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Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church
Huntley, IL sotp.org 847/669-9448

A Note

From Pastor Mark



Dear Sisters and
Brothers in Christ,

Ah, Summer.

Our students — and teachers — are enjoying a well-deserved break from the school environment. Gardeners wait for that first red, ripe tomato. Folks are already packing for those trips they plan to take.

When summer arrives, it seems to stretch ahead endlessly, but like everything, this too shall pass. Students go back to school and face that inevitable essay, “What I Did Over The Summer.”

Rather than ask you that question in the fall, I’m asking you a different question as spring draws to a close — “What Will You Do During This Summer?” What do you want to accomplish this summer? What book do you want to read? What place do you want to go? What act of kindness do you wish to accomplish? What ministry might you begin?

It wouldn’t hurt to take out a pencil and a blank sheet of paper and write a paragraph with the title, “What I Will Do This Summer in the Name of Christ.” (I say pencil because we’re allowed to make changes — now and in the future.)

Ask yourself, “How will I accomplish this? What steps are required? What should I do ahead of time?” Then seal it in an envelope labeled “To be opened September 5 (Labor Day Weekend).” Place it in a prominent spot, where you will see it and reflect on it.

Every action — a poem written, a book read, a wall painted, a garden planted, a child kissed, a fully vaccinated friend hugged, a sun basked in, a trip taken, a burger flipped, a prayer prayed, a flower enjoyed, a person praised — can be performed for the glory of God.

The summer lies ahead. Make weekend worship a priority in your life, either in person or online. Take a little time now to decide how you’re going to praise God and actually bless the moments you’re granted.

Who knows? You may accomplish those great and glorious things.

Blessings,

Pastor Mark

Coffee Connect

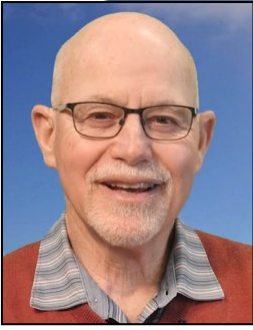
Online



Join Pastor Mark online
Sunday mornings from 10:00 – 10:30
am at www.bit.ly/SOTPcoffee

Join once—or weekly.

Adult Education With Pastor Bill



During these last nine months we've immersed ourselves in the biblical story in a variety of

ways. From 1 John to Pastor Curt's Bible study on 1 Thessalonians to the Gospel of Mark to the many metaphors for God to the Laments and the Songs of Praise, we've covered a lot of territory! Now it's time for a break. June, July, and August will bring us a different rhythm. Like the summer re-runs on TV, we'll make available some of the Bible studies from this past year. They'll be sent out on Thursdays as usual. But these three months will also give Pastor Bill time to prepare for new studies that will be offered beginning in September. In addition, we'll be updating the

Adult Education classroom on the far west end of the church building. This will include a new 70-inch video screen that will be mounted on the west wall of the room, which means the current back of the room will become the front! It also means we hope to have in-person classes on Sundays and Wednesdays starting in September. Alleluia! We'll still be recording and sending the Bible studies out on-line too, but in-person classes means we can be together again to share our thoughts and insights with each other. So even though we won't be recording new studies this summer, we will be busy making preparations for the fall. Exciting! See you then! a summer break, we'd be delight

Pastor Bill

Ministry Musings With Donna

Recently, I was reading about how the word "light" is used in Scripture. In the beginning God said, "Let there be light", and there was light. According to Genesis, there was light even before the sun came into being.

John 1:4-5 says, "In him was life and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it." In John 8 Jesus declares, " I AM the light of the world. Whoever follows

me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life". And in Matthew 5 he says to his followers, "You are the light of the world". I had never really connected those two things before. Jesus is the light of the world that shines in the darkness and we are to be the light to the world.

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Ministry Musings

With Donna

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We are to continue to shine the light of Jesus into the world around us. But then I got thinking about light and how it works. I tuned off the light in the room and looked at the darkness for a moment; then I turned the light back on. I noticed that as I did, I didn't so much look at the light itself but at what I could now see because of the light. I thought about how light is not so much something we see directly, but more about something by which we see the things around us. When the light came on, for just a second, I looked at the light; then I looked at what was around me. Without the light, I couldn't see those things. But, with the light I could see them, perhaps in a new way.

