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Shepherd of the Prairie
Lutheran Church
10805 Main Street



Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church
is a congregation of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.
"A Growing Church, For Growing People"
For information, please call (847) 669-9448
or go to our website at www.sotp.org

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 pm

**Sunday 9:00 am Traditional
& 10:45 am Contemporary**

*Worship with us in person
or online at sotp.org
and Facebook Live*

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Newsletter

September 2022



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Huntley, IL sotp.org 847/669-9448

Photo from Church Picnic 8/22

Dear Friends:

Daily bread is our food for thought (no pun intended) for the month of September.

"Give us this day our daily bread," we pray. Along with the prayer I invite you to read Matthew 6:25-33 where Jesus teaches about the futility of worry against trust. Worry cannot add a single hour to our lives; worry instead removes us from trusting in God and destroys our relationship with God.

As God's people today, why is this so difficult?

Why do we make ourselves bigger than God and think that we have to do for ourselves by ourselves? Is it because our wants are larger than our needs?

Could it be that instead of listening to what God wants for us, we spend our time and effort going after these wants, then asking God to bless our endeavors and worry whether God will?

As parents and grandparents, do we want for our children and our grandchildren more than they need?

Perhaps God has an entirely different purpose for their lives... "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things will be added unto you."

Where is the connection between seeking for righteousness and trust? Does following God require us to leave our comfort zone? To go out on a limb?

Does age and experience make us more hesitant to trust in God rather than ourselves if we have not put our trust in God before? Or has age and experience in trusting God given us joy and confidence in our later years, knowing that our trust in God is not misplaced?

What freedom do we enjoy because we do trust God?

How does this impact our relationships with those around us?

A few weeks ago I was given a blessing from one of our members here at SOTP. They have chosen to add a line to the family table prayer that many of us use each day.

"Come Lord Jesus, be our guest; let these gifts to us be blessed. And may there be a goodly share on every table everywhere."

Is this what Jesus meant when he asked us to pray, giving us the freedom to live open-

handedly? May God bless you and your family as you faithfully live this prayer out in your everyday lives!

I'll look forward to being with you in worship!

Pastor Mark



To submit a prayer request, please go to www.bit.ly/SOTPrayers and fill out the form.

To join us & pray for those who need prayers, e-mail



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Submit &/or Receive

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Treasurer's Report as of July 31, 2022

General Fund Report: The Unrestricted General Fund Balance is \$397,299. Total income for the month was \$74,496 and total expenses for the month was \$57,779. Approximately 5.9 months of General Fund reserves.

Mortgage Service Fund Report: The Mortgage Service Fund Balance is \$72,524. Income for the month was \$18,949. The new MIF five-year monthly mortgage payment is \$18,807. Approximately 3.85 months of Mortgage Service Fund reserves.

General Fund	Actual	THIS MONTH		
		Budget	Difference	Percentage
Income:	\$74,496	\$59,770	\$14,726	24.6%
Expenses:	\$57,779	\$66,160	(\$8,381)	-12.7%

General Fund	YTD Actual	YEAR-TO-DATE		
		YTD Budget	Difference	Percentage
Income:	\$551,120	\$488,522	\$62,598	12.8%
Expense:	\$451,500	\$483,635	(\$32,135)	-6.6%

Mortgage Service Fund

Income for Month: \$18,949
Income YTD: \$138,747
Payments YTD: \$133,836
Ending Fund Balance: \$72,524



Council Action Item Approvals:

No Financial team resolutions were discussed or approved during the July 18, 2022 Council meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robert C. Mollis
Congregation Treasurer

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Fundraising

amazonsmile
You shop. Amazon gives.

If you shop Amazon, shop AmazonSmile and select SOTP as your nonprofit. Amazon donates .05% to SOTP-it many not

seem like much, but **we have already received \$2,291.78 as of June 2022.**

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With Donna Kelly

Love your neighbor
Recently I read again Jesus' words, "Love your neighbor as yourself."

These words are found in all three synoptic gospels Matthew, Mark and Luke.

As I pondered the meaning of those words, I thought about the times I've heard people (and myself) criticize others for not following those words of Jesus. We usually assume those words mean the same as, "do to others as you would have them do to you" (Luke 6: 31).

But I wonder if many times when we treat others in less than generous ways, if we actually are loving them as we love ourselves. If we are self-critical, self-demeaning, perfection-demanding, self-shaming we most likely are treating others the same. Many of us may actually love others more than we love ourselves, or at least we treat them better than we treat ourselves.

