

# SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS Presbyterian Church

Your Neighborhood Church

May 4, 2025 9:30am

A Season of Sabbath

## There: Beginning With God



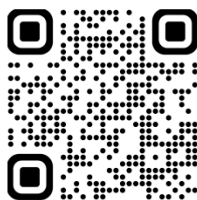
Genesis 1:31-2:3; Exodus 20:8-11

*The mission of Shepherd of the Hills is to join God's work in our neighborhood to share Christ's light and hope and to demonstrate His love and mercy. We follow Christ's example of coming not to be served, but to serve, and in that way, we strive to live out our beliefs.*

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## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

## **\*WORSHIP IN SONG**

*God So Loved  
Your Love is Extravagant*

## **SABBATH PRAYER**

## **OFFERTORY**

*Down to the River to Pray*

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

## **SERMON**

Pastor Heather Cameron

**"There: Beginning With God "**

**Genesis 1:31-2:3**

The theological meaning of Sabbath is rooted in God's rest following the six days of creation. God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it because of all the work God had done in the creation. The fourth commandment tells us we need to remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. This remembering prohibits doing any work on the Sabbath and instead encourages dedicating this day to worship. Sabbath contravenes any pride that may come from our mastery and manipulation of God's creation. In ceasing from labor Israel was reminded of their true status as dependent on the God who cares for and sustains all his creation. The question for us in the 21st century is – does the Sabbath still matter today?

## **COMMUNION**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

## **\*WORSHIP IN SONG**

O Day of Rest and Gladness #393 Glory to God

## **BLESSING**

\*Please stand in body or spirit

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## TODAY

- ♦ **NURSERY CARE** is provided today.
- ♦ **KIDS' CONNECTION/SUNDAY SCHOOL** meets today.
- ♦ **ADULT BIBLE STUDY: RHYTHMS OF SABBATH** meets today after worship in the Community Room. What does Sabbath mean to you? We will be experiencing some practices that may help re-frame your ideas about sabbath and help you connect more deeply to God.

## UPCOMING

- ♦ **GRIEF GROUP** Tuesday May 6 at 3:30pm in the Community Room.
- ♦ **CHOIR AND BELL REHEARSAL** Wednesday May 7. Bells is at 6:15pm and choir is at 7:15pm. New members always welcome.
- ♦ **CAREGIVERS SUPPORT** Thursday May 8 at either 10:30am or 7:00pm. Both are on Zoom.
- ♦ **ELECTRONIC & METAL RECYCLING** Saturday May 10 from 9am—1pm in the parking lot. Accepting most electronic items which plug in or run on batteries and all sizes of metal from bent nails to swing sets.

Flowers this morning are provided by Alvina Mabry in celebration of Don's birthday.



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





## Summer Music Camp



June 23-26 (M-Th), 9am-11:30am.

Kids entering K-5th grade in the Fall are welcome!

Join us for a FREE Summer Music Camp at SOTH full of music, movement, and fun!

More information at

<https://www.soth.net/summer-music-camp>



## SOTH Community Garden

### Garden Tanks Available for 2025

Each container is 3'W x 8'L x 2'D, and there is a \$50.00 fee per container to defray water costs. Registration forms are in the Front Office or [online](#).

## RHYTHMS OF SABBATH ADULT SPIRITUAL FORMATION



Community Room  
April 27 - June 22  
After Worship

# UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

**SUNDAY, MAY 11, 2025**

*"The Joy of Rest"*

Matthew 12:9-12; Mark 2:23-28

Sandy Safford, preaching

**SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025**

*"Variations on a Theme"*

Psalm 150

Rev Bill Davis, preaching

## OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY, 9AM TO 1PM

CLOSED FRIDAYS

Pastor Matt Syrdal is in the office M 8am-5pm, T-W 8am-1pm,  
F 8am-2pm

Pastor Heather Cameron is in the office M-Th 9:30am-3:30pm

Sandy Safford is in the office T, Th 9:30am-3pm

Holly Meiklejohn is in the office M, T, Th 9am-3pm

Arwen Pond is in the office M, T, Th 8:30am to 12:30pm,  
W 8:30 to 1pm and F 8:30am to 12pm

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# LEADING IN WORSHIP

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

### ASSISTING WORSHIP

Jim Vigil	<b>Graphics Technician</b>
Eleanor Helker	<b>Sound Technician</b>
Mark Herman	<b>Video Technician</b>
Carol Svoboda	<b>Liturgist</b>
Marlene Kaiser	<b>Drums</b>
Vince Menard	<b>Guitar</b>
<b>Chancel Choir</b>	

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### MEET THE STAFF

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