



## MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, February 16, 2016

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### **LENT WEDNESDAYS CONTINUE TOMORROW**

The spiritual season of Lent continues tomorrow, February 17<sup>th</sup>. Wednesday night Lenten fellowship, worship and Bible study will take place at a variety of member's homes. Tomorrow's host will be Susan Spancers. Thank you, Susan! Susan lives at 17610 E. Nichols Place, Centennial, CO 80016 (see map below). Susan's house is located almost due north from where we met as a house church for three years and was also the location of last year's Labor Day Sunday picnic. When you come to the end of the street Susan's house is on the right. Please feel free to turn right at the gravel drive at the end of the street and park on the grass in the back of her home. Tomorrow night's fellowship will see the return of soup suppers! Please bring a soup or desert and serving utensils. Beverages, bowls, bread and paper goods will be provided. Fellowship will be from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Following fellowship there will be a time of worship and Bible study. Hymns and songs by request will be sung from the green Lutheran Book of Worship or the blue With One Voice service and songbook. Bible studies for the rest of the Wednesdays of Lent will be on "The Exclusivity of Jesus." Passages that talk about the uniqueness of God's love shown to us exclusively through our Lord and Savior will be studied. Tomorrow night we will look at John 14:5-7 where Jesus says that He is the way, the truth and the life. Concluding with prayer by 8:00 pm we are all invited to help with clean up of the host home.

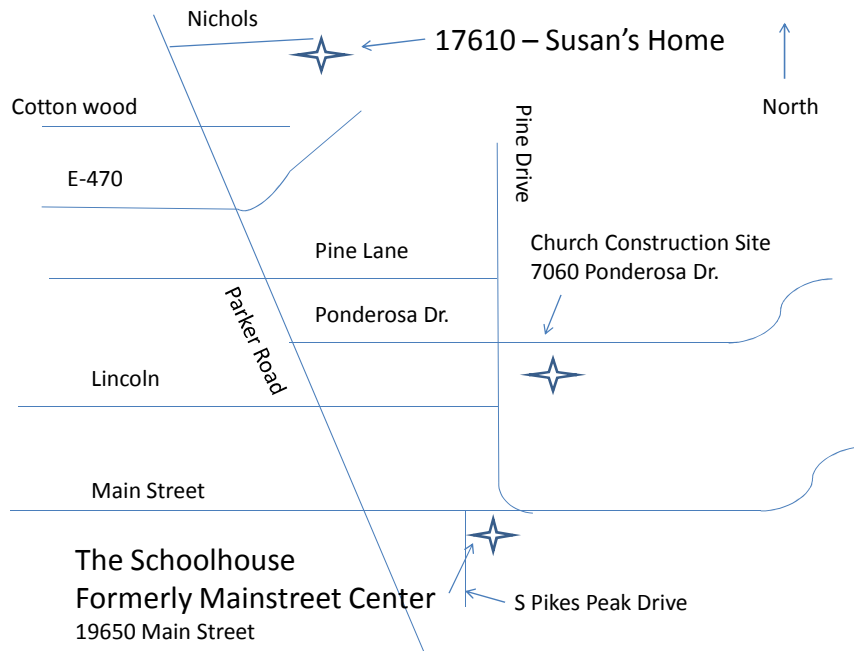
Here is schedule of upcoming homes and Bible verses:

Feb.24: No Other Name - Acts 4:1-12 (Poch home)

Mar. 2: The Narrow Gate - Mat.7:13-14 (Lehnerz home)

Mar. 9: The Shepherd and the Sheep - Jn.10:1-10 (Giles home)

## Mar.16: Who Do You Say that I Am? - Mat.16:13-20 (Zweygardt home)



### THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE – 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT

The second Sunday in the season of Lent is this coming Sunday, February 21. We will continue studying the letter of 1 Corinthians; chapter 10 verses 14-22. The apostle Paul contrasts what happens in Holy Communion with what happens during idol worship. Fellowship begins at 9:00 am and worship is at 9:30 am. Sunday School classes are at 11:00 am.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES THIS SUNDAY

Here is the lineup of Sunday School classes for all ages this coming Sunday. Kids will meet in the gym, confirmation youth will join Pastor Dave in room 003 in the basement, youth are in room 004 in the basement, the women's study on Women of the Bible is in room 200, and the general adult class is in room 204 of the old school house.

## **SPECIAL LENTEN MISSION PROJECT – SECOR PAPER PRODUCTS DRIVE**

This Lenten season Spirit of Hope will offer a special mission project to benefit Southeast Community Outreach (SECOR). As you know we collect tomato products during every five Sunday month of the year. Tomato products are an item that SECOR finds challenging to keep in stock. Another item SECOR finds difficult to stock are paper products; especially paper towels, toilet paper and facial tissue. On the Sundays of Lent this year the blue missions tub will be out to receive your donations of these paper products for SECOR. Thank you for your continued support of our mission partners at SECOR.

## **GREETING CARDS ARE BACK!**

You may have noticed that handmade greeting cards created by members of our congregation have been on a table near the badge board as you entered the worship area on Sundays. The cards are offered for a free will suggested donation and all donations go to support mission trips and mission activities from Spirit of Hope.

## **YOUTH NEWS**

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

2/28 Youth Group Night, Poch Home, 6-8:30 pm, Bible Study Topic: "What Happens After We Die?"