I know of people who lie awake for hours going over and over words they said that day and wondering how deeply they may have wounded someone and I certainly understand remorse for those actions. But what about the terrible things we tell

ourselves about ourselves? I'm not advocating for narcissism, or over inflation our own egos; but so many of us look in the mirror, or into our minds and begin a litany of depreciation. My face is too round, my hair is too thin, look at all those wrinkles, I'm too fat, I'm too thin, if only I was taller...or shorter; older or younger. I wish I was smarter, better educated, stronger, braver, less anxious, quieter, more outgoing... and the list goes on. Some of us hold on to anger or wounds from years ago unable to forgive and move on; and that anger or pain becomes like rust on a piece of iron, slowly eroding away all the joy and goodness in our lives until we are left angry, bitter and unkind to ourselves and our neighbors.

God tells us over and over how much God loves us! We are called God's children, the apple of God's eye, wonderfully made, a friend of the king, beloved! God tells us we are loved, redeemed, uplifted, bold and confident, masterfully crafted, free! God loved us so much that God came into this world to live as one of us in Jesus! God loves us completely and unconditionally! That's an amazing amount of love! I remember a Priest who said at a gathering I attended years ago, "There is nothing you can

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With Donna Kelly

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do to make God love you any more that he does right now, and nothing you can do to make him love you any less!" If God loves you that much,

maybe you ought to love yourself a little more. And maybe by loving yourself a little more, you will more easily be able to love your neighbor as you love yourself!

Donna Kelly

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With Pastor Mark

Starting
Sep 21st

———— Midweek ————

BIBLE STUDY

— with Pastor Mark —

Wednesdays

11:00 am

Contact: Pastor Mark Boster pastormark@sotpmail.com

Pastor Mark will begin an Adult Bible study on **Wednesday, September 21 at 11:00 am.**

Our first series together will be on 1 Peter..."A Letter of Hope" We all need hope in our lives. What does it mean to truly place our hope in God and what place does living a life of holiness play in finding hope? 1 Peter shows us that difficulties and

hardships don't have to wear us down. In fact, we will learn that God can use difficulties to strengthen us.

No previous Bible study involvement required. You are welcome no matter if this is your first or fiftieth Adult study group.

Come grow with us!

Contact: Pastor Mark Boster
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September 2022

		September 3 & 4	September 10 & 11	September 17 & 18	September 24 & 25
	SAT 5:00 PM	Karen Eckert Lynn Meyer	Joy Nesta Peggy Loiselle	Carol Hartman Sue Mattiucci	Peggy Loiselle Steve Murphy
Ushers Interested in Serving Here? Contact: Ed Cuttle edschn28@comcast.net	SUN 9:00 AM	WALTER LEMKE Art Ryden Chris Solem	JACK CONTI Pete Thompson Carol Engstrom Don Kramlich Sandy Kramlich	WAYNE SCHMIDT Dan Wentzloff Mike Malczewski Pete Thompson	RALPH WEHNES George Attaway Ed Cuttle Carolyn Cuttle Jerry Darrow Pat Darrow
	SUN 10:45 AM	BOB MCDUFFEE Vik Bekeris Chuck Peterson Annika Yndestad	MARK FRENDREIS Sandy Stewart Jessica Panella	VIK BEKERIS Don Koerner Jeff Ottens Judy Petropulos	VIK BEKERIS Don Koerner
Welcome Center Contact: Rachael Yndestad r.yndestad@	SUN 9:00 AM SUN 10:45 AM	Interested in Serving Here? Sign Up at: www.bit.ly/SOTPwelcome			
Worship Flowers		Interested in sponsoring weekend worship flowers? Contact Diane Mollis: dem910@outlook.com			

Do you receive our email communications?



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emails

- Daily Devotionals (Food for the soul)
- Weekly Friday Flourish (Church info)
- Monthly Newsletter (More detailed information)

To start receiving any (or all) of the above, please e-mail your request to:
Admin@SOTPmail.com

If you aren't receiving other e-mail blasts from us, please reach out to Michelle Rankin at Michelle@sotpmail.com to be added.

