Shepherd of the Hills Ministries NEWSLETTER - APRIL 2025



Our year is not starting out as great as we had hoped. Our furnace quit working and therefore we had to replace and upgraded to a more efficient unit with central air. It is something that was unforeseen and needed to be taken care of immediately. We remained open with no heat for 11 days. Because Shepherd of the Hills operates from donations, we really could use your support to help with this big expense. All donations sent should be noted on the memo line "Furnace repair". We are very blessed to have communities and churches support Shepherd of the Hills, specially NOW!

Clothing Center Updates:

We will be doing a season change over (Winter to Spring) so we will not be taking any winter items past <u>March 28th</u>. Please be patient as this process takes time. Remember that we would love to take all of your donations but there are some items that is impossible to keep. Really worn clothing, stained, holes, non-working zippers/snaps and rusty utensils will not be kept. Appointments are still required so I can staff accordingly. Thank you for thinking of us when it comes to donations. Theses items are needed in our area and bringing it here, they generally stay in the area.

Shepherd Conference News:

Confest will be held at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Monona on April 30th from 5:45-7:45pm. Please RSVP to Pastor Erika by April 23rd. This event is open to all conference churches with confirmation students and chaperones. There will be fun activities, worship and lunch served. All churches are encouraged to attend along with Pastors.

Please remember during this Lenten season to support your church with joining in worship and fellowship. Lenten meals are happening all around us and they do need your support as well. Not to mention the food is great too!

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

The <u>Crisis Fund</u> is used to help families with emergency rent or utilities and our sponsored events throughout the year Please utilize the <u>MEMO LINE</u> 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:

Confest- April 30. 2025

Ascension Day Service- May 29th, 2025

NE Iowa Synod Assembly June 6-7, 2025

*Any event may be subject to change

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