Then I went back to Jesus saying he is the light of the world and that so are we the light of the world. As I pondered that, I began to realize that Jesus is the light which lights us and ena-

bles us to be the light to others. We need to look at Jesus until we can look out at the world with his kind of eyes and reflect his light to all. His light shines on those around us and all of creation so that we can see people and the cosmos from his point of view. Not 'us and them' or 'those others' or even 'the least of these,' but as people created and loved by God just as equally as God loves you and me. Creation becomes not just something to be used up or taken advantage of, but something God created and loves and has asked us to care for and celebrate. I hope that each time I turn on a light or wake up in the morning to the light of a new day I can remember that I can reflect and be the light of Jesus to everyone and everything.

Donna Kelly



Unused Tablets Collection

New ministry starting here at SOTP soon but we need your help!

SOTP is collecting gently used tablets—*the ones that are sitting at home collecting dust because*

you don't use them anymore.



We will be erasing everything currently on these devices before using. Please drop off at Welcome Center or church office.

Contact: Michelle Rankin
michelle@sotpmail.com

*Youth Mission Trip
Fundraiser*

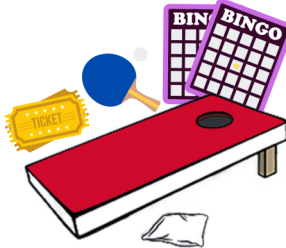
Bags & Bingo

2021 HS Mission Trip Fundraiser

FELLOWSHIP!

Silent Auctions!

Raffle Baskets!



Snack Shack!

50/50 Raffle!

Ping Pong vs Pastor

**June 5th, 2021
12:00PM - 4:30PM
@ Shepherd of the Prairie**

Bags Tournament!

**\$10 For Random Draw Partner
\$25 For Prearranged Team**

Tournament Begins at 1:00pm
Come to Watch or Play!

Championship Prize:

2021 Mission Trip T-Shirt
Lou Malnati's Pizza Certificate
BRAGGING RIGHTS!

BINGO!

\$1 Per Card

New Rounds Every 30 Minutes!

Prizes:

Gift Cards
Raffle Tickets
50/50 Tickets
Giveaways
And Much More!

**Thank You For Supporting
our High School Youth!**

Sign-Up at Church between services!

Questions? Email Kurtis at kurtis@sotpmail.com

Register for Bags Tournament at:

www.bit.ly/SOTPbags21

Donate to the trip online at:

www.bit.ly/SOTPgiving (Youth Missions)

Children & Family

News

SHEPHERD OF THE PRAIRIE LUTHERAN CHURCH
10805 MAIN ST HUNTLEY, IL

★ ——— OUTDOOR ——— ★ MOVIE NIGHT



SATURDAY



JUNE 12TH



8PM



FEAT: THE CROODS A NEW AGE



Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church

Children & Family Ministry Summer Schedule

May - July 2021

Event	Date	Time	Location
Summer T-Shirt Day	May 16th	10:00 - 10:40 AM	Church Lawn
Sunday Fun Day	June 6th	10:00 - 10:40 AM	Church Lawn
Outdoor Movie Night	June 12th	8:00 PM	Church Lawn
Dixieland Band Outdoor Concert	July 3rd	7:00 PM	Church Parking Lot/Lawn
Sunday Fun Day	July 18th	10:00 - 10:40 AM	Church Lawn
VBS	July 26th - 29th	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Church Parking Lot/Lawn

“Once a month, children can come and participate in our ‘Sunday Fun Day’ in between church services. Each Sunday Fun Day will have varying activities whether that be chalk art, crafts, games, or more. This will be a chance to have fun in fellowship together!”

Contact: Tessa DeLong tessa@sotpmail.com

Children & Family News

Registration
Coming!



Rocky Railway VBS 2021

ROCKY RAILWAY
JESUS' POWER PULLS US THROUGH

SAVE THE DATE!

July 26th - 29th • 9am-12pm

Contact: Tessa DeLong
tessa@sotpmail.com

Watch in the Friday Flourish for updates. (If you don't receive the Friday Flourish by email already and want to, send a request to Dennis at admin@sotpmail.com)

Little Lambs Preschool 2021-2022



PRESCHOOL

Registration

Our preschool has programs for children ages 2-4 (by September 1, 2021).

Children do not need to be potty trained.

Our class sizes are small (not more than 10-12 per class). 1, 2 & 3 day classes are available to both members and non-members.