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September 2022



		September 3 & 4	September 10 & 11	September 17 & 18	September 24 & 25
Assisting Minister	SUN 9:00 AM	Interested in Serving Here? Sign Up at: www.bit.ly/SOTPworshipteam			
Communion Assistants Interested in Serving Here? Sign Up at: www.bit.ly/SOTPworship team	SAT 5:00 PM	Mary Holbrook	Ron Mudge	Sandy Scalise	Joy Nesta
	SUN 9:00 AM	Carol Engstrom	Interested in Serving Here? Sign Up at: www.bit.ly/SOTPworshipteam		Carol Engstrom
	SUN 10:45 AM	Sandy Hupert Marge Marlowe	Marge Marlowe Steve & Carol Legel	Interested in Serving Here? Sign Up at: www.bit.ly/SOTPworshipteam	
Counters	Mon	Donna Turner, Marilyn Wilhelm & Ronda Shoemaker			
Greeters Interested in Serving Here? Contact: Elaine Gillam suggillam@aol.com	SAT 5:00 PM		Diane and Bob Petersen		
	SUN 9:00 AM	Elaine Gillam Carol Engstrom	Eileen Gerald Sue Wehnes	Dottie Bobzin Carol Engstrom	Laura Attaway Pat Bour
	SUN 10:45 AM	Bob & Carolyn Malm			
Newsletter Mailing Prep		For this Newsletter: Colleen Bender, Ronda Shoemaker & Lois Jensen			
Readers Sign Up at: www.bit.ly/SOTPworship team	SUN 9:00 AM	Interested in Serving Here? Sign Up at: www.bit.ly/SOTPworshipteam			



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Service October 2nd

Mark your calendars!!!
Join us on **Sunday, October 2** for the formal installation of Pastor Ryan Mackey as Pastor of Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church.
We will gather that day in **one service at 10:00 am**. Bishop Stacie Fidler will be the Presiding Minister and Installing Officer of the church that day in worship.

Bishop Fidler was elected at the Northern IL Synod Assembly this past June.
We look forward to welcoming our new bishop to Shepherd of the Prairie on this very special day in the life of our church!
Please note that on **Saturday, October 1**, we will have our regular Saturday in evening service beginning at **5:00 p.m.**

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Fellowship

NEW Womens' Coffee Gathering

Join us **every Friday at 10:30 am** at the McDonald's by the Huntley Walmart

JOIN US FOR COFFEE
YOU'RE INVITED TO FELLOWSHIP

Contact: Phyllis Thomson
phyllisthompson@aol.com

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Help Pastor Ryan & All Members

Please wear your name tags to make life easier for our new members, including Pastor Ryan and his family.
If you need a new name tag, please email Michelle Rankin.
Contact: Michelle Rankin michelle@sotpmail.com

FP² Q Q H D O C E P A Step 3

This month the quilting step actually needs someone who can sew. But if you can sew a straight line, you can sew these quilts. After the women put together the "kits" then we have a couple angels who get several and put them together for us. But there are always extra kits that need to be put together.

We could also use someone to iron some of the fabric or press the seams, but that's not a full-time job. I don't have a picture of someone ironing because we don't have anyone right now.

We would love to have you join us -

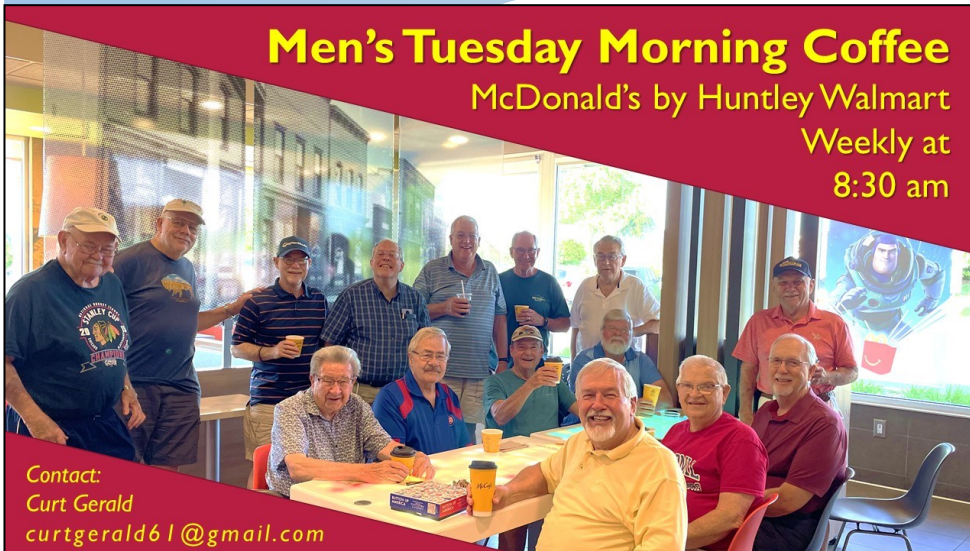


you can stop by just to see if you could fit in, we have a great group of women!

