SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2020 SHEPHERDok the HILLS

TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN! DIGITAL BULLETIN AND ORDER OF WORSHIP

JESUS





VERSE OF **ENCOURAGEMENT**

How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word.

With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments!

I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes!

Psalm 119:9-12

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Songs of Worship **Prayer Requests** Announcements Message Communion **Closing Worship**

Message Series:

MESSAGE: JESUS IS GREATER THAN OUR INSECURITY

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SPEAKER: Pastor Collin Monger

11 AM Service Worship (Lawn Service)

Led by Behold the Beloved

How Great is Our God Our God Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone) Way Maker (Closing Song)

Song Lyrics on pages 3-4



11:00 AM **Outdoor Contemporary Service**

Upcoming Events

TODAY is Communion Sunday. Pre-sealed communion cups are available in bins near th<mark>e offering</mark> drop-boxes.

Offering Agape drop-boxes are available around the lot during our outdoor service. Please note we will not take a formal offering during services. You can also give electronically here: www.soth.church/giving

Fellowship Cook-out is Today at 12:00 PM.

Join us this afternoon after the service for a fellowship cookout in the front of the church. Stay for live music, hot dogs, fellowship, and more. Water games available for children of all ages!

Children's Sunday School is starting September 13th at 9:30 AM. We need volunteers to lead one of our Sunday School classes, either 1st – 3rd grade or 4th – 6th. Please contact Renee Miller if interested in helping.

Wawa Hoagie Coupon Sales are available for \$4.50 for a Shorti 6-inch hoagie. Proceeds go to the church Roof fund. Pickup an order form at the Welcome Desk

Video Operators Needed We are in need of volunteers for our video projection ministry. If interested, please see Pastor Jon or Pastor Charles.

Sidewalk Prophets Concert Refunds Unfortunately our October concert with Sidewalk Prophets has been canceled. If you purchased tickets at Chronicles Books, refunds will be processed this week. Card payments will be refunded automatically. If you need to be refunded in a different method, please contact the church office.

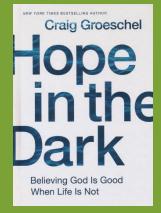


Miss last week's message? <u>Catch up online</u> or through our <u>SOTH</u> <u>Church Mobile app</u>.

HOPE IN THE DARK BELIEVING GOD IS GOOD WHEN LIFE IS NOT BY CRAIG GROESCHEL

"I want to believe, I want to have hope, but . . ." Pastor and bestselling author Craig Groeschel hears these words often and has asked them himself. We want to know God, feel his presence, and trust that he hears our prayers, but in the midst of great pain, we may wonder if he really cares about us. Even when we have both hope and hurt, sometimes it's the hurt that shouts the loudest. Can God be good when life is not?

In Hope in the Dark, Groeschel explores the story of the father who brought his demon-possessed son to Jesus, saying, "I believe! Help my unbelief!" In the man's sincere plea, Jesus heard the tension in the man's battle-scarred heart. He healed not only the boy but the father too, driving out the hopelessness that had overtaken him. He can do the same for us today.



As Groeschel shares his pain surrounding the current health challenges of his daughter, he acknowledges the questions we may ask in our own deepest pain: "Where was God when I was being abused?" "Why was my child born with a disability?" "Why did the cancer come back?" "Why are all my friends married and I'm alone?" He invites us to wrestle with such questions as we ask God to honor our faith and heal our unbelief.

In the middle of your profound pain, you long for authentic words of understanding and hope. You long to know that even in overwhelming reality, you can still believe that God is good. Rediscover a faith in the character, power, and presence of God. Even in the questions. Even now.

Get your copy today at Chronicles Christian Books!