For more information go to

<http://bit.ly/LLambsInfo>

Contact: Jill Gillming
LittleLambs@sotpmail.com

Little Lambs Preschool is now enrolling for the 2021-2022 school year.

High School Youth At SOTP



Happy June

Shepherd of the Prairie!

It has been such a great experience working with the High School Youth Group (HSYG) and Confirmation Students since October of 2020. Over the last few months, we have seen our program grow exponentially. The month of June will be a little different than our regularly scheduled HSYG due to the excitement of the 2021 Mission Trip.

Kurtis Arndt
Youth Ministry Intern

June 3rd, 2021 - Final Check-In Mission Trip 2021

Students and Guardians of Students going on our 2021 Mission Trip "Simplicity" will be getting final details of our trip, making sure forms are filled out to perfection, as well as going over how to pack, how we will travel, and answer any questions.

June 10th, 2021 - End of the School Year Party

Come celebrate the end of the school year we will have ourselves a tiny celebration of graduation, promotion,

and fun. Expect some outdoor activities, a very quick lesson on what Jesus what calls us to do, as well as a fire pit with s'mores.

June 17th, 2021 - Simplicity Mission Trip

We ask for prayers as we are on our 2021 Mission Trip This Week!

June 24th, 2021- Mission Trip Reunion and HSYG Summer Sessions Begin

We will be back together! All are welcome to come and get back into the flow of HSYG. We will have an evening filled with reconnecting with games, food, and fun.

THE FUN!

*Contact: Kurtis Arndt
kurtis@sotpmail.com*

Dixieland Concert At SOTP

!HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA!

Come join the SOTP Artist Series on July 3, at 7 PM. The Brass Band from Brassworks will lead us in a wonderful

tribute to our country.
Watch for more details.

*Contact: Artist Series Committee
artistseries@sotpmail.com*

Thank You Nurses! From SOTP



your heroic and
life saving work!"

"This was just one small, but
important, token of appreciation we
felt was necessary to thank the

Members of the Community Outreach
Ministry of Shepherd of the Prairie
Lutheran Church in Huntley recently
reached out to the community to
acknowledge area nurses during
National Nurses Week May 6-12.
With packages of "Smallcakes"
cupcakes and other treats in a variety
of flavors, the Rev. Mark Boster and
committee members Bob and Carolyn
Malm visited area hospitals, including
Northwestern Medicine in Huntley and
McHenry; and Advocate Sherman
Hospital in Elgin to deliver the goodies
in appreciation to nurses who have
gallantly served the community during
the COVID-19 pandemic.
The sweet treats included a note that
said, "Our heartfelt appreciation for

nurses of our community," said Bob
Malm, who along with his wife,
Carolyn, personally delivered 40
cupcakes to the surprise of recipients
at Advocate Sherman Hospital.
Malm was also appreciative to the
Smallcakes Cupcakery and Creamery in
South Barrington, which was very
generous in assisting Shepherd of the
Prairie Lutheran Church in this effort.
The Community Outreach Ministry is
active in reaching out to the greater
Huntley area. It sponsors several
events, including the successful Food
Drives to benefit the Grafton Food
Pantry in Huntley, which serves
individuals from Huntley, Algonquin,
Lake in the Hills, and Lakewood.

Public Relations Help Needed



Our Community
Outreach ministry is in
need of a Public

Relations Coordinator. This person
helps ministries & staff gather
information about activities for press
releases and advertisements in news
papers and Digital advertising on the
Internet. The PR Coordinator would be
a member of our Community Outreach
team and responsible for sending this

information to our church's
publicist. If this sounds like an
interesting way to serve your church
and the kingdom of God, please
contact Our Community Outreach
Chairman, Mike Yndestad.

Contact: Mike Yndestad
mike@sotpmail.com

Mission Team Shared at SOTP

Ending hunger will take more than food. Addressing climate change is a critical step in this work. That's why ELCA World Hunger is excited to share a new opportunity from Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary's Center for Climate Justice and Faith. The Center's work focuses on helping leaders learn about sustainability, caring for creation and working for justice so that all can enjoy the abundance of God's creation. The Center is inviting leaders to participate in a non-degree learning program from



"La Lucha," mural in PLTS classroom by Cristian Muñoz and Pancho Pescador © 2019.

September 2021-May 2022.

For more information go to: <http://bit.ly/CertCJinterest> to complete an interest form or contact pmorad@plts.edu.

Contact: Becky Wright
rawright48@gmail.com

Habitat for Humanity Workers—Soon!

