



## MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, October 31, 2017

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**PASTORAL INTERN WENDY POCH IS ON CALL FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND URGENT ISSUES FOR THIS COMING SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, AT 303-514-5266.**

### **THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE – ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**

This coming Sunday is All Saints Sunday at Spirit of Hope, the Sunday when we remember the saints throughout history and those who have departed from our lives in the last year. We will also return to our reading from the Gospel of Luke. In Luke 5:12-16. Jesus heals a man with leprosy and His notoriety continues to spread. Lessons on healing and how we treat others are contained in this gospel lesson. Come and find out more this Sunday.

Meeting in the gym at Pine Lane Elementary North, Fellowship Time is from 9:00 to 9:30 am. Worship is from 9:30 to 10:30 am. Sunday School for all ages is from 11:00 am to noon.

**DO NOT FORGET – WE RETURN TO STANDARD TIME THIS WEEKEND. TURN YOUR CLOCK BACK ONE HOUR WHEN YOU GO TO BED ON SATURDAY NIGHT!**

### **SPECIAL PRAYER TIME THIS MONTH**

**By Pastor Dave**

During the month of November, we will have some special presentations at the end of worship. In order to facilitate this, we are going to try something new with our prayer time after worship. Instead of having prayer circles as we normally do, there will be index cards in the bulletins each Sunday. Before worship you are invited to write a prayer request on the card. The cards will be collected at the end of the mission moment and given to me. I will include these

requests during the prayers of the church. At the end of November, I along with the church board will evaluate this adjustment to our prayer time.

### **HOPEFUL SPIRITS MISSION CRAFT AND BAKE SALE THIS SUNDAY!**

Everyone of Spirit of Hope is invited to bring baked items or craft items for sale for our next Missions Craft and Bake Sale, Sunday, November 5!!

Items will be for sale before church and between church and Sunday school. It is not too early to think about Christmas shopping or getting baked goods for Thanksgiving celebrations!!

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5**

Kid's class – studying the Gospel of John is taught by Andrea Hoyt and Victoria Fisher meeting in the upstairs art room

High School youth class on the Gospel of Luke will be taught by Intern Wendy this Sunday and meets in the band room behind the stage in the gym

Women's Study facilitated by Wendy West is studying the Gospel of Luke using a resource by Christian author, Max Lucado, meeting in the upstairs resource center

General Adult Study will be led by Pastor Dave and discuss some of the key teachings of our 500-year-old movement within Christianity. This week we cover the priesthood of all believers. We meet in the main gym

### **GIDEONS PRESENTATION COMING NOVEMBER 12**

The Gideons International will do a brief presentation about their ministry at the conclusion of worship on Sunday, November 12. Two representatives of the ministry will be present to speak about the Bible distribution work the Gideons do around the world. At the conclusion of the presentation there will be an offering opportunity as well as a chance to speak with the representatives about becoming a Gideon.

### **YOUTH NEWS!**

*Upcoming Youth Events*

*Special Youth Group Night!*

This Friday our youth group will be having a special Friday Night Pasta Night event at the Pochs from 6 - 8:30 pm. All you can eat pasta

(we will have an assortment of pastas and will have both Italian sauce and cheese sauces) and hang out time where youth can shoot pool, play pin-ball, air-hockey, or just chat with one another. We will also do a Bible study and then will play Headbanz (the game where everyone knows what your new identity is...except for you!) Please RSVP to Intern Wendy by Thursday.

### **Youth Family Event**

Sunday, November 12th, we will be having a special family event. SOH families with youth or young adults of any age are invited to join us for lunch, to pack OCC boxes, share in a devotional time, and play a fun group game (parents too!). We will begin with lunch and packing immediately after Sunday School. We will plan on wrapping up this event around 2:00 pm. Please RSVP to Intern Wendy by Saturday, November 11th.

### **Youth - Mark Your Calendars!**

Youth Group members, please mark your calendars for Friday 12/1 and Saturday 12/2. We are planning our annual December fun and service events. Details will be available soon!

### **FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN - THANK YOU!**

Special thanks go out to all who volunteered this past weekend to pack meals for Feed My Starving Children. In the two sessions that our teams participated in, over 77,000 meals were packed! And, the weekend total, with all of the volunteers that served at the event hosted by Parker United Methodist Church, was enough to feed over 500 children every day for a year. Many hands make light work! To God be the Glory!

### **HOPEFUL SPIRITS Minutes 10/10/17**

The meeting was opened and closed with prayer. Present were Marie Winkelman, Carol Palin, Kandi Parsons, and Sara Gutknecht.

The devotion was given by Sara -- THE BRIDGE TO LIFE - a Navigator Discipleship Tool

### **Old Business:**

--Prayer Quilt -- one on hold

- Blessing Bags -- Sara will apply for Thrivent support; shopping to be done in November and bags to be filled in Dec.
- Church banner -- on hold until we get an idea of available dimensions in the new church.
- Handmade cards -- tabled until January.

### **New Business:**

- Carrie in China -- project ideas coming together, will be assembled in November and given to Wendy for mailing.
- Renee had dropped off Spirit of Hope birds supplies and directions. Birds were made for the craft show and for sending the pattern to Carrie.

Next meeting November 12 at Sara's house.

### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD NEWS**

Once again Spirit of Hope is participating in Operation Christmas Child sending shoe box size packages with basic items and small toys to needy children all over the world along with a gospel message. Free cardboard shoe boxes from OCC will be available now through November 5 you wish to use them. Please visit the OCC website at Samaritan's Purse for an updated list of things to pack and what NOT to pack. The list has changed since last year. Toothpaste and candy, for instance, are no longer allowed. Visit the following link to learn more about what to pack and not to pack:

<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoobox-suggestions/>

If you would just like to donate supplies for boxes you can place them in the blue missions tub that will be near the entrance of the gym through October. Our youth and families will pack them in boxes on November 12 and they will then be transferred to one of the collections centers in the Denver area during national collection week (November 13-17).

### **A MESSAGE FROM YOUR FINANCIAL SECRETARY, RENEE NEFE**

If you have a few minutes between Church Service and Sunday School we would love it if you would consider joining the offering counters. While this job may sound difficult it really isn't. If you can fill out a deposit ticket for your home bank account, you can do the Church's deposit ticket. It is really easy and when we have enough

counters you also have help from two other counters. There are 3 jobs. First is someone to read the checks and stamp them with the cancelling stamp. No math required! Second job is someone to fill in the deposit ticket. Just write down the check number and the check amount...almost no math required here and we use an adding machine or phone calculator for the bit that there is! and Third is to fill in the spreadsheet with the member's name, check number and amount in the column that corresponds to the account. We have an adding machine that takes care of the math for that (I don't do that in my head!) If I made that sound difficult, please come and watch it in action before you decide. Feel free to email any questions to [reneeneffe@yahoo.com](mailto:reneeneffe@yahoo.com) or see me in person. Thanks for considering.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PEW REFURBISHING**

A self-perform item that we as a congregation will need to accomplish before moving into the new church building is the installation of high quality pews and church furnishings that have been generously donated to the congregation. The furnishings were acquired recently from an area Lutheran church and are in very good condition. The pews, which are solid oak, do need some refurbishing to remove some scratches. Building team lead Rodney Pobar tested techniques to best accomplish this. The pews simply need to be cleaned and lightly re-stained. Contact Rodney at 303-815-9877 or Pastor Dave at 303-941-0668 to volunteer to help. Thank you!

**OUR NEXT SESSION IS TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, FROM 8:30 TO 11:00 AM.**

### **SOCIAL MEDIA AS AN EVANGELISM TOOL**

**By Intern Wendy**

Social Media can be a wonderful evangelistic and outreach tool! Members and friends who are on Facebook: Did you know that you can help to get the word out about church happenings with just a click on your computer? Facebook actually provides us with a means in which we can share the gospel and also help Spirit of Hope to grow! There are three easy ways to do this. First, be sure to click "like" on any of the church Facebook posts that you enjoy. Often, your friends will see this and become aware of our congregation. Second, we encourage you to share any posts that you enjoy so that others may see them as well. For example, if you were blessed by the Prayer of the Week, why not share it with others? If there is a special

service or event coming up, simply clicking the "share" button is a super quick and easy way to let people know what is happening. If you wish, you can even add a personal note of invitation as you share (though there is no requirement to do so). Third, you are both welcome and encouraged to invite your friends to like our church page. To do this, simply visit Spirit of Hope's Facebook page. Once there, you should see an option that allows you to invite your friends to like our page. You can click on any of your friends' names that you wish to invite. Should they choose to accept the invitation, they will be able to follow our church happenings first hand. If you would like some help in figuring out how to use Facebook as an evangelistic outreach tool, we would be happy to help! Please feel free to contact Renee Nefe or Intern Wendy with any questions or ideas that you might have regarding social media usage.

## **SPECIAL EVENTS IN NOVEMBER**

**November 5 – All Saints Sunday and Craft Fair/Bake Sale**

**Sponsored by our Hopeful Spirits Ministry all proceeds go to fund mission trips and mission support**

**November 12 – Veteran's Sunday and OCC Packing Party**

**Veterans will be honored at worship and a youth and family OCC Packing Party will be held after Sunday School. Lunch provided!**

**November 19 – Thanksgiving Sunday and EEMN Missions Sunday**

**Pastor David and Angela Breidenbach from East European Mission Network will give a special presentation at the end of our Thanksgiving themed service. Pie fellowship will follow. Please bring some pie to share!**

**Prayer Requests - If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain please contact Pastor Dave at 303-941-0668**

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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 continued healing for James Kallas the father of Cathy Morano's friend in Chicago, Traci. James was rushed into surgery Monday night for vascular and pulmonary issues. Please also pray for peace, hope and comfort for Traci and her mother and James' wife, Sue

For healing for Tracey Ramirez from her recent ankle surgery

For Donna Maxwell to heal from recent knee replacement surgery

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)**

### **November Birthdays**

11/4 Victoria Fisher

11/6 Jackie Dillon

11/14 Courtney Giles

11/16 Bud Blazier

11/22 Tim Reinicke

### **November Anniversaries**

11/13 Paul & Brenda Reinicke

11/27 Bud & Shelly Blazier

11/30 Chuck & Wendy West

## **QUICK SPIRIT OF HOPE FINANCIAL UPDATE**

October income = **\$13,398**

October expenses = **\$11,287**

Checking = **\$34,196**

Money Market (Reserves) = **\$22,208**

Building Fund = **\$453,340**