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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.

## GATMERDNG IN NETV MAYYS

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'sCool 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.


## OVERFLOWNING GENEROSITY

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


> Local Mission Support Global Mission Support TOTAL

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 MONISTRUES

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 GROUPS

were 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.

- $\mathbf{\$ 7 0 0}, 000$ Principal payment in Jun '23
- \$126,500 Principal payments thru Dec '23
- $\mathbf{\$ 3 5 , 0 0 0}$ Principal payment in Jan '24

■ \$805,000 Remaining debt

## PAYING DOWN TME 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. Jauren
Pr. Lauren

## WITIMIN OUR MALLLS

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!

* from the hymn Go, My Children, With My Blessing


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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


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.


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