"Habitat for Humanity" has a building site in Carpentersville that will need workers shortly. They think details will be available in the early part of June. They sent us photos of the new foundation and specs. Once I receive a possible schedule it will be placed in the Friday Flourish. Their Restore is still not



open for volunteers."

Contact: Carl Hupert
carlhupert@gmail.com



Welcome Center Help Needed

Welcome Center Volunteers Needed
We are officially Re-Opening our welcome center at church **starting on June 20th** and we need your help to greet visitors with a smile, let them know we are happy to see them and welcome them to Shepherd of the Prairie. At the Welcome Center we have visitors fill out an information form, give them a mug, and thank them for their interest with

encouragement and kindness. The Welcome Center is a Shepherd Of The Prairie Community Outreach ministry. We need people like you to sign up and greet people at the end of each service.

Sign up online at
www.bit.ly/SOTPwelcome

Contact: Rachael Yndestad
r.yndestad@icloud.com



Food Drive At SOTP

**Saturday June 12th,
9:00 am—1:00 pm.**

Contact: Bob & Carolyn Malm
c.r.malm@att.net

Drive through Food Drive—collecting items for Grafton Food Pantry.



SOTP has a group that is making gifts for

nursing home residents.

At this time, they are making door hangers with bells for most of the residents and sensory animals for Alzheimer's residents.

They are looking for donations of:

- ⇒ Yarn
- ⇒ Ribbon
- ⇒ Material (any type)
- ⇒ Bells
- ⇒ Plastic Canvas

Also welcoming anyone else interested in helping them make these gifts.

Contact: Alice Hallett
agrndmom3@gmail.com

Altar Flowers

Donations

Let There Be Flowers

Joyfully, we have begun to meet in person for our worship services as well as doing our online services. We continue to ask you to please consider signing up to donate flowers to brighten up the sanctuary. As normal, each arrangement is \$50. The bouquets are delivered from the florist for the weekend worship services. You can pick up your flowers after the Sunday services or on the Monday following. The church is open from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. If you are interested in donating flowers, please contact Diane Mollis at dem910@outlook.com or use the sign



up sheets located on the bulletin board in the church lobby. Provide your name, address, phone number, for whom the flowers are dedicated to or in memory of, and which Sunday you are interested in displaying the bouquet. If you have any questions, you may call Diane at 224-654- 6677. Thank you for saying yes to flowers for the sanctuary

*Contact: Diane Mollis
224-654- 6677*

Your Garden Blooms

Shared at SOTP

During the upcoming months, we would like to celebrate summer with flowers from our church members' gardens. If you have a flower garden and would like to share your blooms to enhance our worship services, please let us know. We would like the flowers and greens brought to the church on Friday morning. Please call Barb on 815-258-6854 or Diane on 224-654-6677 if you would like to schedule a drop off time. We would



need to make sure they are put in vases right away. Hopefully, we can get enough to create a beautiful arrangement or two.

*Contact: Diane Mollis
dem910@outlook.com*

New Members Welcome!



May 23, 2021

Sandra Johnson

Christine Rider

Carlene Moeller

Nanette Fabros

Dorothy Scrocco

Art & Carol Puotinen

Christopher & Quinn Murray; Mason, Noah

Interested in becoming a member? Join us for our next New Member Gathering on Sunday, August 15th at 4:00 pm.

RSVP to Donna Kelly at donna@sotpmail.com

Grief Journey Tuesdays



to introduce yourself and tell us who you have lost. You don't need to be a member of SOTP, nor is there a charge for participation in this group.

This group is for all who have lost a loved one whether it is a spouse, parent, sibling, child, grandchild, friend or any other relational loss. We meet in person, socially distanced, every Tuesday evening from 6 to 7 pm.

For more information, please contact Donna Kelly at donna@sotpmail.com or through the church office, 847-669-9448.

*Contact: Donna Kelly
donna@sotpmail.com*

If you have lost a loved one and would like to be part of a group that can provide support, comfort and ideas for journeying through this season of grief, we here at Shepherd of the Prairie would like to provide that kind of opportunity for you. There are no requirements or need to commit to a specific length of time to attend, nor that you must attend every session; you don't even need to speak except

Ministry Night

Join Us

If you would like to find out more about our ministries and how to join in the fun, visit Ministry Night! Ministry Night is held on the second Monday of every month at 7pm. You can sit in with any of our ministry groups that are meeting and find out more about them.

