O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath, revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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WELCOME VISITORS!

Thank you for visiting Shepherd of the Hill. We would love to remain in contact with you. Please fill out a communication card that you will find near the Bibles and hymnals in the pews. You can then give your card to Pastor, or drop it in one of the 3 collection boxes that are hanging on the back wall (east side) in the church. Thank you!

NURSERY IS OPEN!

If you have young children that would like to attend our nursery while you enjoy church services, please locate our nursery which is in the north hallway. This is a service that we provide for all families.

OUR FAITHFUL RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

April 19/20, 2025 Attendance: *Maundy Thursday—65* Good Friday—104 Easter Vigil—45

Easter Sunday—279 / Online—84

\$5,250.25 General Fund Lent/Easter Offering 2,385.00 100.00 Altar Flowers 272.00 Music/Bells 718.00 Youth Weekly Total *\$8,725.25

Principal Mortgage Balance:

\$184.235.49

*Does not include Zelle or SimpleGive **Payments**

Today's Scripture Reading is: John 20:19-31, found on pg. 883

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Our Mission: To Know Jesus & To Make Jesus Known

Today's Altar Flowers Are For:

In Honor of a Family Birthday

By: Vade Cartwright

In Memory of Salvatore Cipolla By: Angela Cipolla

2nd Sunday After Easter

April 26/27, 2025



Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe. John 20:29

IN-PERSON WORSHIP

Saturday at 5pm Sunday at 10am

JOIN US FOR OUR ONLINE SERVICE ON FACEBOOK /YOUTUBE

Available 10am on Sunday

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Today is the last Kid's Club of the season.

CONTINUED PRAYERS Healing God, we lift up those of our community that need healing and wholeness—Les Tindle, Madelene Vargo, Emily Vlk, Bob Barwa, Bob Fanello, Wally Lewandowski, Toni Leonard, Philip Ackland, Jessica Wallin, Lillianna Pelayo, Michael Anderson, Lenny Coe, Leroy Foster, Jason Haley, Brian Butler, Allan Franz, Alice Pritchett, Ron Slack, Tony Flaherty, Jeff Stubler, Don Soltis, Marvin Pickering, Naida Magercak, Gina Nordquist, Francis Kania, David McGuire, Paul England, Karen Bremmer, Leonard Krch, Dylan Krestan, Blanche Bolton, Beverly Aiwohi, Terry Warsaw, Troy Bell, Mary Brauer, Emily Heintzelman, Karlynn Anderson, Carol Mattes, Glen Kleuch, and Phyllis Piantek.

HOMEBOUND

Norma McCall Lily Mazeika Janet Villacci Sandra Schrader Wally Lewandowski

GIVE COMFORT TO THOSE **GRIEVING THE** LOSS OF **LOVED ONES**

WORLDWIDE

PRAYERS

Those affected by

wars in Ukraine,

Sudan, Congo, and

the Middle East.

For the release of

all the Israeli hos-

tages. Those af-

fected by recent

storms and earth-

quakes.

Pope Francis **Beverly Martin**

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Michael Meyers, Dakota Novander, Anthony Kopel, Kaitlin Reed, Melanie Rigoni, Nico Arellano, Katerina and Lenny Casselman, John Schneider, Tom Schneider, John B. Momich, Caitlyn Grabenhofer, Megan and Daniel Sanchez, Jack and Mike Superczynski, Seth Trent, Timea Sara, Anthony Martino, Eric John Stepek, Alphonso Huerta, Jr., Bradley Poerio, Nathan Snyder, and Cobi Valentin.



THANK YOU

Thank you to Ellen Schroll, David Rhodes, Chancel Choir, Bell Choirs, and all others who had anything to do with the music this Lenten and Easter Season!

THANK YOU

We are grateful to all (especially the McManis family) for their help filling the Easter eggs and coordinating all of the Saturday morning Easter activities for the children (which we know is a lol of work!). Thank you to all who so generously donated \$\$ and/or candy/treats. We also thank Grand Dental for their participation in this great community event.



PRESCHOOL CELEBRATORY PICNIC

Please see the insert for further information.

THANK YOU TO ALL!

Thank you to Jim Zacharias and all who came out to celebrate the "Last Supper" of Jesus for Maundy Thursday. Thank you to all who helped during Good Friday. Thank you to all of the readers of the Readers Theatre for their participation in the Palm Sunday services. Thank you to the P.A.L.M. Squad for all of their work with the puppets for the Easter activities on Easter Saturday, and for their "performance" during the 10am Sunday service. Thank you also to Altar Guild for all of their work setting everything up during the Lenten/Easter season.







Send us a picture of your mother for our Mother's Day musical collage by Thursday, Mav 8th.

Email: soth.office@shepherdofthehill.com or text a picture to: Pastor Jon - 714-335-2216



Needed for SOTH A/V:

Sony Handycam



If you still own one and no longer use it, we want to talk to you.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The office is normally open *Tuesday* thru Friday 8:30am-2:30pm. It's a good idea to call the office to be sure the person you need is working that day.











Franiak, Cheryl Zacharias, Sarah Mack,

and Sonya Pedersen. A special thank you to our Kid's Club director, Audrey Bjerum. It

has been a fantastic year!

This weekend is our last SOTH Kid's Club

event for the school year.

A huge thank you to Stacey Neil, Deb

NAMI Will-Grundy

Mental Health Support Groups Free & Confidential

CONNECTION SUPPORT

MORE ABOUT SUPPORTING A LOVED ONE WITH A MENTAL ILLNESS

3rd Thursday of Each Month 6:00 to 7:30 pm - SOTH

Next meeting for NAMI is Thursday, 5/15

Do you know someone who needs help with: COMMUNITY RESOURCES

financial assistance finding food finding low-cost medical services substance abuse coping with mental illness escaping domestic violence

Check out:

lockportresource.org/community-resources

Do you want to be better informed about what is happening in and around **Shepherd of the Hill?**

Use our website to sign up for our weekly emailing to receive summaries of the upcoming sermon and events.

Go to shepherdofthehill.com and scroll to the bottom of the home page.

"Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

—John 20:29