Songs of Worship 11:00 AM Outdoor Service & Live Stream

How Great Is Our God CCLI #4348399 | Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves, and Chris Tomlin

Verse 1

The splendor of the King Clothed in majesty Let all the earth rejoice All the earth rejoice He wraps Himself in light And darkness tries to hide And trembles at His voice And trembles at His voice

Chorus

How great is our God Sing with me How great is our God And all will see how great How great is our God

Verse 2

And age to age He stands And time is in His hands Beginning and the End Beginning and the End The Godhead three in one Father Spirit Son The Lion and the Lamb The Lion and the Lamb

Chorus

Bridge

Name above all names Worthy of all praise My heart will sing How great is our God

Chorus

Our God

CCLI #5677416 | Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman, Jesse Reeves, and Chris Tomlin

Verse 1

Water You turned into wine Opened the eyes of the blind There's no one like You None like You

Verse 2

Into the darkness You shine Out of the ashes we rise There's no one like You None like You

Chorus

Our God is greater Our God is stronger God You are higher than any other Our God is healer Awesome in power our God our God

Verse 2

Chorus

Bridge

And if our God is for us Then who could ever stop us And if our God is with us Then what could stand against And if our God is for us Then who could ever stop us And if our God is with us Then what could stand against (Then) what could stand against

Chorus

Songs of Worship 11:00 AM Outdoor Service & Live Stream

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone) CCLI #4768151 | Edwin Othello Excell, Louie Giglio, John Newton, John P. Rees, and Chris Tomlin

Verse 1

Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me I once was lost but now I'm found Was blind but now I see

Verse 2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed

Chorus

My chains are gone I've been set free My God my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy rains Unending love amazing grace

Verse 3 The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures

Chorus

Verse 4

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow The sun forbear to shine But God who called me here below Will be forever mine Will be forever mine You are forever mine

Chorus

Way Maker CCLI #7115744 | Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu

Chorus 1

You are Way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper Light in the darkness My God, that is who You are

Chorus 2 That is who You are That is who You are That is who You are I know that is who You are

Bridge

Even when I don't see it, You're working Even when I don't feel it, You're working You never stop, You never stop working You never stop, You never stop working

Chorus 1 You are Way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper Light in the darkness My God, that is who You are

Chorus 2 That is who You are That is who You are That is who You are I know that is who You are

SAFETY CORNER

There is no doubt that things have changed in your life due to the COVID 19 pandemic. Here are a few of the changes we have implemented to help maintain health and safety here at Shepherd of the Hills

- **Greeting time-** We will be eliminating the greeting time. We know it is something we have done for a long time, but it does not allow for social distancing and may increase the risk of transmission.
- Offering- In the past we have passed an offering plate from person to person. Because this presents a way in which infection can be spread, we will be moving to free-standing offering boxes placed in each aisle in the sanctuary.
- **Bulletins and Greeters-** We will continue offering printed bulletins and they will be available for pick up in the foyer. Our greeters will be there to greet us with a warm welcome and "hello," and will be happy to point us to the bulletins available for pick up.
- **Building Security-** During the week the church building will only be accessible through the front foyer doors at the Sanctuary. In addition, we will be locking the building each night.

- **Communion-** Communion has be adjusted so there will be no open food which may be contaminated.
- **Snacks-** Similar to communion, we will be limiting open food options and provide individually portioned servings.
- **Children's Ministry-** We are now offering Children's Church during the 11:00 AM morning service. Children's church is available for ages 3-10.
- **Schedule-** Finally, we will be adjusting our service times to include the addition of a third service.

1st Service 8:00-9:00 Worship Service (traditional)

2nd Service 9:30-10:30 Worship Service (contemporary) Adult Sunday School (entire hour)

3rd Service 11:00-12:00 Worship Service (contemporary)

SOTH Church mobile app



Stay connected with Shepherd of the Hills by downloading our Mobile App Today! Our mobile app allows you to get instant updates and events about the church, as well as download and listen to messages, study God's Word, give Online, and more!

For more detailed information on these changes <u>click here</u>

VOLUNTEER CORNER Service Opportunities

The ministry of Shepherd of the Hills has continued even during this unprecedented lockdown. Here's how you can help...

Multimedia Live Stream Team: We're looking for people to join our multimedia team on Sunday mornings. You would be helping with video and audio production, sound mixing, and other tech-related areas of the Sunday service. If you're interested in helping, let us know! Experience not needed and we will provide all the training you need. Email pastor Jon at media@soth.church

Virtual Visitation Team: Relationships are an important part to the Christian faith. Even though we are currently limited in our ability to meet together as a body of believers, we can still stay connected to one another using today's technology. You can help our visitation team by keeping our fellow members informed by making phone calls, using social media, and more. If interested, please contact the church office or email the church staff at <u>info@soth.church</u>.