Hope to see you there!!
COME
JOIN IN THE FUN!



Contact: Donna Kelly
donna@sotpmail.com

Online Giving

Link



**Remember: your offerings are a blessing.
And blessings keep on giving.
Online Giving Available at:**

<https://bit.ly/SOTPgiving>

Questions? Contact: Michelle Rankin Michelle@sotpmail.com

Stay Connected

emails

**Do you
receive our email
communications?**

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

To start receiving any 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.

Prayer Chain Information



Send your prayer requests directly to the Prayer Chain at:
sotp-prayer-chain@gaggle.email

To join us & pray for those who need prayers, e-mail your request to: admin@sotpmail.com

Contact: Donna Kelly
donna@sotpmail.com

Quilting at SOTP



Tuesdays of the month from nine to eleven-thirty.

If you are a new member of the church and would like to come to join us, all that is required is to tie a knot, sew squares together, help layout a quilt, or

pin on a quilt backer. Our quilts go for World Relief and other projects here in the states.

Contact: Nancy Morbeck
jmorbeck@sbcglobal.net

Know how to quilt?

Great!

Don't know how?

We will teach you.

Join us for quilting and fellowship.
We are meeting on the 1st & 3rd



[@shepherdoftheprairie](https://www.facebook.com/shepherdoftheprairie)

Social Media Follow Us



Follow us on
Instagram

Northern IL Food Bank

Thank You!

Thank you all so very much for helping do **God's Work With Your Hands** at the Northern Illinois Food Bank on Saturday morning, May 15, 2021. You were a real blessing to both our hungry neighbors and to me. I truly enjoyed working with you.

Thank you to our SOTP volunteers:

- Adrien, Jose, Julie & Jack Araoz
- Vik & Lisa Bekeris
- Maria Drinkwater
- Cielo Geraldo
- Carol Gerhardt
- Steve Legel
- Marian Mesnebrink
- Barbara Nelso
- Larry Newbanks
- Joan Riffner
- Marilyn Sauerberg
- Ronda Shoemaker
- Carol Spiller
- Kim Stancl
- Sharon & Dave Stangle
- John Thunholm
- Julie Valentino
- Jock Voss

This year, unlike any other year, due to the pandemic, our number of volunteers was limited to 22. It turned out that 18 people attended and worked together on the project having to do with canned beans and canned corn. You packed **4,060 pounds of food providing 3,384**

meals for our hungry neighbors in 13 counties of Northern Illinois.

Then after the work project was finished, we took a group photo. Then several of the volunteers went out or lunch together. We all very much enjoyed each other's company as well as the good food, good service, at quite reasonable prices.

"This was definitely a day that the Lord had made, so let us rejoice and be glad in it!" Psalm 118:24

Contact: Sharon Stangle
stangle.ds@gmail.com





Grand Piano Final Contributions

Final Contributions: We are still a few dollars short of our final payment for the Sanctuary Grand Piano. If you were planning on contributing to this fund, now would

be a great time to make your final contributions. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your consideration, the Finance Team.

Contact: Bob Mollis
bobmollis@outlook.com

Volunteer Sign Up For VBS

Rocky Railway VBS

Register Here:

vbspro.events/p/sotp21



July 26th - 29th • 9am-12pm

Contact: Tessa DeLong
tessa@sotpmail.com

VBS Volunteer Registration is officially open! Sign up for the volunteer position you are interested in for this year's Vacation Bible School!

Sign up at:

vbspro.events/p/sotp21

Contact: Tessa DeLong
tessa@sotpmail.com



Cleaning house? Donations of books, movies, games & cell phones can be dropped off in the closet across from the new offices. They are turned in for cash which will go directly toward reducing the mortgage on our building.

Collecting Used Items

Contact: Michelle Rankin
michelle@sotpmail.com

AARRK Gardens

Fresh Veggies

The AARRK Gardens is a non-profit in McHenry County that is helping the homeless and disadvantaged through agriculture.

Vegetables will be delivered every Sunday.

The cost is \$150 for the whole season.

Another way to help out:

SOTP is collecting the following items for the AARRK Gardens to help:

- Egg cartons
- Hanging planters (cleaned out, old or new)



- Plastic fruit containers (berries, cherry tomatoes....)

Please drop them off in the bag on the tables outside of the office suite.

Contact: Vik Bekeris
vikbek66@yahoo.com

Church Picnic

Save the Date!

