



MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, November 7, 2017

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PASTORAL INTERN WENDY POCH IS ON CALL FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND URGENT ISSUES FOR THIS COMING SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, AT 303-514-5266.

PASTOR DAVE WILL BE OUT OF TOWN FROM TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7 THROUGH FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, BUT AVAILABLE VIA E-MAIL AND PHONE.

THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE – VETERAN’S SUNDAY

This coming Sunday, November 12, Spirit of Hope will recognize this week’s holiday of Veteran’s Day (November 11). As is our tradition, those who have or are currently serving in the military will be honored at the beginning of the worship service this Sunday. We will also continue to read through the Gospel of Luke. In Luke 5:17-22, Jesus heals a paralyzed man in a way that shows His divine authority to not only heal, but forgive sins. Lessons on faith and against legalism are contained in this gospel lesson. Come and find out more this Sunday. Meeting in the gym at Pine Lane Elementary North (6485 E Ponderosa Drive, Parker, CO 80138), 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.

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.

GIDEONS PRESENTATION COMING THIS SUNDAY

This Sunday, November 12, at the conclusion of worship, the Gideons International will do a brief presentation about their ministry. 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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

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 Pastor Dave 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 Wayne Schultz as he shares about his most recent mission trip to Africa with Marion Medical Mission meeting in the main gym

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD CONCLUDES THIS SUNDAY!

Operation Christmas Child will wrap up THIS SUNDAY at Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church! Now is the time to prepare your shoe box size packages with basic items and small toys that will be sent to needy children all over the world along with a gospel message. We are also collecting items and shoeboxes for a special packing party to be held after Sunday School this Sunday! **Information on what to pack (and not pack) is available at the following Operation Christmas Child link:**

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

THERE WILL BE A TABLE IN THE GYM THIS SUNDAY TO RECEIVE YOUR DONATION OF BOXES OR SUPPLIES!

After November 12, all boxes will be delivered for distribution overseas.

YOUTH NEWS!

Upcoming Youth Events

Youth Family Fellowship and Service Event - THIS SUNDAY!

This Sunday 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.

St. Nicholas Weekend! 12/2- 12/3

Youth in grades 7 and up are invited to this year's St. Nicholas Weekend - a weekend of service and fun on December 2nd and 3rd! We will be having a service project on Friday evening (details coming soon!) followed by a Christmas carol party and lock-in at the Larson's home. Saturday we will be serving at the Operation Christmas Child Warehouse (participants must be 13 years or older). The event will begin at approximately 4 pm on Friday evening and we will be back in Parker around 3:00 pm on Saturday. We will serve, we will party, and we will have a blast! Detailed information with RSVP deadlines will be posted on our youth group Facebook page soon. Be sure to check back for details! This will be our only youth group event in December so that youth and families may focus on school work, finals, and Christmas preparations. We hope that you can join us!

MEAN STREET MINISTRY CHRISTMAS EVENT!

Christmas on Colfax is an event for poor and homeless families conducted by our mission partners, Mean Street Ministry. It will happen this year on December 9th, 11am - 3pm. The goal is to bless the homeless and low income families in the Denver area with a fun, God-filled afternoon. Participant first will come in, get registered and head off to a fun program. Illusionist Mel LaMar will share the gospel message through magic. Then everyone is treated to a yummy holiday meal. At this time, youth will come down to the parents,

collect information about their children and then shortly return with a wrapped Christmas present for each child. After lunch, kids get to enjoy face painting, a horse drawn carriage ride and possibly more.

Here are a few areas that Mean Street Ministry needs help with:

- * **Cooking items ahead of time**
 - * **15 donated turkeys need to be cooked**
 - * **mashed potatoes need to be made (about 80-100#s of potatoes worth)**
 - * **Posole...about 100 servings**
 - * **approx. 75 pies**
 - * **mac and cheese (for the kids)**
- * **Donations of**
 - * **hot dogs (for the kids)...150ish**
 - * **hot chocolate for 400-500**
 - * **dinner rolls for 500**
 - * **pre-popped popcorn**
- * **Volunteers, volunteers, volunteers...known areas:**
 - * **Set-up...8:30ish**
 - * **Tear down...3-5...we will be having a shelter that night, so need probably 10 plus people**
 - * **Servers (like waiters), dinner hosts, registration, kitchen help, as needed people**

If God is calling you to be involved in any way, large or small way, please contact Tim Lehnerz or Pastor Dave. Anything at all will be dearly appreciated.

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 14 at Sara's house.

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 reneenefe@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!

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 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 all the families of the victims of the shooting at First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs, Texas

For healing for Ben Potthoff who reinjured his knee yesterday

For healing for Bob Clark from gall bladder surgery last night

For continued healing from vascular issues for James Kallas the father of Cathy Morano's friend in Chicago, Traci

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

November income (to date) = **\$3,573**

November expenses (to date) = **\$629**

Checking = **\$37,140**

Money Market (Reserves) = **\$22,209**

Building Fund = **\$453,343**