



# Shepherd of the Hills

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

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May 21, 2023

**We are a Stephen Ministry Church**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*WORSHIP IN SONG

*#455 All Creatures of Our God and King*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

\*CELEBRATION OF FORGIVENESS

*Gloria Patri*

## OFFERTORY

Robert Ostrowski

*#106 Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks*

## \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*Doxology*

## SERMON

Rev. Matt Syrdal

[Romans 8:18-23](#), [Rev 21:1-2](#), [22:1-5](#)

*"Into the Future: The New Creation"*

This is the last Sunday of our Creation sermon series. God's work of creation continues and points to the new creation, a redemption and renewal of all creation, including humanity. This unfolding drama of creation begun in the Old Testament grounds us in the assurance of future in which all of creation is reconciled, once and for all, to God. We are called to be agents of that reconciliation through Christ. As a family of faith, Shepherd is invited to pray, wonder, discern, and imagine ways God is inviting us to be a part of the new story in our own niche here in Lakewood.

## PRAYER

## \*WORSHIP IN SONG

*#442 The Church's One Foundation (vv. 1,4,5)*

## \*BENEDICTION

\*Please stand in body or spirit

## NEW PICTORIAL CHURCH DIRECTORY

Photography for our new pictorial directory starts soon.

This is a professional portrait session. Call Bettinger

Photography at [303-744-8248](tel:303-744-8248) to schedule your

appointment or online at [www.bettingerphoto.com](http://www.bettingerphoto.com). Only

those that are photographed receive a free copy of the printed pictorial directory.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## TODAY

- ◆ **NURSERY CARE** is provided during worship.
- ◆ **KIDS' CONNECTION/SUNDAY SCHOOL** Today will be the final Sunday School session for the 2022-2023 year. We will be discussing the summer schedule and special summer activities. Parents should watch for an email containing a link to a JotForm survey.
- ◆ **SEEDS OF FAITH** We invite you to take a plant home and nurture with sunshine and water. Then bring it back to be shared on Sunday, June 11. Plants are available on the table outside the sanctuary.

## UPCOMING

- ◆ **MASSAGE THERAPY** Tuesday May 23, Sweet Chapel 10am to 5pm. Call licensed massage therapist Brooke Williamson for an appointment at [\(425\) 971-7988](tel:4259717988).
- ◆ **CAREGIVER SUPPORT** Thursday May 25 at either 10:30am or 7:00pm. Both are on Zoom.
- ◆ **PENTECOST** Remember to wear red next Sunday, May 28th.
- ◆ **SUMMER KICK-OFF CONCERT** Friday June 2 at 6:30pm in the SOTH Field. Bring your lawn chairs and picnic baskets to a free bluegrass concert.
- ◆ **LEGACY GIVING WORKSHOP** Sunday June 11 after worship. Guest pastor Joseph Moore will discuss options for impactful legacy giving.

More information about upcoming events can be found on our webpage at <https://www.soth.net/events>

# Remembrance Sunday

We will be observing our annual memorial Sunday service on May 28. It is an opportunity to remember loved ones who died since the end of May 2022. Those to be remembered do not need to be members of Shepherd of the Hills. Loved ones who died in any part of the country, or world even, in the last year may be remembered. Simply submit your name(s) to the Office by May 24.

But why do we have a service of remembering? They are an important part of the grieving process. Services benefit both the living and the dead by providing a healthy, productive and conducive environment for those left behind to grieve.

The ritual of this memorial service provides an opportunity to honor those we have lost and to further healing for the family, the community, and friends. The ritual allows connection with others going through the same feelings of loss while honoring our loved ones with dignity and respect.

If you have lost a friend or relative in the last year, please plan to participate in this meaningful service of honor and remembering.

Submit this form to Arwen by May 24. Alternatively you can submit by email: [reception@soth.net](mailto:reception@soth.net) or call: [303-238-2482](tel:303-238-2482)

My name is \_\_\_\_\_  
(name)

I would like to remember \_\_\_\_\_  
(name)

who was my \_\_\_\_\_  
(relation)

# UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

**SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2023**

*"Into the Future: The New Pentecost"*

Acts 2:1-13

Heather Cameron, preaching

Annual Memorial Service

**SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2023**

*"Won't You Be My Neighbor? Reimagining Church"*

Matthew 28:16-20

Matt Syrdal, preaching

## OFFICE HOURS

**Monday-Thursday, 9am to 1pm**

Pastor Matt Syrdal is off on Thursday

**Matt will be Out of Office May 23-31**

Pastor Heather Cameron is off on Friday

Sandy Safford is in the office Tuesday and Friday

Jill Schroeder-Dorn is off on Monday and Friday

Holly Meiklejohn is off Friday

Arwen Pond is in the office:

Monday-Thursday 9am to 1pm, Friday 8am to 12pm

**The church will be closed May 29 in observance of Memorial Day**

## SESSION UPDATES

### PLAYGROUND PROJECT

Session is looking to invest in our neighborhood by upgrading our playground surfaces and Oak School outdoor space. For more information contact [Andy Bunner](#), Facilities Elder. To donate money to the project visit

<https://onrealm.org/SOTH/give>

To give electronically...

Scan the QR code or text

**SOTHGIVING** to **73256**.



# LEADING IN WORSHIP

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

### ASSISTING WORSHIP

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