

SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS Presbyterian Church

Your Neighborhood Church

February 23, 2025 9:30am

The Ripple Effect

Genesis 45:3-11, 15



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.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

***WORSHIP IN SONG**

*His Glory and My Good
In Christ Alone*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***SONG OF RESPONSE**

In Christ Alone

OFFERTORY

What a Beautiful Name

SERMON

Pastor Matt Syrdal

"The Ripple Effect"

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Joseph's story illustrates the power of grace to transform suffering into blessing. Descending into slavery and rising to leadership, Joseph uses his position to bring healing and renewal to his family and the wider world. Like Joseph, we are called to use our gifts and power for regenerative purposes, fostering community and care for creation. Reimagining church means recognizing our potential to create ripples of change through radical hospitality, belonging, and partnership. In Christ, we find the courage to forgive, to rebuild, and to embody God's justice.

***WORSHIP IN SONG**

God of Grace and God of Glory #420

BENEDICTION

*Please stand in body or spirit

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

- ◆ **NURSERY CARE** is provided today.
- ◆ **KIDS' CONNECTION/SUNDAY SCHOOL** meets today.
- ◆ **A STUDY OF ISAIAH** meets today after worship in the Library.
- ◆ **GIRL SCOUT COOKIES** for sale in the Narthex.
- ◆ **NEW MEMBER LUNCHEON** at 11am in Charter Hall. Come learn what it means to be a member of the church.
- ◆ **PENTECOST COLLABORATORIUM** from 2-4pm in Charter Hall. Shepherd is hosting leaders from other Denver Presbytery churches to discuss collaboration.

UPCOMING

- ◆ **CHOIR AND BELL REHEARSAL** Wednesday February 26 at 6:15pm for Bells and 7:15pm for Choir. New members are welcome anytime. Childcare provided upon request.
- ◆ **CAREGIVERS SUPPORT** Thursday February 27 at either 10:30am or 7:00pm. Both are on Zoom.
- ◆ **GRIEF GROUP** Tuesday March 4 at 3:30pm in the Library.
- ◆ **QUEEN CITY JAZZ AND PANCAKE SUPPER** Tuesday March 4. Pancake Supper starts in Charter Hall at 5:30pm for a freewill offering. Queen City Jazz starts at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary. Tickets available in the Narthex after worship.
- ◆ **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE** March 5 at 7pm in the Sanctuary. Join us for a contemplative worship service with a ceremony of ashes.



HIGHLANDS

SUMMER CAMP 2025

Week 1

June 8-13

- High School Camp
- Middle School Camp
- Intergenerational Camp

\$500

Includes meals and all activities. See Sandy Safford for scholarship information.
FaithFormation@SOTH.net

Week 2

June 22-27

- Intergenerational Camp (full or half week)
- Outdoor Living Skills Camp (7th - 12th Grade)

Week 3

July 6-11

- 4th/5th/6th Grade Camp (With Respite Camp)
- All About The Arts Camp (7th - 12th Grade)

**COME EXPLORE HOW CHRIST AND CREATION
ARE LINKED TOGETHER THROUGH NATURE.**

**HIKING, ARCHERY, CANOEING, ROCK CLIMBING, CHALLENGE
COURSE, ARTS & CRAFTS, SCIENCE, NATURE & DEVOTIONS**

Registration: highlandscamp.org

Questions? info@highlandscamp.org

**Location: Highlands Presbyterian
Camp & Retreat Center in Allenspark, Colorado**

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 2025

"A Dazzling Hope"

Exodus 34:29-35

Matt Syrdal, preaching

ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025

"Having Nothing, Possessing Everything"

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Matt Syrdal, 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 10am-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

GENEROSITY CORNER

IT'S PER CAPITA TIME!

Each year, Presbyterians across the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) make a commitment to support one another through per capita giving. This year, per capita is \$32 per member. To donate visit <https://onrealm.org/SOTH/give> Make sure to pick Per-Capita from the *Fund* dropdown.

LEADING IN WORSHIP

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

ASSISTING WORSHIP

| | |
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| Jim Vigil | Graphics Technician |
| Jason Pond | Sound Technician |
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