

# WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

November 13, 2020

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church [www.shephills.org](http://www.shephills.org)

## RISING UP! Stewardship Begins

RISING UP! Stewardship 2021 info is coming to you by snail-mail and email. Join us to go onward, outward, upward, and forward together by pledging so we can plan the support of our ministries and mission partners in 2021. Rise Up today, feel the grace through your generosity that expands our reach with the Good News of Jesus Christ!

### TOMORROW! Festival of Love

**9:00-11:00 a.m. SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

**Get out of the house and come here!** There is an activity for everyone, and all are outside. Paint, quilt, weed, donate food and t-shirts and pick up kits that let you serve at home. Come gather safely-with masks and socially distanced-

#### **BRING:**

- Non-perishable food for BFA, lots of it!
- Gently used t-shirts (L -XXL) to donate
- Gloves and garden tools for working outside

#### **DO:**

- Quilting Bee
- Paint and Clean in Outdoor Areas on Campus.
- Pledge

#### **TAKE:**

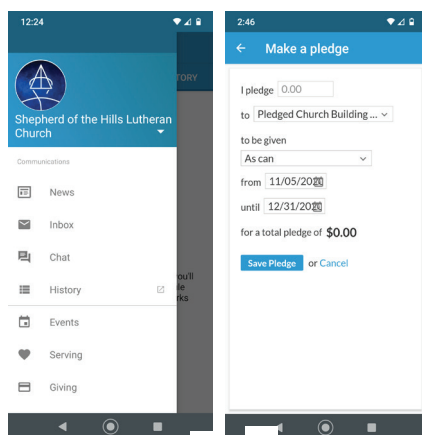
- **Grab an ornament from the Christmas Giving Trees** describing gifts to purchase for Upbring children
- Pick up a free sewing kit to make receiving blankets for Baby Care Kits-everything you need is provided!

## Pledge in Realm!

### WHY USE REALM?

- It is so easy, even Pr. Tom does it!
- Saves processing time. You can indicate if it should go towards your pledge, general giving, or to a special cause right on Realm!
- See the current giving-status for your pledge, additional gifts, etc. (Giving/History)

Go to [onrealm.org/shephills](http://onrealm.org/shephills), click on Community, then Giving!



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# Worship

Romans 12:1-2

***"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect."***

## Generosity Sunday

*Seeking, needing, wanting renewal? It's right here. Every weekend we worship together in-person or online. Every time we meet together in small group, Bible study or youth games. We hope you'll join us this weekend for a special message... "We are Rising Up!," and a video with our mission partners from ILAG, CHARIS, and Mariposa Family Learning Center.*

**5:30 p.m. SATURDAY IN THE COURTYARD\***

**8:15 a.m. SUNDAY IN THE COURTYARD\***

*\*If the weather is bad, Outdoor Services will be moved into the Activity Center. Please bring your own chair, and as always, wear a mask!*

**10:45 a.m. SUNDAY ONLINE**

Tune into [www.shephills.org/watch](http://www.shephills.org/watch) or [Facebook.com/shephills](https://www.facebook.com/shephills)

## Learning Hour on Zoom

**9:30 a.m. ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

The study of Exodus continues!

Questions? Ask *Ruby Cadenhead*, [rubies61@gmail.com](mailto:rubies61@gmail.com)

Zoom Meeting ID: 882 7978 6819 | Passcode 267585

**9:45 A.M. CHILDREN'S CHURCH (PREK-GRADE 4)**

Contact Joel Timmons for Zoom info! [joel@shephills.org](mailto:joel@shephills.org)

**10:00 A.M. CAMP HOPE (PREK-GRADE 4)**

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# Mark Your Calendars

## **NEXT SUNDAY, Annual Meeting**

**9:15 A.M. SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22**

We will meet in the courtyard (or stay in your car and listen on FM100.3) to hear more about the survey results and to vote on proposed council member Walt Gomes and to reelect Tim Stein, Brooke Devaney, Judy Haugen and Debra Ayoub for two year terms. We need you there for a quorum!

## **Thanksgiving Worship**

**12:00 P.M. WED, NOVEMBER 25, in the Courtyard**

**7:00 P.M. WED, NOVEMBER 25, Online**

Come give thanks.