Contact: Bev Kenny
krkbjk@comcast.net

U E E A Z N N E E At Huntley McDonalds by Walmart

Men's Tuesday Morning Coffee McDonald's by Huntley Walmart Weekly at 8:30 am



Contact:
Curt Gerald
curtgerald61@gmail.com



GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS

Are you looking for ways to use your talents and participate in our church family?

Here are some ideas and who to contact for more information for each one:

- **ADULT CHOIR**—Jane McMullen, jane@sotpmail.com
- **ADVENTURE CLUB**—Christa Serpe cserpe76@gmail.com
- **ASSISTING MINISTER (9AM)** - Jane McMullen, jane@sotpmail.com
Sign up at: www.bit.ly/SOTPworshipteam
- **A/V TEAM** - Mike Yndestad, mike@sotpmail.com
- **BARNABAS MINISTRY**—Donna Sorensen, sorensensid@comcast.net
- **BELL CHOIR (ADULT)** —Jane McMullen, jane@sotpmail.com
- **BELL CHOIR (KIDS & YOUTH)** - Jane McMullen, jane@sotpmail.com
- **COMMUNION ASSISTANTS**—Jane McMullen, jane@sotpmail.com
Sign up with: Judie Symbal, judie.symbal@att.net
- **COMMUNION SET UP & TAKE DOWN**—Judie Symbal, judie.symbal@att.net
- **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**—Mike Yndestad, mike@sotpmail.com
- **COUNTERS**—Ralph Wehnes, ralphwehnes@sbcglobal.net
- **CRAFTING GIFTS FOR SR. CITIZENS & HOMELESS BLANKETS**—Alice Hallett, agrndmom3@gmail.com
- **GREETERS**—Elaine Gillam, suggillam@aol.com
- **NEWSLETTER MAILING PREP**—Michelle Rankin, michelle@sotpmail.com
Sign up at: www.bit.ly/SOTPFolders
- **PROPERTY TEAM**—Mark Frendreis, SOTPPROPERTY@gmail.com
- **PRAIRIE QUILTERS**—Bev Kenny krkbjk@comcast.net
- **PUBLIC RELATIONS**—Mike Yndestad mike@sotpmail.com
- **READERS**—Jane McMullen, jane@sotpmail.com
Sign up at: www.bit.ly/SOTPworshipteam
- **USHERS**—Ed Cuttle edschn28@comcast.net
- **WELCOME CENTER**—Rachael Yndestad, r.yndestad@icloud.com
Sign up at: www.bit.ly/SOTPwelcome
- **WORSHIP BAND (SINGING & INSTRUMENTAL)**—Jeff Moore, jeff@sotpmail.com

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September

1 Natalie Dobrolinsky,
Susan Krewer,
Bayleigh Masters,
Liam Nagel, Beverly
Noffz

2 Abby Fiandalo,
Phillip Jacobs, Steve
Sparks

3 Nancy Eberly,
Kristina Harvat, Alice
Miller

4 Brett DePorter, Kira
Frendreis

5 Adrienne Araoz,
Colleen Bender, Jake
Harding, Harold
Henkle, Mason
Murray, Alice
Schroeder, Teri
Wilson

6 Kelly Hibbeler, Olivia
Krewer, Adam
Walloch

7 Stephen Browne,
Jean Clausen, Jaxon
Dailey, Jeremy
Hollow, Joan Riffner,
Daniel Stallbaum

8 Samantha Grady,
Gerhardt Neukirch

9 Gail Quam

10 ... Nicole Grabs, Sue
Kamphausen, Beth
Mudge, Samantha
Szekely, Jordan Wills
Sorensen

11 ... Sally Schuett, Gloria
Scimeca, Donna
Sorensen

12 ... Leah Anderson,
Robert Falbo, Emma
Konie, Bryce Prather

13 ... Adam Luedtke,
Gladys Meese,
Marilyn Sauerberg

14 ... Tyler Allegretti, Deb
Case, Nora Frake,
Eric Lindgren, Clara
Seibert

15 ... Andrew Fulcer,
Luther Yndestad

16 ... Lori Paeth

17 ... Morgan Bach,
Joseph Case, Chris
Nack, Victor Pizarro

18 ... Linda
Christopherson,
Kristi Cordle, Donna
Newbanks, Joyce

Shotick, Rob Womac

20 ... Gordon Burseth,
Janet Fry, Joshua
Miley, Meredith
Parmele, Rob
Schuett

21 ... Autumn Kasal

22 ... Teagan Papka, Sandy
Scalise, David
Stangle, Adele
Wogstad

23 ... Tyler Greene, Ruby
Haerle, Wendy
Papka

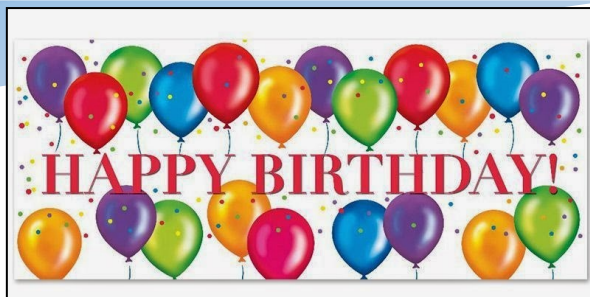
24 ... Rick Miller, David
Henry O'Neill,
Cameryn Piskule

