



## MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, November 19, 2019

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**SENIOR PASTOR DAVE FISHER IS ON CALL FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND URGENT ISSUES THIS COMING SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, AT 303-841-3553.**

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: MON. – THUR., 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

### **THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE – THANKSGIVING SUNDAY**

This coming Sunday, November 24, is the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Spirit of Hope will again feature a Thanksgiving themed service this Sunday. Thanksgiving hymns will be sung and the biblical texts for the service will center on our national, historic day of lifting thanks unto God for all He does for us. The scripture readings will be Deuteronomy 8:1-18, 1Timothy 2:1-6, Luke 17:11-19 and Psalm 145. After worship we will have our Operation Christmas Child “packing party” and set up and decorate the Christmas Tree for the Advent season (see articles below).

Everything starts this Sunday at our church facility at 7060 Ponderosa Drive, Parker, CO 80138. Fellowship officially begins at 9:00 am. Worship begins at 9:30 am.

**INTERGENERATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL IS IN RECESS THIS SUNDAY**

### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD PACKING PARTY THIS SUNDAY**

**THIS SUNDAY, November 24, after worship (Sunday School will be in recess), youth and family members (kids, parents, grandparents, etc.)**

are invited to pack donated items in shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Last year we packed and collected 70 boxes total. Let's see if we can break that record! Lunch will be served. Please RSVP to Pastor Dave so that we make sure to have enough food. If you plan to bring a box you have already bought items for and packed you can bring it to the church during office hours this week or this Sunday. Our mission box in the narthex/lobby will also be open for your donations of items for the box packing party this Sunday as well. We are collecting small toys, school supplies, and clothing items for needy children all over the world who would not receive any gifts for Christmas. The items are placed in shoe box size containers and shipped with a gospel message. To learn more about what items are needed and what items cannot be accepted visit the following link: [https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/pack-a-shoe-box/?utm\\_source=Ggl&utm\\_medium=cpc&utm\\_campaign=m\\_YGOC-B19V&utm\\_content=OCCHowToPackSitelink&qclid=Cj0KCQiA2ITuBRDkARIsAMK9Q7NoRGKjwLT1Z9uu4tbyqbL7Ls\\_eNULJxCbjn4Ecq18jdxWdkiDxUwaAm4mEALw\\_wcB](https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/pack-a-shoe-box/?utm_source=Ggl&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=m_YGOC-B19V&utm_content=OCCHowToPackSitelink&qclid=Cj0KCQiA2ITuBRDkARIsAMK9Q7NoRGKjwLT1Z9uu4tbyqbL7Ls_eNULJxCbjn4Ecq18jdxWdkiDxUwaAm4mEALw_wcB)

Let's bless children around the world and share Jesus with them. Thank you!

### **CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATING – THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

**THIS SUNDAY, November 24, AFTER WORSHIP** the Christmas Tree will be erected in our sanctuary and decorated in preparation for the Advent and Christmas seasons (Advent begins, Sunday, December 1). All are welcome to help with the set-up and decorating. We have a rather large tree so your help is really needed and appreciated. Lunch will be served. Please RSVP to Pastor Dave so that we make sure to have enough food! Thank you!

### **CHOIR IS REHEARSING FOR DECEMBER WORSHIP**

The Spirit of Hope Choir is now rehearsing for the Christmas anthems that will be offered in worship in December. **THE NEXT REHEARSAL IS THIS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, AT 7:30 PM AT CHURCH!** If you would like to join the choir for this seasonal offering please contact our choir director, Brenda Reinicke, at [Brendar4flute@gmail.com](mailto:Brendar4flute@gmail.com).

**UPCOMING SUNDAYS AT SPIRIT OF HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**November 24 – Thanksgiving Sunday, OCC Packing Party, Christmas Tree Decorating**

**December 1 – First Sunday of Advent**

**December 8 – Second Sunday of Advent; Hopeful Spirits Craft/Bake Sale**

**December 15 – Third Sunday of Advent; All Church Advent Potluck 5pm**

### **DECEMBER YOUTH AND FAMILY EVENT**

***Christmas Carols Party - Saturday, December 7th, 5-8pm***

Youth of all ages (and parents and grandparents too) are invited for an evening of fellowship, food, carols and Christmas fun at the church! Dinner will be a pot luck. Please RSVP to Kasja Larson (larsonsc@msn.com) by December 1st.

### **ADDITIONAL SPIRIT OF HOPE EVENTS IN DECEMBER**

**Wednesday Midweek Advent Fellowship and Worship**

**December 4, 11, 18. Fellowship at 6:00 pm; Worship with Holden Evening Prayer at 7:00 pm**

**All Church Advent Potluck – Sunday, December 15, 5 – 8 pm**

**Watch upcoming newsletters for more details**

**Tuesday, December 24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 7 pm**

**Prayer Requests** - If you have a prayer request for the prayer team please contact Pastor Wendy Poch or Pastor Dave Fisher at 303-841-3553 or [wendy.poch@spiritofhopelcmc.org](mailto:wendy.poch@spiritofhopelcmc.org). or [pastordave@spiritofhopelcmc.org](mailto: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:**

Thanksgiving for the Tartu Academy of Theology in Estonia as they prepare to move into their new facility this month and continue fundraise to make loan payments

Traci Kallas who is dealing with chronic health issues

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 Spirit of Hope mission partners: Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ, Southeast Community Outreach, Mean Street Ministry, 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**

**November income (to date) = \$13,252**

**November expenses (to date) = \$7,417**

**Checking = \$17,900**

**Money Market = \$29,197 (Reserves = \$10,416 Dedicated = \$18,781)**

**Building Fund = \$13,570**

**Building Loan Interest Escrow = \$7,605**