



## MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, February 13, 2018

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**PASTORAL INTERN WENDY POCH IS ON CALL FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND URGENT ISSUES THIS COMING SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, AT 303-514-5266.**

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE HOPEFUL SPIRITS IS TODAY, FEBRUARY 13, FROM 2 TO 4 PM AT THE HOME OF SARA GUTKNECHT (20490 Oakbrook Lane, Parker, CO 80138)**

### **LENT BEGINS TOMORROW – FEBRUARY 14**

The spiritual season of Lent begins tomorrow, Wednesday, February 14 with Ash Wednesday. A solemn Ash Wednesday service will take place at 7:00 pm tomorrow at the Ruth Memorial Chapel on Main Street in Parker at The Schoolhouse (19650 Mainstreet, Parker, CO 80138). **THE TOWN OF PARKER HAS SCHEDULED ROAD CONSTRUCTION THIS WEEK ON MAINSTREET NEAR THE SCHOOLHOUSE AND IS REDIRECTING TRAFFIC. *For those of you coming from the east, the detour takes you south on Pine (the road between PACE and the Schoolhouse) and then right behind the Schoolhouse which is where you will need to go to get to the parking lot for service.***

Tomorrow's service will feature the imposition of ashes on the forehead as well as Holy Communion. Subsequent Wednesday night Lenten soup supper fellowship, worship and Bible study will again take place at a variety of member's homes; a different home each week (see schedule below). The theme for this Lenten season is "Tools from the Catechism." Each Wednesday we will look at a section of Martin Luther's Small Catechisms along with selected scripture verses and see what insights into Christian living they give.

**Feb. 14: The Value of the Catechism – Ruth Memorial Chapel**

**Feb. 21: Commandments – Susan Spancers Home**

**Feb. 28: Creeds – Poch Home**

**Mar. 7: Prayer – Lehnerz Home**

**Mar. 14: Sacraments – Zwegardt Home**

**Mar. 21: Confession and Forgiveness - Giles Home**

### **THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE – 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT**

This coming Sunday, February 18, we continue our reading through the gospel of Luke at Spirit of Hope. Luke 6:27-36 contains Luke's version of Jesus' famous "Golden Rule" (Do to others as you would have them do to you). The challenge of loving enemies and living as the Father would have us live is taken up.

Fellowship starts at 9:00 am in the gym at Pine Lane Elementary North (6485 E Ponderosa Drive, Parker, CO 80138). Worship follows from 9:30 to 10:30 am. Sunday School begins as close to 10:45 am as possible.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS SUNDAY**

In an effort to have enough time for classes, Sunday School will begin as soon as possible after 10:45 am during February.

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

Youth meet with Intern Wendy for a class addressing youth issues.

Wendy West facilitates a discussion for women. The ladies are now in a new Max Lucado study on the book of Romans.

Brad Hoyt will lead a General Adult discussion on Christian understandings of suffering.

Pastor Dave has scheduled a new member orientation (see below).

### **NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION SCHEDULED FOR THIS SUNDAY AND NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18 & 25**

Pastor Dave will conduct identical new member orientations during the education hour (10:45 – 11:45 am) **THIS COMING** Sunday, February 18 and also the following Sunday of February 25. The one-hour orientations are preparatory to becoming a formal new member at Spirit of Hope and cover the history, mission, vision, values and governance of Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church. Please contact Pastor Dave if you believe you are called to formally join Spirit of Hope.

## **YOUTH NEWS!**

### ***Upcoming Youth Events***

**Sunday, February 25, Family/Youth Ice Skating from 12-3 pm.**

**Sunday, March 11, Youth Group from 12-2 pm.**

**Sunday, March 25, Special Palm Sunday Youth Event!**

## **FAMILY SKATING EVENT!**

Families with youth and/or young adults of any age are welcome to come and join us for a special family event on Sunday, February 25th. We will have lunch together at 11:45 am at Pine Lane North and then head up to the Family Sports Ice Arena to go skating from 1-3. Cost is \$5 per person and includes lunch, ice time, and skate rental. Friends (and their families) are welcome to come and join us! Please RSVP to Intern Wendy.

## **DEAD SEA SCROLLS ALL CHURCH EVENT**

An exhibition is coming from March 16 through September 3 at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science on the Dead Sea Scrolls. Discovered in Israel in 1948, the scrolls (some of which are books of the Bible) date back over 2,000 years. Enough people have come forward who are interested in an all church outing to see this once in a lifetime exhibit. We are thinking of going on a Sunday afternoon. Suggested dates will be announced soon. A group of 10 or more people receives a 10% discount off the standard pricing. That is \$16.15 for kids and youth under 18, \$23.35 for adults and \$19.75 for seniors over 65. If you are interested please let Pastor Dave know.

**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 healing for, Opal Skarphol, the mother of our general contractor, Dustin Skarphol, from recent surgery

For Wayne Schultz' family as they mourn the loss of Wayne's brother, Linn,

For DeDe Elliott's friend in Estonia, Kerli, to have healing, strength and comfort in the face of a diagnosis last week that she has a new form of cancer

For continued healing for Cherri Lusk who is 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)**

### **February Birthdays**

2/10 Steve Gutknecht  
2/12 Tom Nefe  
2/13 Beth Potthoff  
2/26 Steve Howland

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

February income (to date) = **\$9,275**

February expenses (to date) = **\$4,323**

Checking = **\$37,632**

Money Market (Reserves) = **\$22,215**

Building Fund = **\$226,049**