25 ... Lois Kosmen,
Nanette Wade

26 ... John Shepard

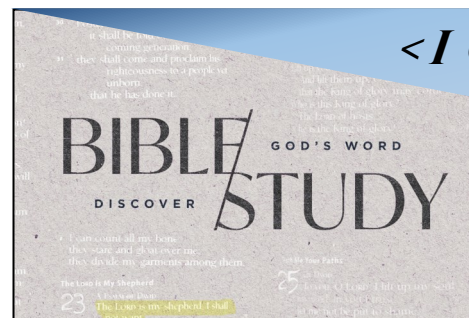
27 ... John Arneson, Haley
Sabie, Lori Wysk

28 ... Abby Clifford, Bill
Harding, Mike
Huston, Michael
Luecht, Nathan



*Our amazing heavenly Father knew you before you were
born. May His precious love and care warm your heart as
you celebrate another year.*

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For Women



Friends Bible Study meets **weekly on**
Monday afternoon from 12:30-2:00

in the Willow Room
at Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran
Church.

Come join us as we spend the
summer exploring our faith and
learning from one another.

Contact: Linda Dungey
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Fall Fest

HUNTLEY'S HOMETOWN FESTIVAL

You are invited to **HOST** our
SOTP FALL FEST BOOTH.

SIGN UP COMING SOON

Contact: Mike Yndestad mike@sotpmail.com

September 24 & 25
at Deicke Park



Church only keeps financial records on
members and non-members that have

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envelopes assigned. If you are not a
member and want envelopes, contact
the Church office.

Contact: Ralph Wehnes
ralphwehnes@sbcglobal.net

* AI ORU MĚVŽW@ ELCA World Hunger

Christmas DID come in July for ELCA World Hunger at SOTP. Combining your gifts with those from VBS we were able to give \$4,472.75 to help transform lives, and create hope in the lives of families facing food insecurity. Thanks to your generosity we received gifts for 13 chicks, 2 roosters, 34 honeybees, 17 pigs, 30 goats, 17 water filters and

other items like bibles and school supplies. These gifts help us move toward a just world where all are fed.

Contact: Becky Wright
rawright48@gmail.com



I I MĚ ² PÄĚĚ Ā Needs Your Help

THE AARRK GARDEN

Helping the homeless
through agriculture

**Interested in Purchasing
Veggies Over the Summer?**

Contact: Vik Bekeris vikbek66@yahoo.com

Fresh Vegetables brought to SOTP
weekly all summer long.



SOTP Mission Team helps support the homeless by supporting the AARK Gardens.

Here are ways you can support them:

- Volunteers needed to help pick vegetables on Saturdays. If you're able to help pick vegetables, please contact Vik.

- Collecting plastic fruit/vegetable containers (drop off in coffee bar closet).
- Purchasing vegetables grown at the AARRK Gardens, contact Vik.

Contact: Vik Bekeris
vikbek66@yahoo.com

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UPcoming EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Confirmation Parent/
Student Night, 7pm

WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 24 & 24

Fall Fest Booth at Fall Fest

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

7s Fall Kickoff, Noon

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Confirmation (1st Night),
6:30 pm

OCTOBER 1 **New Date**

Faith Statement Writing for
HS Freshman Confirmands

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

Adventure Club Kicks Off (see
pg 15)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 7s Kickoff,
Noon

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30,

Reformation Sunday &
Rite of Affirmation of
Baptism

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13 New
Member Gathering, 3pm

NOVEMBER 24 & 25

Church Office Closed for
Thanksgiving

DECEMBER 23—26 Church
Office Closed for Christmas

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 Little

Lambs Open House, 6pm

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 Labor

Day, Church Office Closed

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Sunday School Volunteer
Training, 6pm

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 Adult

Choir Rehearsals Resume,
7pm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 Sunday

School Volunteer Training,
10am

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 Rally

Day Fun for Families, Noon

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Children's Bells Kickoff (See
Pg 10)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 Artist