Shepherd of the Prairie
Lutheran Church
Annual

**church
picnic**
plan to attend!

Sunday, August 22, 2021
Following 10:45 am Service
At Deicke Park
(Shelter is reserved!)

**SAVE
THE
DATE!**

*Hoping we can get
together!*

Teachers Needed For Sunday School

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED!



If you are interested in teaching Sunday School in the Fall, we would love to have you!

Contact Tessa DeLong
tessa@sotpmail.com



  @shepherdoftheprairie

Men's Coffee Tuesdays



All men are welcome to join us at McDonald's in front of Walmart in Huntley for coffee at 8:00 am on Tuesday mornings weekly.

Contact: Curt Gerald
curtgerald61@gmail.com

Funeral Pre-Planning Packet



Now available at church, "A Guide for Pre-Planning Your Funeral Service". This booklet was prepared by Ken Pohlmann several years ago. Michelle has updated some of the information in the booklet.

Available online at
www.bit.ly/SOTPfuneral

Or you can pick up a copy in the church office.

Contact: Michelle Rankin
michelle@sotpmail.com

LSSI News

Advocacy Program



Lutheran Social Services of Illinois: they're an agency that provides human services in a variety of different areas, child community services, behavioral health services, affordable housing, prison and family ministry, and senior services. Shepherd of the Prairie has supported the work of Lutheran Social Services for many years, as do Lutherans in our sister congregations. It is important work that we do and in partnership with many others, including the State of Illinois and the federal government. Working together God uses us to change and heal lives, build strong communities, and share the Good News of love and wholeness.

LSSI has an advocacy program so when the State needs to hear our

voices in support of the vital services, they provide we can easily respond to lend the kind of support that they need. It usually involves sending an email to a state representative, perhaps a phone call, or if time allows a personal letter. If you go to LSSI.org/advocacy you can sign up to receive a weekly mailing, and like them on their Facebook page. When they need our support, they send an alert and instruction about the help they need. Keep an eyes on the Friday Flourish for updates.

Contact: The Mission Team & Bob Lesher bobsue81@gmail.com

Blood Drive Registration

Thank you for being a hero—your support helps us save lives! Someone needs blood every three seconds – just think of the impact you're making in the lives of people across Illinois!

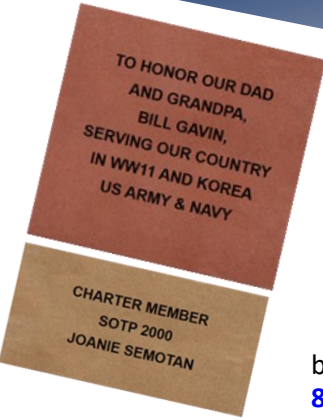
Blood Drive at Shepherd of the Prairie
Sunday, July 11th from 8:00 am—Noon.



Register at:
www.bit.ly/SOTPbd21

Contact: Nancy Ottinger
neotter@atol.com

Memory Garden Bricks



Memory Brick orders for the first phase must be received at the Church by **Tuesday June 8th**. We will submit the order and the first

shipment should arrive approximately mid to late July, about the same time as the Columbarium is expected to arrive. We will send a second order into Polar Engraving after the Columbarium arrives if we receive orders for five or more bricks.

*Contact: Ralph Wehnes
ralphwehnes@sbcglobal.net*

Help Needed Ways to Serve



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:

- A/V Booth—Mike Yndestad, mike@sotpmail.com
- Communion Assistants—Judie Symbal, judie.symbal@att.net
- Communion Set Up & Take Down—Judie Symbal, judie.symbal@att.net
- Community Outreach—Mike Yndestad, mike@sotpmail.com
- Crafting Gifts for Sr. Citizens—Alice Hallett,

agrndmom3@gmail.com

- Greeters—Elaine Gillam, suggillam@aol.com
- Property Team—Mark Frendreis, SOTPPROPERTY@gmail.com
- Public Relations—Mike Yndestad mike@sotpmail.com
- Sanitizing Crew—Tom Polzin, Tapolzin@aol.com
- Ushers—Andrew Szekely, Adrew.Szekely@outlook.com
- Vacation Bible School—Tessa DeLong, tessa@sotpmail.com
- Welcome Center—Rachael Yndestad, r.yndestad@icloud.com
- Worship Band (Singing & Instrumental)—Brian Buesing, brian@sotpmail.com

