



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

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THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE

This coming Sunday, February 12, Spirit of Hope will continue reading about the third missionary journey of the apostle Paul during worship. Paul and his companions make their way through Macedonia and Greece before returning to Asia Minor. At the site of ancient Troy, Paul has to do an emergency miracle after preaching a bit too long one night. You can preview the verses that will be covered by reading Acts 20:1-12. Fellowship begins at 9:00 am and the worship service begins between 9:30-9:40 am. Sunday School classes for all ages are at 11:00 am.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES THIS SUNDAY

Kid's meet with Andrea Hoyt and Victoria Fisher for a lesson about Jesus; His life and teachings.

Confirmation students meet with Pastor Dave for a class on the Apostles' Creed.

Youth meet with Wendy and Glenn Poch for a class on apologetics.

Wendy West facilitates a discussion for women from their text, Women of the Bible.

Tim Lehnerz will lead the General Adult study as the class continues a new series by Pastor Chip Ingram, "Why I Believe: Finding Answers to Life's Most Difficult Questions." The video/discussion based curriculum seeks to help understand and articulate why we, as Christians, believe in God, the Bible, Creation, the Resurrection and related topics.

FAMILY BOWLING/LASER TAG EVENT – THIS SUNDAY

Please join us THIS COMING SUNDAY, February 12, from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at Boondocks Parker, 18706 Cottonwood Drive. Elementary through college-aged youth and their families are invited to participate. With admission, each person will receive unlimited bowling (shoes included), laser tag, and a \$10 arcade voucher. Food/drinks may be purchased on your own if you wish. Cost to participate is \$10 per person (normally \$16.95!). Please contact Sheri Giles at dpskgiles@comcast.net or 303-841-7093 for more information and to RSVP. Hope to see you there!

SOH MEMBER DIRECTORY UPDATE

By Renee Nefe

Plans to print an updated church directory were put on hold a few months back, but are now back on track. Before we get the pages printed, I wanted to make sure that everything that I have is up to date and that there aren't any new additions that I need to add. If there are changes to be made to your family's page, please email me at reneenefe@yahoo.com...if you aren't sure I can send you a copy of your page.

BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE

As reported at January's annual meeting the building project has finally received the necessary permitting to move forward, and the concrete floor has been poured and framing will begin soon. However, due to the year-long delay in getting approval for the redesigned fire suppression system from South Metro Fire and Rescue, the over-all cost of the project has increased from last year's now expired contract with Skarco Design. This is a result of inflation in the construction industry over the past year, shifting of some self-perform items in the previous contract to Skarco Design and unanticipated costs associated with the permitting. These increases will require additional member loans and/or contributions. In order for the church to meet payments on a higher loan amount without jeopardizing our ministry budget, current member loan holders were asked if they could accept a longer term on their loans (12 years rather than 9) and a lower percentage of the general fund budget to be used to make loan repayments (no less than 20% rather than no less than 30%); current loan holders have said they can accept this readjustment.

President Wayne Schultz and Pastor Dave met with our contractor, Skarco Design, last week to discuss the new revised contract. The church board will meet on February 7 (tonight) to pray, discuss and consider the best options for moving forward, and draft a funding recommendation to be presented to the congregation for approval at a special meeting in the near future. Thank you for your continued prayers on this project.

CROSSWAYS CONTINUES THIS WEDNESDAY!

The two-year Crossways Course continues on Wednesday nights, 7-8:30 pm. The class meets at the Bridgeside Building, 11031 So Pikes Peak Dr. lower level, Suite G105. If you have any questions or need help finding our meeting location contact Wendy Poch at 303-514-5266.

YOUTH NEWS!

Youth Mission Trip Registration Due This Sunday!

Registration for this summer's youth mission trip is due this Sunday! Details have been sent to all youth families. Please contact Wendy Poch if you have any questions or to confirm your spot on the trip!

Upcoming Youth Events

2/12 Youth Group Family Fellowship Event, Boondocks, 2-5 pm

2/26 Youth Group Night, Poch Home, 6-8 pm

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SPECIAL ALL CHURCH FELLOWSHIP EVENT FEBRUARY 19!

On Sunday, February 19, 2017, Spirit of Hope will gather for an all church fellowship event – chili potluck and game event! The event will take place at the home of Susan Spencers (17160 East Nichols Place). Susan has hosted previous events such as the Labor Day Picnic. Thank you, Susan, for hosting this event! Everyone is invited to bring their favorite chili recipe or a dessert! Bread, crackers, and beverages will be provided. The game of the day is bunko! Come and have some fun with your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ!

Prayer Requests - If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain please contact Pastor Dave at 303-941-0668 or 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:

Prayers for continued 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 missionaries around the world as they seek to proclaim the gospel

All of our military fighting for our freedoms

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

January income = **\$11,788**

January expenses = **\$11,732**

February income (to date) = **\$4,920**

February expenses (to date) = **\$1,776**

Checking = **\$28,703**

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

Building Fund = **\$93,129**