Contemporary Service – 11:00 AM Live Stream

Not For a Moment
CCLI #6350268 | Meredith Andrews, Mia Fieldes, and Jacob Sooter

Verse 1
You were reaching through the storm
Walking on the water
Even when I could not see
In the middle of it all
When I thought You were
A thousand miles away
Not for a moment did You forsake me
Not for a moment did You forsake me

Chorus 1
After all You are constant
After all You are only good
After all You are sovereign
Not for a moment will You forsake me

Verse 2
You were singing in the dark
Whispering Your promise
Even when I could not hear
I was held in Your arms
Carried for a thousand miles to show
Not for a moment did You forsake me

Chorus 2
After all You are constant
After all You are only good
After all You are sovereign
Not for a moment did You forsake me
Not for a moment did You forsake me

Bridge
And every step every breath
You are there
Every tear every cry
every prayer
In my hurt at my worst
When my world falls down
Not for a moment will You forsake me

Chorus 2

Ending
Not for a moment will You forsake me

All To Us
CCLI #5869860 | Jesse Reeves, Matt Redman, Matt Maher, and Chris Tomlin

Verse 1
Precious cornerstone sure foundation
You are faithful to the end
We are waiting on You Jesus
We believe You're all to us
(REPEAT)

Chorus
Let the glory of Your name
Be the passion of the Church
Let the righteousness of God
Be a holy flame that burns
Let the saving love of Christ
Be the measure of our lives
We believe You're all to us

Verse 2
Only Son of God
Sent from heaven
Hope and mercy at the cross
You are everything
You're the promise
Jesus You are all to us

Chorus

Chorus

Bridge
You're all to us
You're all to us
You're all to us
You are
(REPEAT)

Verse 3
When this passing
World is over
We will see You face to face
And forever we will worship
Jesus You are all to us
Jesus You are all to us

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: Diane K. / Melisa M.
Greeters: Roger & Sharon E. / Kevn & 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): Valerie C. & Dylan E.

A/V Team
Sound: Neil S. / Ken N.
Video: Paul Y. / Sharon M.

Logistics Team
Deacon: Ken N.
Offering Counters: Jeannette K. & Sharon S.

Serving Next Week:
Welcome Desk: Mary B. / Melisa M.
Greeters: Karla O. / Gordy & Sandy M. / Ed & Barb F.
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): Renee & John M.

A/V Team
Sound:
Video: Paul Y. / Sharon M.

Logistics Team
Deacon: Uwe B.
Offering Counters: Vaughn M. & Marjorie C.

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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!

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.

November 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.

Derrick Whitmore is our **Missions Commitment** focus for the months of November. Derrick serves as the Executive Director of Shattered Studios in Orlando, Florida.

Derrick Whitmore is the founder and currently serves as the Executive Director of Shattered Studios, a non-profit organization that shares hope and faith through the creative, performance, and media arts.

Derrick felt the call to ministry after the Lord healed him of the depression and low self-esteem he felt as a youth. While serving as the youth pastor of Shepherd of the Hills, Derrick observed some of the youth were dealing with similar levels of depression and even suicidal thoughts. He felt the urgent need to gather a team together to specifically address this need and soon Shattered Studios was formed. Not long after, Derrick felt God calling to devote more time into working with those struggling with depression and, as a result, he began working for Shattered Studios full time. Due to the large number of missionary resources available in Orlando, FL, he decided to expand Shattered Studios to incorporate the Orlando metro-region.

His greatest desire is to help people, especially youth and young adults, come to personally know the Lord and grow in an unending relationship with Him. Derrick is also passionate about inspiring others to use whatever gifts they have been given to serve others and glorify the Lord (1 Peter 4:10-11).



Derrick and Julie Whitmore

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

Friendsgiving
November 23, 2026

Our Friendsgiving celebration will be filled with grateful hearts, joyful fellowship, and a reminder of the many blessings God gives us through the gift of friendship and community! Join us after school on Monday the 23rd for a family style lunch together. Details on Brightwheel.

Spirit Week: Christmas
December 14-18, 2026

Let's celebrate the last week of school before Christmas break with some fun Christmas themed school spirit. Monday: Christmas Pajamas or cozy day, Tuesday: Grinch Day, Wednesday: Candy Canes, gumdrops, and gingerbread day, Thursday: Christmas hat or hair day, Friday: School spirit and Christmas socks day. More details will be sent home soon. We can't wait to celebrate together.

Christmas Show
December 18, 2026 7pm



Classroom Spotlight: Building a Foundation

Kindergarten is an exciting season of growth, discovery, and laying the foundation for a lifetime of learning! In our five-day-a-week program, we strive to create a Christ-centered classroom where children are encouraged to grow academically, spiritually, socially, and emotionally.
Using the Abeka curriculum, we focus on the traditional foundations of reading, writing, and arithmetic, with a strong emphasis on phonics to help students develop essential early reading skills. We also incorporate enrichment activities that spark curiosity, encourage creativity, and make learning fun and meaningful. Throughout the year, we reinforce biblical values, good character, responsibility, and a love for the Lord.
Our goal is to prepare each child for the next step in their educational journey, whether that be homeschooling, public school, or a local private school. By building strong academic skills, confidence, independence, and a solid foundation in Christ, we hope to equip our students for a successful transition into their next learning environment and beyond. We are grateful for the opportunity to partner with families in this important season, and we pray that each child leaves not only prepared for what comes next, but grounded in their faith.