## **The Season of Advent Begins**

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29**

The holy season of ADVENT begins on Nov. 29th! Our Advent theme is "Jesus—in Person" with focus on God coming in flesh through a family and special opportunities for family worship.

**Nov. 29th (no Saturday night service for this week only)** In-person at 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.  
Live Stream

\*Advent Candle Lighting, Children's Church, Scripture Story on Elizabeth, Zachariah and John the Baptist.

### **HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER LIVESTREAM**

Wednesdays, December 2, 9, 16th at 7:15 p.m.

### **SUNDAYS IN ADVENT**

**Dec. 5/6** In-person Saturday at 5:30pm & Sunday at 8:15am  
Sunday Live Stream at 10:45 a.m.

**Dec. 12/13** In-person Saturday at 5:30pm & Sunday at 8:15am  
Sunday Live Stream at 10:45 a.m.

**Dec. 19/20** In-person Saturday at 5:30pm & Sunday at 8:15am  
Sunday Live Stream at 10:45 a.m.

**"The Longest Night"** special worship for the grieving and struggling with the season, on Monday, Dec. 21st at 7:15 p.m.

## **Hear the Good News!**

Find it here! As believers in Christ, we spread the Good News of the Gospel every chance we get. Here is what we are doing:

### **Christmas Giving Trees in the Courtyard**

#### **WE NEED YOU!**

We have 65 UpBring children that still need gifts! Please, please, please come get an ornament listing gifts to purchase on Saturday from 9-11am.

### **Bread for All**

#### **9:00-11:00 A.M. SATURDAYS**

Last week you donated 499 pounds of food for this impactful ministry. Come to The Festival of Love this Saturday with your donations of non-perishable food, and let's break every record!

### **Quilts and Baby Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief**

**100 Baby Kits and 90 Quilts** were delivered to the In-gathering for Lutheran World Relief at St John's Lutheran church in Marion, TX this past Saturday.

Thank you to Mark and Kathy Gerhardt for helping to pack the quilts and to Dale Peterson and Sandy and Milt Nielsen for helping to deliver these items!

Let's keep it going! The Quilting Ministry is in need for gently used sheets (any size) as we again begin working on quilts for LWR. Contact Sandy, sandynielsen6973@gmail.com or drop off at the front office!

# This Week

## **Festival Of Love**

**9:00 A.M. SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

Come to the Courtyard for a day of serving. An activity for everyone.

## **Mid-Week Manna @ Noon**

**12:00 PM WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11**

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## **Faith Conversations, Faith @ Work**

**7:00 PM WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11**

Faith@Work concludes with an interview between Pr. Tom and Pr. Lauaren about her first year on the job!  
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## **High School Youth Group**

**7:00 PM WEDNESDAYS in the Courtyard**

**Grades 9-12** Questions? Ask Joel, [joel@shephills.org](mailto:joel@shephills.org)

## **Communion in the Courtyard**

**12:15 p.m. THURSDAY**

## **NextGen @ Nite**

**7:00 PM THURSDAYS on Zoom**

**Grades 5-8** Contact Joel Timmons for Zoom info!

## **Annual Meeting**

**9:15 AM SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22**

In the Courtyard. Info above.

# Prayers

Please pray for Dawn Paulson, Bob Moore and Julie Shank

Please pray for Karl Gass, nephew of Megan and Keith Hansen

Please pray for Steve Johnson, son of Sylvia and Curtis Johnson

Please pray for Linda Squires, sister of Laura Hills

Please pray for friends of Shepherd members: Ellsworth and Mildred Tonn and Byron and Kay Bradfute

We pray for all those affected by the coronavirus, for all those who have had family or friends die, for all those in the medical field caring for the sick and the researchers developing a vaccine. We pray for a cure for the sake of our country and the world.

Please pray for Rev. Karen Castillo in Guatemala; Iglesia Luterana Augustina Virgen del Rosario, Aurora 8 de Octubre, Guatemala; Malcolm and Joy Henderson and the ministry of CHARIS in Haiti, Mariposa Family Learning Center, and Bread For All

Please pray for our faith community, that we may be a church without walls and live out loud...faithfully!

\*Prayers for family members are listed for 2 weeks, unless we are notified otherwise.

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