Series—Monroe Crossing,

7:30 pm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Sunday School Starts, 9am &
10:45—Kids start in worship

SUNDAYS

9:00 am **Traditional Worship**
9:30 am **Worship Band Rehearsal**
10:45 am **Contemporary Worship**
1:00 pm **FBW**
4:00 pm **7s Group**
(Mike & Julie Dahlin)

MONDAYS

10:00 am **Staff Meeting**
10:30 am **FBW**
12:30 pm **Friends (Women's) Bible Study**
6:30 pm **Boy Scouts Troop 200**
7:00 pm (2nd Mon) **Ministry Night**
7:00 pm (3rd Mon) **Council Meeting**

TUESDAYS

8:00 am **Men's Coffee at McDonald's by Huntley Walmart**
8:00 am **Gazebo Quilt Guild** (2nd Tuesday)
9:00 am (1st & 3rd Tues), **Prairie Pointe Quilters**
9:15 am **AL-ANON Meeting**
10:00 am **Grief Journey Meeting**
10:00 am (4th Tues), **Barnabas**
6:00 pm **Cub Scouts, Lions Meeting**
6:30 pm **Adult Bells Rehearsal**
(Starting Aug 30)
6:30 pm (1st Tues), **Scout Troop 200 Committee**
6:30 pm (1st Tues), **Boy Scouts Patrol Leader's Council**
7:00 pm **Adult Bells**

7:00 pm **Cub Scouts, Tigers Meeting**

7:00 pm **FBW**

WEDNESDAYS

10:00 am **God's Girls** (Resumes 9/14)
10:30 am **Women's FBW**
11:00 am **Bible Study with Pastor Mark** (starting 9/21)
4:30 pm **Joy Ringers** (starting 9/14)
5:10 pm **Spirit Ringers** (starting 9/14)
7:00 pm **Adult Choir** (starting 9/7)

THURSDAYS

9:00 am (2nd Thurs), **Prayer Shawl Ministry**
9:00 am (3rd Thurs) **Volunteers from SOTP at ReStore**
5:30 pm (1st Thurs), **Girl Scouts**
6:30 pm (2nd Thurs), **Lions Club**
6:30 pm, **Worship Band Rehearsal**
7:00 pm **AL-ANON Meeting**
7:00 pm **High School Youth**
7:00 pm **Cub Scouts (Bears, Webelos & Wolves)**

Times Vary **Volunteers at Habitat for Humanity ReStore**

FRIDAYS

9:30 am **Sonshine Boys**
10:30 am **Women's Coffee, McDonalds by Huntley Walmart**
10:30 am **FBW**

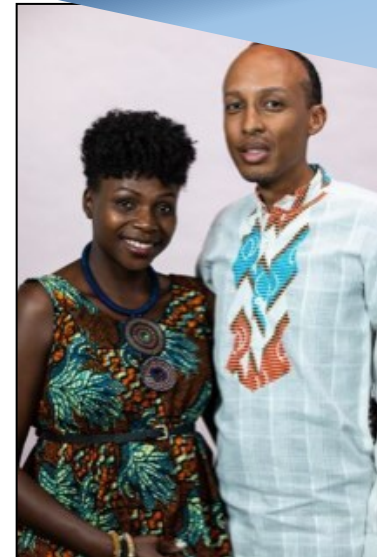
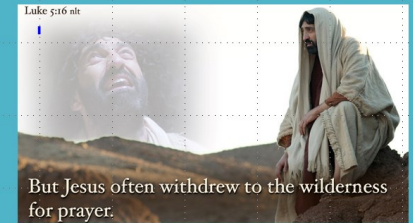
SATURDAYS

5:00 pm **Worship**



Become part of our Prayer Chain Team by emailing admin@sotpmail.com

Request prayer on our website at: sotp.org or send requests to donna@sotpmail.com



The missionaries we help sponsor in East Africa have been involved in healthcare and the rights and empowerment of women. Women and children tend to be second class

citizens in this part of the world. By encouraging them to stand up for their rights they are taking bigger role in their futures and the future of their countries.

Daudi reports that in many places he visits, the people don't have peace but those who have it are blessed with fellowship, weather and views which are lovely. To be part of the churches effort to show people the peace that surpasses all understanding blesses him and his wife, Kellen. Pray for them in their mission.

Contact: **Steve Legel**
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SOTP Mission Team

Helping Released Prisoners

LSSI meets prisoners when they are released.
We are supplying hygiene kits.



**Collection table
outside
of the main
church office.**

Contact: Sandy Hupert
sandyhupert@gmail.com

LSSI (Lutheran Social Services of Illinois) meets with prisoners the day they are released and try to help them rehabilitate.

