



MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, January 16, 2018

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PASTOR DAVE FISHER IS ON CALL FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND URGENT ISSUES THIS COMING SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, AT 303-941-0668.

THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE

This coming Sunday, January 21 we will finish reading chapter three in the gospel of Luke. Jesus' human genealogy is listed in Luke 3:23-38. While it may seem dull at first glance, many are interested these days in ancestry and genealogy. What insights on this can we learn from this passage of scripture? Come find out as Fellowship Time starts at 9:00 am in the gym at Pine Lane Elementary North (6485 E Ponderosa Drive, Parker, CO 80138). Worship is from 9:30 to 10:30 am. Sunday School for all classes is at 11:00 am.

THIS SUNDAY'S CLASSES AT SPIRIT OF HOPE

Kid's meet with Andrea Hoyt and Victoria Fisher for a lesson on the gospel of John.

Youth meet with Pastor Dave for a class on the gospel of Luke.

Wendy West facilitates a discussion for women on the gospel of Luke.

Brad Hoyt will lead a General Adult discussion on matters of faith.

YOUTH NEWS!

Upcoming Youth Events

Sunday, January 28, Youth Group from 12-2 pm.

Sunday, February 11, Youth Group from 12-2 pm.

Sunday, February 25, Youth Group from 12-2 pm.

AFTER WORSHIP PRAYER TEAM FORMING

This January, Spirit of Hope will be forming a prayer team to offer special prayers for those who desire after the worship service. If you think you may be called to this special ministry, please talk to Pastor Dave. The team will be forming this month with the hope of beginning this ministry in February.

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT 2017 GIVING

It is almost time for End of the Year Financial Statements to go out. If you have changed your email address or moved please make sure that our financial secretary Renee Nefe reneenefe@yahoo.com has your current information so that she can send you your statement. All statements are sent via email unless you do not have an email account.

MISSION FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR SHORT TERM MISSION TRIPS

The Mission Fund at Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church exists to help support short term mission trips for youth and adults in the congregation. The fund offsets costs of youth mission trips in order to make mission opportunities more available to families. For adults, the fund is meant to help those who believe they are called to participate in a short-term mission trip, but may not have all the funds available for that trip to happen. Overseen by the Mission Team on a case by case basis, the mission fund can provide up to 1/3 of the cost of an individual's short-term mission trip costs. Many mission organizations such as our partners at EEMN take applications for the coming year's trips now. Please contact the members of the Mission Team (Pastor Dave, Intern Wendy, Tim Lehnerz, or Chuck West) if you are interested in applying.

A THANK YOU FROM CHERRI LUSK

By Pastor Dave

Cherri Lusk thanks everyone for their prayers during her recent hospitalization. They definitely were felt and helped. Cherri is now at Porter/Kindred undergoing rehab therapy to regain her strength.

BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE

Construction at the church site has picked up with the new year. The delay caused by the stop order from the fire department in November caused sub-contractors to shift their workers to other projects so it

took much of December to get their schedules adjusted back to our project. All doors and windows have been installed so that the building is now sealed against the elements. HVAC work is nearly complete. Outside painting of the siding finished last week. An issue arose during the last week of the year with the fire department regarding backup pumping capabilities for our fire suppression system. That issue was resolved in the last two weeks and final approval of the system should come from South Metro Fire and Rescue by the end of the month. Once received, the installation of interior piping for the system as well as ordering the pump for the system will begin.

An Easter date for the completion of the project will now not be met. A new firmer completion date is being requested from our general contractor, Skarco, and should come by next week.

Again, thank you for your continued prayers (and patience) as we move forward to complete the building project this year.

OFFICIAL MEETING NOTICE!

In accordance with Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church By Law B3.01 the church board calls for the annual meeting of the congregation to be held on Sunday, January 28, 2018, at 10:45 am at the current meeting facility of Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church (Pine Lane Elementary North, 6475 Ponderosa Drive, Parker, CO 80138). The purpose of this meeting will be to officially receive an annual report on the mission, ministries and activities of Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church for the year 2017 and approve or deny the proposed general fund budget for 2018. An annual report including the proposed 2018 general fund budget will be sent to the congregation at least one week prior to the date of the annual meeting.

Prayer Requests - If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain please contact Pastor Dave at 303-941-0668 or pastordave@spiritofhopelcmc.org

Jesus said; "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."

Please include the following people in your prayers:

For DeDe Elliott's friend in Estonia, Kerli, who is recovering from surgery performed last Friday

For continued healing for Cherri Lusk who is now undergoing rehab therapy to regain her strength

For our Christian brothers and sisters all over the world who suffer persecution to be comforted and strengthened and for the Lord God to defeat the evil of terrorism done to them

For our church as we seek God's guidance and providence as we continue the building project

For Spirit of Hope mission partners: Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ, Southeast Community Outreach, Mean Street Ministries, Apache Youth Ministries, East European Mission Network, Missionary Carrie, Tartu Academy of Theology

For Spirit of Hope mission allies: Marion Medical Missions, Bethesda Lutheran Ministries, Compassion International, the Institute of Lutheran Theology

For missionaries around the world as they seek to proclaim the gospel

All of our military fighting for our freedoms

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES (Members and Friends)

January Birthdays

1/4 Andrew West
1/4 Renee Nefe
1/5 Alan Shobe
1/7 Thane Larson
1/8 Tim Lehnerz
1/10 Kasja Larson
1/17 Sara Gutknecht
1/21 Bea Zwegardt
1/25 Gregory West
1/30 Delories Admundson

QUICK SPIRIT OF HOPE FINANCIAL UPDATE

January income (to date) = **\$16,830***

January expenses (to date) = **\$4,084**

Checking = **\$31,765**

Money Market (Reserves) = **\$22,213**

Building Fund = **\$486,046**

***December 31, 2017 offering deposited January 3, 2018 and includes \$10,000**

Building Fund Contribution