# SUNDAY DECEMBER 8TH, 2019 SHEPHERD of the HILLS

TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN! DIGITAL BULLETIN AND ORDER OF WORSHIP







### THIS WEEK'S CALL TO WORSHIP

Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.

All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name."

> ~ ~ ~ Psalm 66:1-4

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Greeting Songs of Worship Prayer Requests

Good News Mystery Box Children's Message

Announcements & Offering Message Closing Worship

# Message Series: **Advent**

MESSAGE: THE LOVE CANDLE

### 8:00 AM Service Worship

*Hymns of Praise* Great Is the Lord #140 Emmanuel #243 Angels, from the Realms of Glory #259 Away in a Manger #262 *(Hymn of Grace)* 

*Closing Hymn* We Bow Down #154



**SPEAKER:** Pastor Collin Monger

10:30 AM Service Worship

Led by Legacy Worship

Alive In You Our God Is Love Waiting Here for You Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Sing to the King *(Offertory)* 

Our God Is Love (Reprise)



# **Upcoming Events** This Month

## This Week

Monday, Dec. 9th 7:00pm **Boy Scouts** 

Tuesday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm Elders

### Wednesday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>

6:15pm	Youth Club
6:30pm	H2O Youth
7:00pm	Verse-By-Verse Service
7:45pm	Shepherd's Voice

Thursday, Dec. 12th 7:00pm Cub Scouts

Friday, Dec. 13th 7:00pm Pre-K Christmas Program

Saturday, Dec. 14th

### TODAY! New Members Class Sunday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> 9:15 AM

TODAY! Christmas Nativity Share Starting 9:00 AM Join us in the Fellowship Hall for our Christmas Nativity Share event after each service.

**Cookie & Soup Mix Sale** Starting Today, December 8<sup>th</sup>, purchase a premade soup or cookie mix and help support Shepherd of the Hills Preschool! \$6 per jar. Pickup in church fover.

### **Christmas Card Corner**

If you have a Christmas card you would like to share with the church, bring it in and we'll display it in the main hallway.

**Congregational Meeting** Sunday, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> after both services. A congregational meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

Christmas Poinsettia Orders Due by Sunday, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> To beautify the sanctuary for Christmas Eve. \$8.75 per plant. Payment must accompany order. Place order at church office or online here.

### Christmas Eve Services. December 24<sup>th</sup>

Join us for our annual Christmas Eve Services at 7:00 PM (Children & Youth led service) and 9:00 PM.

Miss last week's message? <u>Catch up online</u> or through our SOTH Church Mobile app.





## WAITING HERE FOR YOU

### **BY LOUIE GIGLIO**

Christmas. We have plenty of time to anticipate it, or in some cases...dread it. And, before we know it, it's gone as quickly as it came. What's it all for? Is there really hope for today in the story of a baby born so long ago?

These questions and others are answered in the promises of Advent. In Waiting Here for You, join pastor and author Louie Giglio on an Advent journey to discover that waiting is not wasting when you're waiting on the Lord.

Take hold of the chance to uncover the vast hope offered through the journey of Advent. This edition features a clothbound hardcover binding.

Get your copy today at Chronicles Christian Books!

# Sunday School

Below you will find information on current classes. All classes begin at 9:15 and end at 10:15.

### Adult Classes

Location: Parlor Topic: Simon Peter Book Used: Simon Peter: Flawed but Faithful Disciple, by Adam Hamilton Leader: Kathy Coffey / Sandy Leonard Leader Contact: coffeykath@aol.com

Location: Fellowship Hall Topic: Contemporary issues faced by Christians Book Used: Bible (Selected Scriptures) Leader: Pastor Collin Monger Leader Contact: cmonger@soth.church

Location: Room 22 (lower level) Topic: Nehemiah Book Used: Putting It Together Again When It's All Fallen Apart Leader: Jen Lantz / Susan Grove Leader Contact: asgrover@hotmail.com

### **Teen & Children Classes**

Age Group: Senior High Location: Shepherd's Den **Topic:** Genesis Book Used: Bible (Genesis) Leader: Pastor Charles Rowdon Leader Contact: crowdon@soth.church

Age Group: Toddler-3 year Location: Room 14

Age Group: Children (4 years to kindergarten) Location: Discipleship Oasis Room 12 (upper level) Leader: Grace Kochey Leader Contact: jgcocci@gmail.com

Age Group: Children (1st - 6th grade) Location: Room 24 (lower level) Topic: Psalm 23 ("The Lord is my shepherd...") Book Used: Children's Bible Leader: Tara Wilson Leader Contact: wil0830.tw@gmail.com

## **VOLUNTEER CORNER**

The ministry of Shepherd of the Hills Church is not possible without the help of many volunteers who give their time and talents to serve in various areas of the church.

### **Scheduled Today 12/8**

Usher Captain: Mark F. Greeters: Marge S. & Marie M. Deacon: Neil S. Offering Counters: Amy K. & Verona M. Receptionist: Margaret F.

### **Discipleship Oasis**

Crib Room: Jim & Sherry J. Pre-K Room: Dan & Diana G. Children's Church: Karen & John S.

#### A/V Team:

Sound: Dolly K. / Brad S. Video: Stan K. / Gail A.

### Scheduled Next Week 12/15

Usher Captain: Dan M. Greeters: Vaugh & Judy M. / Bill & Patti W. Deacon: Jeannette K. Offering Counters: Bob & Ginny S. Receptionist: Kitty A.

#### **Discipleship Oasis** Crib Room: Charlotte H. Pre-K Room: Lisa H. Children's Church: Kevin & Steph H.

A/V Team: Sound: Neil S. / Brad S. Video: Bill M. / Sarah S.