HOW CAN WE HELP?

They need hygiene kits for when the

first are released.

Collecting now thru the last Sunday in September.

Contact: Sandy Hupert
sandyhupert@gmail.com

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**COME JOIN US
WEDNESDAYS!!
STARTING 9/14**

Joy Ringers:
ages 4 to 6
CHIMES – 5:20 – 5:45pm

Spirit Ringers:
ages 7 to 13
Wednesdays 4:30 – 5:15 PM
Must have basic music reading skills

Contact: Jane McMullen
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whom are alumni of the group, including Benji Flaming, David Robinson and Graham Sones.

Find out more about the Artists Series program at the church website sotp.org or contact jemcmullen1957@gmail.com.

Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church, located at 10805 Main Street, under the leadership of senior pastor Mark Boster,

has served the Huntley community for over 20 years.

Caption:

Pictured, from left to right, are members of the Monroe Crossing Bluegrass Band: David Robinson, banjo; Derek Johnson, guitar; Matt Thompson, mandolin; Lisa Fuglie, fiddle; and Mark Anderson, bass.

Contact: Artist Series
artistseries@sotpmail.com

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Since 2014 Shepherd of the Prairie has steadily supported FMSC, with helping hands in our packing rooms and over 37,000 meals have been funded through SOTP's generosity.



FMSC is so grateful...

"In this sea of tragedy, you are a lighthouse of God."

- Sergey Rakhuba, President of Mission Eurasia, FMSC food partner serving in Ukraine

**JOIN
THE AV TEAM**



**CREATING AN INVITING
AND ENGAGING WORSHIP
EXPERIENCE THROUGH**

- SOUND
- VIDEO
- GRAPHICS
- LIGHTING

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PCÅÇMËPØÄŽ ÑË Ì ÈPÇ Bluegrass Comes to Huntley

Shepherd of the Prairie
Lutheran Church's
Artist Series Proudly Presents

MONROE CROSSING



FREE
CONCERT

**One
of the
most
entertaining
acts in
bluegrass
today.**

**Dazzling
audiences
with an
electrifying
blend of
bluegrass &
selections
outside of
bluegrass.**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2022, 7:00 PM

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Monroe Crossing Bluegrass Band to entertain at Shepherd of the Prairie

Monroe Crossing Bluegrass Band, one of the world's most entertaining acts in bluegrass, will perform at the Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church, 10805 Main Street, Huntley on **Saturday, September 17, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.**

Attend and enjoy an evening filled with a unique and electrifying blend of classic bluegrass, bluegrass gospel, original bluegrass, and some surprising selections outside of the bluegrass genre.

No tickets are required for this live performance and freewill donations are gratefully accepted. Everyone is invited to attend.

Named in honor of Bill Monroe, the "father of bluegrass music", Monroe Crossing's superb musicianship and on-stage rapport have entertained and

thrilled audiences throughout the United States, Canada, and Europe.

In 2007, Monroe Crossing was inducted into the Minnesota Music Hall of Fame. They have twice been selected to showcase at the annual World of Bluegrass convention hosted by the International Bluegrass Music Association (IBMA). They have also appeared twice at Carnegie Hall in New York City. In 2016, Monroe Crossing had the honor of being the first Minnesota bluegrass band to perform in South Korea. They have released 17 albums to date.

The three original members of Monroe Crossing are: Mark Anderson (bass); Lisa Fuglie (fiddle & lead vocals); and Matt Thompson (mandolin & harmony vocals). Derek Johnson (guitar & lead vocals) joined in 2011. The group utilizes a cadre of very talented banjo players, all of

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The Memory Garden Benches were installed on August 2nd. Feel free to visit the Memory Garden and try out the new benches.

Contact: Ralph Wehnes
ralphwehnes@sbcglobal



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P.A.D.S.

- Camping Equipment
- Blankets (can be used)
- Sheets
- Pillows
- Socks
- Underwear (men & women)
- Wash cloths
- Shampoo
- Tooth paste
- Combs
- Towels



PADS (Public now open every friday need lunches and servers for oct, nov, the 1st & 3rd fridays and lunches to take with.

PADS (Public Action to Deliver Shelter) is always in need of these items.

Thank you for helping our friends in need.

Donations collected in a black bin marked MISSION TEAM in the storage room (#223) across the hall from the main offices.