Scheduled Weekly

At SOTP

Sundays

9:00 am Traditional Worship

10:00 am Coffee Connect
(Online), see pg 2

10:45 am Contemporary
Worship

1:00 pm FBW

Mondays

10:00 am Staff Meeting

10:30 am FBW

12:30 pm Friends (Women's)
Bible Study

7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop
200

Tuesdays

8:00 am Men's Coffee

Afternoons LIGHT Program

6:00 pm Grief Journey
Meeting, See pg 13

7:00 pm Cub Scouts, Wolves
Meeting

7:00 pm Heartland Voices
rehearsal

7:00 pm FBW

Wednesdays

10:00 am God's Girls
(2x monthly over summer)

10:30 am Women's FBW

6:30 pm Cub Scouts,
Webelos

7:00 pm Confirmation
(breaking for summer)

Thursdays

7:00 pm High School Youth
Group, see pg 8

7:00 pm Cub Scouts, Tigers
& Bears

Fridays

9:30 am Sonshine Boys

10:30 am FBW

Saturdays

5:00 pm Worship

What's Happening

Scheduled Monthly At SOTP

Barnabas, 2nd Tues, 10:00 am
Boy Scouts, Patrol Council, 1st
Tues, 6:30 pm
Boy Scouts, Troop 200
Committee, 1st Tues, 6:30 pm
Council Meeting, 3rd Mon,
7:00 pm

Girl Scouts, 1st
Thurs, 5:30 pm
Ministry Night, 2nd Mon, 7:00
pm, see pg 14
Prairie Point Quilters, 1st &
3rd Tues, 9:00 am, see pg 14
Prayer Shawl Ministry, 2nd
Thurs, 9:00 am

Special Events Coming to SOTP

Saturday, June 5

Bags & Bingo—Youth
Fundraiser, pg 5

Sunday, June 6

Sunday Fun Day 10:00 am,
pg
New Member Reunion,
11:30 am

Saturday, June 12th

Food Drive for Grafton Food
Pantry
Outdoor Movie Night, 8:00
pm

Saturday, July 3rd

Dixieland Band Concert,
7:00 pm

Sunday, July 11

Blood Drive, 8:00 am—1:00
pm

Sunday, July 18th

Sunday Fun Day, 10:00 am

Mon. July 26—Thurs. July 29

Vacation Bible School, 9:00
am

Weekend of August 14 & 15

Heartland Voices Concerts

Sunday, August 22

Annual Church Picnic, Noon

Birthdays

June



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| 1 Rebecca Miller | | |
| 2 Michelle Jacobs, Sydney McGuine, Mark Michalak, Shonna Rankin | Elaine Berens, Kymberly Clementi, Susan Falbo, Noah Konie, Merle Lewis | Galati, Ethan Gartzke, Hannah Robinson |
| 3 Olivia Lorenzo, Candi McNeal, Brady Prather, Josephine Stoica | 11 Carole Cesario, Anthony Serpe | 21 John Browne, Michael Glosson, Karin Henkle |
| 4 Nathaniel Black, Sandy Martin, Ken Pohlmann, Kim Stancl, Jacob Trevino | 12 Ava Galati, Sandy Kramlich, Merilyn Schnell, Payton Serpe, Henry Womac, Harley Young | 22 Margaret Motyka, Anne Nagel |
| 5 Conrad Barta, Curtis Hollabaugh, Rachael Yndestad | 13 Max Wondriska | 23 Kimberly Ernst, Rebecca Fulcer, Ron Knudsen |
| 6 Jamie Elam, Sandra Meyer, Rob Satalino, Kim Scalise, Frances Wilson | 14 Lilja Farnam | 24 Mary Lou Chamberlain, Avary Deblieck, Mary Klatt, Susan Krizmanich |
| 7 Chuck Bayser, Joanne Bychowsky, Corin Casablanca, Anneliese Espinoza | 15 Vicki Maraviglia, McKenzie Schlachta, Shawn Smosna | 24 Robert Leshner, Kathy Pizarro |
| 8 Jonathan Boster, Kathy Miller, Rebecca Mudge | 16 Sharon Mundt | 25 Jacob Andrew Marx |
| 9 Kellen McNeal, Kaitlyn Richards, Gloria Samuelson | 17 Leah Bloomfield | 26 Austin Allegretti, Barb Carr, Katie Casablanca, Stevie Massei, Dennis Perkey, Alexander Rojas |
| 10 Lisa Adams, | 18 Leah Bloomfield | 27 Reagan Bishop, Kelly Stallbaum, Ella Ullrich |
| | 19 Deanne Byers, Emily Dunfrund, Jill Gillming, Megan Palombit, Judie Symbol, Patrick Ullrich | 28 Carolyn Malm, Daniel Rossman |
| | 20 Matthew Alpert, Morgan Alpert, Len Cardascio, Matteo | 29 Anthony Maraviglia |
| | | 30 David Huston, Dana Turk |

