



WE BELIEVE IN COMMUNITY

WE BELIEVE that God created the whole world to be interconnected in community.

we believe that life is best lived with each other and not by ourselves. This is why we worship, learn, and gather in faith. This is why we lean on Jesus and on each other, discovering our meaning and our purpose together.

WE BELIEVE a thriving community includes all political perspectives, all gender identities, all racial backgrounds, all religious experiences, and on and on, because all are beloved by God.

GATHERING IN NEW WAYS

GATHER US IN is a ministry for newcomers, encouraging conversation for those who want to learn about our community. This year we welcomed 33 new members!

KID'S CHOIR makes a joyful noise as part of our Sunday's Cool faith formation for kids! Our children love sharing God's love in worship through song.

NEXTGEN PARENTS meet while their kids gather for youth group fun, fostering connections during a time of rapid, unexpected changes in the lives of their preteens and teens.



OVERFLOWING GENEROSITY

You gave in abundance, reflecting God's love inside and outside our community!



Local Mission Support
Global Mission Support
TOTAL

128,960 62,758 **191,718**

Tea for Tots was held in July and raised over \$5,000 in two hours for Baby Care Kits, a ministry of Lutheran World Relief.

Visit ShepHills.org /Connect for more information and ways to volunteer.

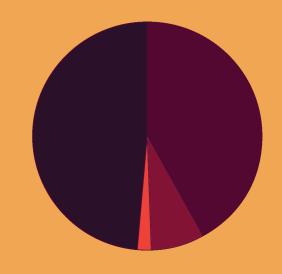
CARE MINISTRIES

OUR CARE TEAMS embody the compassionate love of God, creating time and space for love and connection.

OVER 20 PEOPLE actively take part in caring for members of our community as Stephen Ministers, Care Team, and the Prayer Team.

GRIEF SUPPORT + CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUPSwere formed this year creating a space for people to share and learn from others facing the same challenges.

Visit ShepHills.org /Ministry to learn more.



■ **\$700,000** Principal payment in Jun '23

■ **\$126,500** Principal payments thru Dec '23

\$35,000 Principal payment in Jan '24

\$805,000 Remaining debt

PAYING DOWN THE DEBT

ABOVE + BEYOND Thanks to your amazing response to the Above & Beyond Campaign, and ongoing pledges to the Beyond Capital Fund Appeal, we are paying down the debt incurred by recent campus renovation projects.

Learn more at ShepHills.org/Beyond

2024!

WE are community because GOD is community! The Father, Son, & Holy Spirit exists in community and has created us to reflect that image. The community of Shepherd of the Hills lives out what it means to be the community of Christ!

IN 2024, we commit to ministry in and through the love of Jesus, who builds our community in every interaction we share. Through Christ, we "grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free!"*



Thanks be to God!

Pr. Lauren Pr. Lauren

WITHIN OUR WALLS

THANKS BE TO GOD! AND WE WILL:

ENGAGE in more opportunities to learn and study Scripture, reflecting on our faith in Christ as the lens through which we interact with the world.

BUILD on our excellent faith formation foundations for children, youth, and families, strengthening these ministries with creativity and nurturing this important phase of life.

BRING faith home in ways that connect what happens on Sunday morning to every day!

BEYOND OUR WALLS

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RESPOND to the needs of our neighbors experiencing hunger, homelessness, and the effects of poverty through local ministries such as Austin City Lutherans and Meals on Wheels.

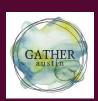
REACH OUT to Central Texas, the US, and the world through our support of Upbring, Lutheran World Relief, ELCA World Hunger, Global Refuge (formerly LIRS), CHARIS in Haiti, and ILAG in Guatemala.

INCREASE OUR SUPPORT of ministries that seek to meet people where they are, just as Jesus did. Ministries like:



TECHNICOLOR MINISTRIES.

which creates a space of inclusion, love, and safe exploration of faith for LGBTQ+ people and allies



GATHER: AUSTIN, which creates community for young adults to deepen relationships, nurture faith, ask hard questions, and be filled with hope.



CENTRAL TEXAS INTERFAITH, which works to address public issues that affect the well being of families and neighborhoods in our community.

^{*} from the hymn Go, My Children, With My Blessing



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