Contact: Vik Bekeris
vikbek66@yahoo.com

Ages 2–5

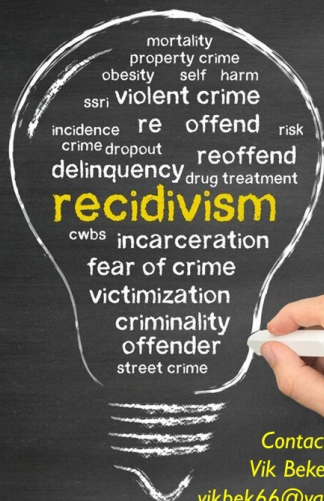
WHY: Enjoy meeting many members, and feel good as you meet and greet our church goers.

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Celebrate Re-Entry

is a Christian faith based not-for-profit organization registered as a 501 (c)(3).

Mentors Needed
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Our Goal is to
lower the
arrest
recidivism
rate
locally

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GRIEF JOURNEY GROUP

Tuesdays, 10 – 11 am
SOTP Library

Contact: Donna Kelly donna@sotpmail.com

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Sunday School Kickoff

Face
Paint

CARNIVAL
THEME

INTRODUCING OUR
NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL
CURRICULUM
ORANGE 252 KIDS

RALLY DAY

Fun for the whole family!

Sunday
Sept 11
Noon



Games

Contact: Jill Gillming jill@sotpmail.com

September 18th will be our first session with our new Sunday school curriculum Orange 252 Kids. Sunday School will be **during both the 9:00 and 10:45 services.**

The children will start with their family in church and after the Children's Message they will be escorted down to the Fellowship Hall together. When the session is over the children will be brought back to the sanctuary to finish the service with their family. We are very excited to kick off this amazing program. The month of September we will focus on Trust. "Trust in the Lord with all your

heart. Do not depend on your own understanding" Proverbs 3:5. Throughout history, God had been faithful to us. God kept his promise to send Jesus to save us. When we remember that God will continue to be dependable, we can choose to trust God no matter what we might face in life.

Register for Sunday School online at:
www.bit.ly/SOTPKids

Are you interested in helping with Sunday School? Please contact Jill Gillming. jill@sotpmail.com

Contact: Jill Gillming
jill@sotpmail.com

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Extra Hands Needed

Extra hands needed for our group activities—no experience necessary, just the desire to share Jesus' love with our kids.

Contact:
Jill Gillming
jill@sotpmail.com

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Please register your 6th, 7th & 8th graders online at www.bit.ly/SOTPconfirmation

This year's Parent/Student Night will take place in the sanctuary and will include plans for the year, introductions of students to their small group leaders, Q&A w/ parents, etc. Please plan to attend with your student.

- **September 21:** All 6th, 7th and 8th Grade parents with their students, we will be starting at **7:00 PM**

- Our first night of Full confirmation class will be on **September 28** beginning at **6:30 PM**. We will plan to meet for 1 and a half hours, finishing at 8:00 PM.

Affirmation of Baptism:

The Affirmation of Baptism Service,

for last year's 8th Graders, will take place on

Reformation Sunday, **October 30, 2022**. In order to prepare for this service, we are planning an evening event which will enable the students to prepare their Faith Statements under the direction of several leaders.

Further information regarding Confirmation, Affirmation of Baptism and the Faith Statement weekend will be communicated via email from our Youth team (youth@sotpmail.com). If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Bob McDuffee (Youth Team Leader), Pastor Mark or Pastor Ryan.

Contact: Bob McDuffee
youth@sotpmail.com



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ADVENTURE CLUB

Fall Session

Wednesdays – 7 weeks
Starting Oct 5 @ 5 pm

Register:

www.bit.ly/SOTPAventureClub

Contact: Pastor Mark Boster pastormark@sotpmail.com



**ALL
4TH & 5TH
GRADERS
INVITED!**

Adventure Club is a midweek fun, activity based, with a little Bible thrown in the mix, group for our 4th and 5th grade students at SOTP. The seven-week adventure will begin on Wednesday, October 5 at 5:00 pm. The seven-week session in the fall will focus on "Grit." Our Bible

focus verse will be Galatians 6:9, Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Sign your students up at <https://bit.ly/SOTPAventureClub>

Contact: Pastor Mark Boster
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Now Hiring!
PRESCHOOL TEACHER'S AID
for more info:
<https://indeedhi.re/3IdRng4>
Contact: Matt Morrison
matt@sotpmail.com



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I am looking for one or two new offering counters. We count offerings on Monday morning (Tuesday if Monday is a holiday) at church. We usually start between 8:00am and 9:00am depending on who the lead counter is. It usually takes an hour to an hour

and a half. Normally you will sign up for a month at a time. If you are interested, contact Ralph Wehnes, 224 -569-2808 or email at ralphwehnes@sbcglobal.net.

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