Message from the Director

November is a wonderful reminder to slow down and recognize just how much we have to be thankful for. I am so grateful for our students, our teachers, and the families who make CCA such a special community. It is a blessing to be part of what God is doing here, and I pray your families have a Thanksgiving filled with gratitude, joy, and time together.

pumpkins please...

Harvest Fun!

Although the rain may have changed our plans with Harvest Fest, it couldn't dampen our Harvest spirit! We found a way to enjoy some harvest fun with games, prizes, popcorn, and cotton candy. We are so thankful for our amazing PTO and all their hard work in making this special day possible! Most importantly, we are grateful for the opportunity to come together in fellowship, celebrate God's goodness, and remember the many blessings He provides. What a wonderful reminder that joy can be found in every season! We are blessed by this sweet community!



"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever." — Psalm 107:1

We are off to a great start...





Students enjoyed all the Harvest fun that we had throughout the month of October. Our Harvest Carnival was a huge success.







Meet the Teacher

Hi, my name is Karen Rufe. I am the lead teacher over the kindergarten and preschool here at CCA as well as one of the pre-k 4 teachers. It is my pleasure to serve the parents and students of Calvary Chapel Academy. Shepherd of the Hills Calvary Chapel is my home church. I have taught in our VBS and enjoyed the experience. Since I was an Elementary/Early Childhood teacher for 33 years, I happily get to use my professional training and experience along with my spiritual gifts to help guide teachers and students each day .The children are a blessing to me, and I enjoy watching them light up and learn while having fun in Pre-K. Teaching this age group was one of my goals ,and God has allowed me to experience it ! Sharing the Bible with these children is one of my favorite times of the day in our classroom. The wonder and joy of learning about the Lord as I look on the children's faces and listen to their responses it makes my heart full. In my spare time I like to write curriculum and find new and exciting activities for the students to experience. I am an avid reader, and one of my favorite genres is Historical Fiction. My goal each day is to show the people around me the love and compassion of Christ. Stop in and say, "Hello." I would love to meet you!

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. Next PTO meeting: Dec. 7

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.

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

God Made Me Special: The Body of Christ, 1 Corinthians 12:27. Little Ones will learn that God made each person different and special.

The children will then begin a new series, "Noah's Big Boat", Trust God Always. When the mighty flood came, God kept Noah, his family and the animals safe aboard the Ark. Through it all Noah learned he could trust God ALWAYS.

Memory Verse: "But I trust in you, Lord. I say, "You are my God", Psalm 31:14

- The Ark: God Instructs Noah - Genesis 6:9-22.
- The Flood: God is powerful - Genesis 7:1-12
- The Birds: The Waiting - Genesis 8:1-14
- The Rainbow: God's Covenant with Noah - Genesis 9:1-3, 12-17

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 children are currently picking out the parts (speaking , singing or both), that they want for the Christmas pageant, which is the family Christmas Eve service at 6:00pm. **this is for all children in Sunday school, children's church and youth club, kindergarten through 5th grade. If your children want to participate, Tara or I will need confirmation from the parents they will be able to participate in the Christmas Eve Program and that they will be able to attend practice, during Youth Club, on Wednesdays, starting in November for half an hour and in December from 6:30-8:30.

The kids will FINISH 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.

5-6th Grades (Downstairs Classroom) The children in 5th and 6th grades will study the Book of Leviticus.

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

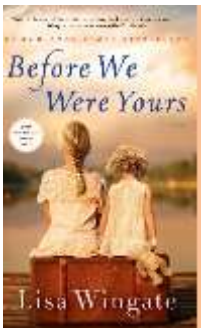
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Women's Ministry

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

November Women's Ministry Event: Saturday Nov 21st

Potluck Breakfast and Craft at 9:00 in the Fellowship Hall
Come join us for fellowship, food, worship, and crafty fun. Bring your favorite breakfast dish to share with the other women. If you own a glue gun, it would be greatly appreciated if you could bring it with you, to share as we will need it for one or 2 of the crafts.

** 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.

***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 John.

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, how do you start you day? Do you jump out of bed, ready to go, go, go and tackle the" to do" list for the day, (after your morning coffee, of course) or do you spend a few minutes resting a while longer, not hitting the snooze button, but enjoying the first moments of the day, in the presence of the Lord Almighty? If we ask the Holy Spirit for the words and guidance for our day, the worries of the day start to fade away. "Open wide your mouth and I will fill it" Psalm 81:10

Sing a Hymn of praise, not necessarily out loud, and let the words penetrate your spirit, as you offer up a sweet fragrance to the Lord. Allow Him to equip you with what you need to face this day. Ask Him to keep you from the snares of this world." LORD, that we may rely on your faithfulness; give me an undivided heart, that i may fear you", Psalm 86:11

How amazing is it that the Lord of Creation would desire a few minutes with us, his daughters, sinners all of us, yes, yet it was His Passion that brought heaven down to cleanse us and make us holy, His Sanctified Bride. Sit with the Lord, so you are ready to face the day, surrounded with His love, armed with His truth, and filled with gratitude. These precious moments are a gift, time spent in His presence, open it and savor every moment in God's lovely dwelling place.

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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