#### Winter Weather Cancellations will be announced on WBYN (FM 107.5), Channel 69 (WFMZ), as well as our church website and church mobile app. As a general rule during the week we follow the closures of the Boyertown School district.

### 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.

**OneVoice Worship Team:** We are currently looking for anyone interested in serving with our One Voice worship ministry. Whether you sing, plan an instrument, operate sound equipment, or run projectors, we're looking for you. Must be able to commit to one Sunday per month. For more information, please contact Pastor Jon Grove at <u>media@soth.church</u>.

**Journalist:** We are looking for someone to serve as a journalist for our church publication, "The Shepherd's Staff." If you enjoy writing, photography, or other print publication work, and would like to serve, please contact the church for more information. Email <u>cmonger@soth.church</u>.

**Tee-Ball Coach:** We are currently looking for a couple of people to serve as tee-ball coaches for the 2020 season, beginning in April. The coach should have knowledge of the game, the ability to coach children, and the ability to manage the schedule of the team. This team will compete in the regular Boyertown Midget Baseball League. Practices will be held at the church, games will be played on BMBL fields. The church will provide all equipment and uniforms. Per PA law, background clearances will be needed. If you are interested in serving here, please contact Pastor Collin at <u>cmonger@soth.church</u>.

**Fellowship Team:** We are currently looking for a few people to service on a fellowship team. This group will be responsible for organizing and coordinating various fellowship events for the church throughout the year. These events would consist of things like movie nights, meals, etc. If you are interested in serving please contact Pastor Collin at <u>cmonger@soth.church</u>.

**Connect Group Leader:** We are currently looking for people to host in-home small groups. The person must be (or willing to become) a member of SOTH, 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 Charles Rowdon at crowdon@soth.church.

**Children's Church Teacher:** We are currently looking for teachers for our children's church ministry. This position is great for those who enjoy working with small children and teaching. You would be placed in a rotating schedule to serve about once per month, or more if available and desired. Curriculum is provided but you are also welcome to create your own. If that's you, please contact please contact Pastor Charles Rowdon at <u>crowdon@soth.church</u>. Background checks must be completed prior to beginning service.



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** or through our **Mobile App**.

For \$10 you can send 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.

For \$20 you can get our **Postcard & Bracelet** bundle, where you will also receive a custom bracelet with the colors of the national flag our missionary serves, that can serve as a prayer reminder.

# December Missions

The Stoke family lives in the mountains of Papua Indonesia amongst a people group named the "Dem." They are an isolated people group that have no written form of their language, never had any western influences and are completely remote. The only way in or out if by using a small missionary plane or their feet.

They are currently learning their language so that one day they will be able to present the Gospel to the Dem and translate the Bible into their language. Until they can clearly present the Gospel the ministry consists of learning the language and medical needs.

Where they live there is no power company, no water company, no roads or corner mini mart. They live off solar panels, water from a stream and the trip to the grocery store is a plane Jeremiah & Briana Stokes are our Missions Commitment focus for the months of November and December. The Stokes serve in the mountains of Papua Indonesia as missionaries to the "Dem" tribe.

landing with a couple months' worth of food.

"We are Jeremiah & Briana Stokes. We have 3 children Eden Jericho and Noelle and we are missionaries with New Tribes Mission in Indonesia.

We moved overseas July 4, 2010. We are both from Pennsylvania but opposite sides of the state. Briana is from eastern Pa and Jeremiah is from Pittsburgh. We both grew up in Christian homes but when we were in our first year of college, we were confronted with the fact that there are unreached tribal people groups that have no access to the Bible."

<u>Click here for the</u> <u>Stokes' latest video</u> <u>update.</u>



### DECEMBER 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."

## Compassion International is our Missions Vision Project for the month of December.

Compassion International focuses on fighting poverty by supporting young children in disadvantaged countries.

Help a mom and baby in poverty get the care and nutrition needed for survival and healthy development through the critical first year.

Children in the sponsorship program are provided healthcare, schooling and educational assistance, and more.

When a baby turns 1, they can be sponsored through Compassion.

Click here to find out more info about Compassion International.

### MEMBERSHIP AT SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS

Nothing about the Christian faith is by accident, it all requires being intentional about your relationship with God. Membership allows us to extend that intentional approach to our church connection. At Shepherd of the Hills being a member is a way of saying "I'm committed to growing in my faith with these brothers and sisters in Christ." Membership also allows the church to commit to you by pledging to help you in any way possible.

Every second Sunday at 9:15 we offer

a membership class for those wishing to join our congregation.



If you would like to attend a

NEW MEMBER CLASS

> MINISTRY ORNER

membership class, please sign up at the welcome desk in the foyer or <u>email Pastor Collin at</u> <u>cmonger@soth.church</u> to be added to the list.

# MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT



1st Corinthians 12 describes the Church as the body of Christ; each member functioning with a specific purpose from God. Sadly, there comes a time in some people's lives when they may be unable to continue



"And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near."

### Hebrews 10:25

meeting regularly with the body. When this happens, we as believers, do not cast them aside but must intentionally seek them out in fellowship. Our visitation team is designed to purposely engage these individuals and share life together.

If you'd like to be a part of the visitation team, dedicating time to visit with members who cannot always come to church, please contact Pastor Jim Jessum or the church office. If God puts it on your heart to visit a brother or sister in need respond!

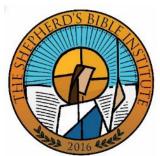
Our ministries here at Shepherd of the Hills Church allow us to carry

out our mission by addressing a specific area of need in our community.

Expect God to work through you to bring them comfort and encouragement while allowing God to speak through them as well. Also, if you or someone you know would like to be visited please contact the church office.







To learn more about a ministry, tap on a logo below.