3/5 Prayer Breakfast, Chic-fil-A, 9 am

3/6 Lunch, Movie (RISEN!), and Dessert Discussion, 12 pm

3/20 Youth Group Night, Poch Home, 6-8:30 pm, Bible Study Topic: "Who is Jesus?"

4/3 Youth Group Night, Poch Home, 6-8:30 pm, Bible Study Topic: "What is Jesus' Message?"

4/6 Prayer and Pie Night

4/15-4/17 Feed the Need, Youth Encounter, New Mexico

4/30 Youth Mission Trip Training, Poch Home, 9 am - 12 pm

### ***Youth Mission Trip 2016***

#### ***White Mountain Apache Reservation***

Youth going into grade 7 and up next fall, as well as college students and young adults, are invited to join this year's youth mission team. We will be heading back to the White Mountain Apache Reservation to work with our mission partners, Apache Youth Ministries, June 4th through June 11th. The youth will need several more adult

chaperones who are willing to drive their vehicles and be a part of our team. The church will sponsor all chaperones, so there will not be a charge for a chaperone's trip. If you are interested, please contact Wendy Poch to be placed on a potential chaperone list. Priority will be given to parents with youth attending, but all adults are welcome to add their name to the list. More detailed information has been sent to youth families. If you would like more information, please contact Wendy.

### ***Youth Mission Trip Deposits Due This Sunday!***

Youth families: If your students would like to participate in this year's youth mission trip, please turn in the Commitment Form and deposit by February 21st.

### ***Special Movie Event - "Risen!"***

Youth and parents are invited to join us for a special event on Sunday, March 6th. We will enjoy a pizza lunch at church and then head over to the AMC Arapahoe Crossing to watch Risen. Following the movie we will head over to McDonalds to have dessert and a discussion about the movie. Parents are encouraged, though not required, to attend. \$7 pp. RSVP by Weds, March 2nd.

### ***Feed the Need - Albuquerque, New Mexico***

The youth group will be partnering with Faith Lutheran, LCMC, New Mexico for a weekend of fun and service! We will be on the road by noon on Friday, April 15th and return in time for dinner on April 17th. Youth Encounter is sponsoring the event which includes time spent packing meals for those in need, working in a food pantry/shelter, awesome worship, large group games, and more! The event is totally free!!!! Participants will receive a fundraising packet that will help them to raise money for meal packing. But fundraising is not required, and no amount is too large or too small. There will be many other churches participating in this event, which is open to students in grades 7 and up. Registration will begin next week, but mark your calendars now!

### **BUILDING PROJECT NEWS**

The excavation of holes for the fire suppression water tanks and the removal of the topsoil mound occurred late last week. Some in ground electrical work is still pending before the foundation floor can

be poured. With the resumption of work the county stopped by and ordered that the erosion control be updated from a silt fence to straw and wattle sediment control logs. Those are scheduled to be delivered and installed on Wednesday. Please continue to pray for safety and favorable working conditions for all working at the construction site. Thank you!

## **THE THORN – EASTER PAGENT PRODUCTION RETURNS TO SOUTHEAST CHRISTIAN**

Some of our members at Spirit of Hope have seen the production entitled, The Thorn. It is a presentation of the passion of Jesus in a unique way. Sometimes referred to as "tame Easter play meets Cirque du Soleil and Jackie Chan," the Gospel is clearly presented in both the production itself and in a pastoral presentation near the end of each performance. The production utilizes a national touring cast and crew supplementing that cast and crew with local volunteers. This year the Parker English language showing of The Thorn will take place on Friday, March 11, at 7:30 pm and Saturday, March 12, at 10:00 am and 7:30 pm at Southeast Christian Church. For a limited time there is a promotion offering 20% off the normal ticket price. Visit the link to a promo video <http://thethorn.net/>. The promo code is SAVE20.

**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](mailto:dave.fisher51@gmail.com)**

**PLEASE CONTACT PASTOR DAVE DIRECTLY WITH ANY NEW PRAYER REQUESTS THAT YOU HAVE. THANK YOU!**

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 healing for Will Garret as he continues to deal with a brain tumor. Prayers of thanksgiving for Will and Cindy's daughter, Violet, who has come home from the hospital, joins her sister, Penny, and is gaining weight. Prayers of thanksgiving for the safe delivery of Clara, the daughter of Bethany and Adam, Wayne and Sue Schultz' daughter and son-in-law in Idaho

Prayers of thanksgiving for healing and strength for Sheri Giles' mom in Washington state, Elizabeth Zeh., as she continues follow up chemotherapy after her successful cancer surgery last summer

Prayers for healing for Ben Potthoff, son of Herb and Beth Potthoff. Ben dislocated his right knee and will be having surgery on it late this spring or early summer

Prayer for safety for Steve and Sara Gutknecht's son-in-law, Jon Claassen, who is deployed over the next several months with the U.S. Army

For renewed healing for Mike Maxwell in Grand Junction from cancer

For healing for Paul Soules, Cherri Lusk's father, being treated for cancer

For healing for Lavonne and Delmer Zwegardt's son, Dane, from lung cancer

For continued healing and strength for Sue Schultz from 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 missionaries around the world as they seek to proclaim the gospel

All of our military fighting for our freedoms

For peace, healing and recovery for all the recent victims of terror around the world and that the plans of terrorists will be thwarted and stopped

## **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

### **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) = **\$9,117**

February expenses (to date) = **\$7,541**

Checking = **\$23,730**

Money Market (Reserves) = **\$22,162**

Building Fund = **\$124,177**