



MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, November 8, 2016

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HOPEFUL SPIRITS NEWS!

The Next Hopeful Spirits Meeting is TODAY, November 8, at 2:00 pm at the home of Sara Gutknecht!

THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE – VETERAN’S SUNDAY

This coming Sunday, November 13, 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 Acts of the Apostles as the Apostle Paul continues his second missionary journey. This week we will read of two very different responses to the gospel in two different ancient Greek towns. Fellowship Time begins in the Pine Lane Elementary South cafeteria at 9:00 am. Worship follows from 9:30 to 10:30 am. Sunday School for all ages is from 11:00 am to noon.

SUNDAY CLASSES THIS SUNDAY

Here is the lineup of classes for Sunday School this coming Sunday:
Kid’s class – Andrea Hoyt and Victoria Fisher teach the kids about Jesus; His story and His teachings.

Confirmation Class – Pastor Dave concludes his classes on the story of the Bible.

High School youth class on apologetics will be taught by Wendy and Glenn Poch. Timely topics are being covered in this class!

Women’s Study will meet this week in the Teacher’s Lounge for a study of Women of the Bible.

General Adult Study will feature Wayne Schultz giving a presentation on his recently completed fourth mission trip to the African nation of Zambia with Marion Medical Missions.

SPECIAL WORSHIP AND ACTIVITIES COMING ON NOVEMBER 20!

Sunday, November 20, is the Sunday before Thanksgiving. That Sunday will be special as we will feature a Thanksgiving themed service that day. Special Thanksgiving hymns will be sung and the biblical texts will center on our national, historic day of lifting thanks unto God for all He does for us.

Following worship there will be a special “Pie Fellowship!” Bring some pie to share that day. The kids and youth will also pack items into our remaining Operation Christmas Child boxes for delivery the following week (see article below). Since the service will focus on Thanksgiving that day, Sunday, November 20, will replace our usual Thanksgiving Eve service this year.

YOUTH NEWS!

Upcoming Youth Group Events

11/20 Youth Group Night, Poch Home, 6-8 pm

12/9-10 St. Nicholas Weekend (4 pm Friday - Saturday afternoon - exact time TBD)

1/8 Youth Group Night, Poch Home, 6-8 pm

1/22 Youth Group Night, Poch Home, 6-8 pm

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD CONCLUDES THIS MONTH!

Operation Christmas Child will wrap up the next TWO Sundays 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 Sunday School packing party to be held on November 20! **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 SCHOOL CAFETERIA EACH SUNDAY TO RECEIVE YOUR DONATION OF BOXES OR SUPPLIES!

After November 20, all boxes will be delivered for distribution overseas.

NEW UPDATE FROM TIFFANY POCH

November has been going very well so far! It is hard to think that we only have about three weeks left here. This trip is going by so incredibly fast!

For ministry this week I stayed and cleaned at CICRIN for two days, helped at the school for one, went prayer walking a different day, and had a random day off due to the rain. It was a great week!

Working at the school was great. One of the girls on our team took school pictures for all of the kids. We were able to help with that as well as help in the cafeteria and play with the kids.

We prayer walked in Moyogolpa, which is the "big" town on the island. It is so encouraging to see people who recognize us from previous prayer walks and general interactions. It is nice to know that we really are making an impact in people's lives!

The kids are doing well! We have had continued good bonding this week. They are home for the weekend as they have tomorrow off of school due to the elections taking place in Nicaragua today. We have really had fantastic breakthroughs with the kids in the past few weeks!

Please pray for CICRIN in the next few weeks as the end of the year tends to be the hardest time for them financially. Please continue to pray for the kids as they finish up their school year and prepare to go home for a few weeks during the holidays. I cannot say thank you enough for all of your prayers and support! God bless you all!!

CHOIR PREPARING FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

The Spirit of Hope Choir rehearses EACH Thursday at the home of Jackie Dillon (9071 Apache Plume, Apt C, Parker, CO 80134) from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Led by Brenda Reinicke and accompanied by Stacy Fahrion the choir is now rehearsing Christmas music that will be offered in worship in early December. **YOU CAN MAKE A SEASONAL CHRISTMAS COMMITMENT TO SING WITH THE CHOIR IN EARLY DECEMBER!** Please contact Brenda for more information at brendar4flute@gmail.com.

BUILDING PROJECT NEWS

The engineers and architect have been working last week to address the small issues SMFRA had with the last submittal of drawings and are almost finished. The process of initiating installation of permanent power by IREA is still going and hoped to be completed this week. Our general contractor, Skarco Design, is waiting for a compacting test of the interior ground of the church to pass. Once the test is passed, the pouring of the concrete slab will take place; hopefully later this week or early next week. Please continue to pray for progress to continue in our building project.

Prayer Requests - If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain please contact Pastor Dave at 303-941-0668 or dave.fisher51@gmail.com

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:

Prayers for God's will to be done in our nation as votes are cast, collected and counted on today

Prayer of comfort for Lavonne and Delmer Zwegardt as they mourn the passing of Lavonne's brother, Dallas, in Florida last week

Prayers of comfort for Cherri Lusk and her family on the passing of Cherri's father, Paul Soules, last month

Prayers for Tiffany Poch as she continues three months of mission work in Nicaragua

Prayers for renewed healing and strength from cancer for Sue Schultz as she continues this current round of stronger chemotherapy

For healing for Dane Zwegardt as he continues treatment for lung cancer

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, Apache Youth Ministries, East European Mission Network, Tartu Academy of Theology

For special prayers of providence for the Tartu Academy of Theology in Estonia to meet their current funding shortfall

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

All of our military fighting for our freedoms

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

November Birthdays

11/4 Victoria Fisher
11/6 Jackie Dillon
11/8 Betty Zwegardt
11/11 Holly Shobe
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
11/30 Alan & Holly Shobe

QUICK SPIRIT OF HOPE FINANCIAL UPDATE

November income (to date) = **\$8,126**

November expenses (to date) = **\$2,089**

Checking = **\$27,325**

Money Market (Reserves) = **\$22,203**

Building Fund = **\$126,931**