

Shepherd of the Hills Ministries

NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER 2025



WOW... Where did the summer go? We just completed our Back to School event. We had over 300 referrals. That is a lot of kids! If you missed the event and wanted to donate, you still can.

*Also, if you happen to see any backpacks on clearance, those are **MOST NEEDED!** **The children just loved the character ones.** Check out our Facebook page or our website for pictures from the event. It was a great day. Again, we could not do this without the help from our volunteers and donors. Thank you!*

October 5th is our annual Hog Roast Fundraiser. In-person dining will be at the auditorium and take-outs will be at the civic center across the street. Serving times are 4 pm until 7pm.

We are serving pulled pork sandwiches, cheesy potatoes, baked beans, salads, delicious desserts (provided by the WELCA groups in our conference) and beverages. Our ladies in the conference churches will be donating their hand-crafted beautiful quilts for auction. Online viewing/bidding will be available on Facebook by September 15! In-person bidding will end at 6:00pm the day of the Hog Roast.

Clothing Center Updates:

Our renovations are complete. We have new lights in the thrift store and 2 new fans. We have some cement that was replaced and the central air. We truly are blessed to have people who support us to keep it safe and comfortable for me and our shoppers!

We will be accepting summer clothing through August. September we will be doing our change over to fall and winter. Please continue to schedule a day to drop your donations off so I can staff accordingly.

If you have any "grandma handkerchiefs" that you are not using, I have a customer who is looking for a bunch for a craft project. Let me know if you have any to donate.

Shepherd Conference News:

Dr. Deborah Tidwell and I will be traveling to Cleveland, Ohio to represent our Synod at the ELCA World Hunger Leaders' Event. This event will be September 18-21. We will share all the great things we learned along with pictures. We are looking forward to this event and are proud to represent NE Iowa Synod.

The **Operating Fund** pays the utilities, insurance on the building, supplies, salaries and Lawn/Snow Care.

The **Crisis Fund** is used to help families with emergency rent or utilities and our sponsored events throughout the year

Please utilize the **MEMO LINE** on your check to specify

Crisis or Operating Fund!

Please indicate what church you are from as well to provide better bookkeeping.

IMPORTANT EVENTS/DATES:

Hog Rost Fundraiser
October 5th, 4pm-7pm
St. Olaf Auditorium
(Take-outs available)

Christmas for Kids
December 17-18
(more information will be made available soon)

*Any event may be subject to change

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