Journalist: We are looking for someone to serve as a journalist for our church publication, "The Shepherd's Staff." If you enjoy writing, photography, or other print publication work, and would like to serve, please contact the church for more information. Email <u>cmonger@soth.church</u>.

Sunday Morning Teams: As we transition to a 3-service Sunday morning, we will need additional volunteers to help with during each service. This includes our Audio/Visual team, snack team, ushers and greeters, and so forth. If you are interested in serving in any area, please contact the church office, speak with one of the pastors, or email us at <u>info@soth.church</u>.



You can give financial support to our Missions projects through our regular giving envelopes by check or cash. You can also give *Electronically* using our **Online Giving Portal** or through our **Mobile App**.

For \$10 you can send a SOTH Missions **Postcard** at Chronicles Books. You can write an encouraging message to our commitment missionary of the month and we will mail the card for you.

For \$20 you can get our **Postcard & Bracelet** bundle, where you will also receive a custom bracelet with the colors of the national flag our missionary serves, that can serve as a prayer reminder.

September Missions

Said and Habiba are missionaries who have been ministering as witness for Christ in country that is hostile toward Christians and external missionaries. This is especially difficult because missionaries are not accepted into the country but, because of their citizenship, they have the opportunity to share their testimony with people who might not otherwise hear the gospel message. They have a passion to not only share what Christ has done in their lives with others but also disciple them and help them grow in their faith.

"We thank God for supporting and protecting us during all these years and his faithfulness with us. Brothers and Sisters in Christ and partners in ministry I thank God for you and your support to us during all these years and I pray that God will always be with you." Said and Habiba are our Missions Commitment focus for the month of September. Said helps to lead a coalition of home churches in a country that is hostile toward Christians and missionaries.

Said helps to lead a coalition of home churches in his home country while at the same time utilizing technology to help spread the message of Jesus. In the last year over 400 people have come to a profess Jesus as their Lord and savior because of the work of Said and his family. Prayers are always appreciated as this is an especially difficult and dangerous place to be a believer in Christ.

Prayer Requests & Current Needs:

- Funding for a church location
- Pray for new Pastors in the country.

- Many Christian workers have been asked to leave the country for different reasons.
- Women's ministry & strategies to reach women
- Security for family and church members.

SEPTEMBER MISSIONS Vision Project

C "Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."



Shepherd of the Hills Christian Preschool

Proverbs 22:6 says; "Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it." The church recognizes the importance of teaching children from a young age the principles of love and truth found in the Bible.

The mission of Shepherd of the Hills Christian Preschool is to work in partnership with families to foster the development of each child entrusted to our care. Within our nurturing environment, we utilize a developmentally appropriate and motivating curriculum, which contributes to the over-all Christian growth - spiritual, intellectual, social, emotional and physical aspects - of each unique child.

Offering specialized curriculum for children ages 3 and 4, please consider supporting the preschool as we endeavor to offer a quality Christian education to the children of the church and surrounding community.

MEMBERSHIP AT SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS

Nothing about the Christian faith is by accident, it all requires being intentional about your relationship with God. Membership allows us to extend that intentional approach to our church connection. At Shepherd of the Hills being a member is a way of saying "I'm committed to growing in my faith with these brothers and sisters in Christ." Membership also allows the church to commit to you by pledging to help you in any way possible.

Every second Sunday at 12:15 PM we

offer a membership cla for those wishing to join our congregation.



If you would like to attend a

NEW MEMBER

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membership class, please sign up at the welcome desk in the foyer or <u>email Pastor Collin at</u> <u>cmonger@soth.church</u> to be added to the list.

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT



The great commission states clearly the directive of the church, to go into all the world and preach the gospel of Jesus. Everyone is called to fulfill the great commission but there are some who are called leave everything and spread the gospel internationally.



And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation."

Mark 16:15



The missions committee meets monthly to pray for our missionaries, discuss their needs, and to select upcoming vision projects. All the missionaries we support align with our

Our ministries here at Shepherd of the Hills Church allow us to carry out our mission by addressing a specific area of need in our community.



statement of beliefs and have been approved by our church elders. The committee normally meets the third Monday of every month; if you have a heart for missions and are interested in join our missions committee speak with Pastor Charles.







To learn more about a ministry, tap on a logo below.