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



Volunteer Schedules

June 2021



		June 5 & 6	June 12 & 13	June 19 & 20	June 26 & 27
Communion Assistants Contact: Judie Symbal judie.symbal@att.net	SAT 5:00 PM	Gail Quam	Joy Nesta	Tamara Polzin	Barb Hoppensteadt
	SUN 9:00 AM	Chris & Sara Solem Eileen Gerald	Larry & Donna Newbanks Barb Pagano	Wayne & Audrey Schmidt Tom Polzin	Ed & Carolyn Cuttle Judie Symbal
	SUN 10:45 AM	Tracy & Bob McDuffee Marge Marlowe	Linda & Grant Jahr Donna Schnepff	Bob & Diane Mollis Vik Bekeris	John & Marlene Boehler Marge Marlowe
Counters	Mon	Warren Brody, John Throckmorton, Donna Turner, Marilyn Wilhelm			
Greeters HELP NEEDED Contact: Elain Gillam suggillam@aol.com	SAT 5:00 PM			Gail Quam & Sue Blotch	
	SUN 9:00 AM	Cheryl Adams & Elaine Gillam	Sue Wehnes & Eileen Gerald	Dottie Bobzin & PJ Knudsen	Pat Bauer & Carol Engstrom
	SUN 10:45 AM	Marge Marlowe	Marge Marlowe	Jim & Marlene Hunt	Jim & Marlene Hunt
Newsletter Mailing Prep		Lois Jensen & Marilyn Wilhelm			
Sanitizing Crew HELP NEEDED Contact: Tom Polzin Tapolzin@aol.com	Sat	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
	Betwn Srvc	Barb Pagano	Tom Polzin	Vik Bekeris	Ed Cuttle
Ushers HELP NEEDED Contact: Andrew Szekely Adrew.Szekely@outlook.com	SAT 5:00 PM	Karen Eckert Lynn Meyer	Jim & Diana Murphy	Carol Hartman Sue Mattiucci	Randi Dawson Steve Murphy
	SUN 9:00 AM	WALTER LEMKE Art Rydan Warren Brody (?)	JACK CONTI Pete & Harriet Thompson Carol Engstrom	VIK BEKERIS Pete & Harriet Thompson	ED CUTTLE Carolyn Cuttle Ralph & Sue Wehnes Jerry & Pat Darrow Dennis Houghton
	SUN 10:45 AM	BOB MCDUFFEE Vik Bekeris Chuck Peterson Jacob Fiandalo	MARK FRENDRUIS Vik Bekeris Ron Mudge (S)	VIK BEKERIS Don Koerner Jeff Ottens Judy Petropulos	ANDREW SZEKELY Bob & Diane Mollis Vik Bekeris

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report as of April 30,2021

General Fund Report: The Unrestricted General Fund Balance is \$291,167. Total income for the month was \$55,007 and total expenses for the month was \$60,032. Approximately 4.47 months of General Fund reserves.

Mortgage Service Fund Report: The Mortgage Service Fund Balance is \$75,871. Income for the month was \$19,823. The monthly mortgage payment is \$19,536. Approximately 3.88 months of Mortgage Service Fund reserves.

This Month

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Income:	\$55,007	\$65,115	(\$10,108)
Expenses:	\$60,032	\$66,803	(\$ 6,771)

Year-to-Date

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Income:	\$250,896	\$260,460	(\$ 9,564)
Expense:	\$246,117	\$266,444	(\$20,327)

Mortgage Service Fund

Income for Month: \$19,823

Fund Balance: \$75,871

Respectfully Submitted

Robert C. Mollis

Amazon Fundraising

Do you shop Amazon? If so, you can shop AmazonSmile and select SOTP as your nonprofit. Amazon then donates 0.5% of your eligible purchase to SOTP.



It may not seem like much, but **we have already received \$1,689.83** as of March 2021.

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