



## MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, March 17, 2020

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**ASSOCIATE PASTOR WENDY POCH IS ON CALL FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND URGENT ISSUES THIS COMING SATURDAY, MARCH 21, AT 303-841-3553.**

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS ARE SUSPENDED FOR THIS WEEK:  
MARCH 16-19**

### **TOMORROW'S LENTEN WORSHIP TO BE ONLINE**

With the unusual circumstances that we are in, our next Wednesday night Lenten soup supper fellowship is canceled. However, as we did on Sunday, tomorrow's Lenten worship service will be at home and online. We will revisit next week what the plans will be as health developments unfold. So, have some soup at home tomorrow if you wish and take advantage of the worship guide and online homily. The homily tomorrow night will be the next topic in our series, "The Body of Christ." Looking at the parts of the body that our Lord used during His earthly ministry, we will reflect upon how we use our bodies, that is, our lives to serve Him. Here are the remaining topics:  
March 18 – The Ears of Christ – to hear our prayers  
March 25 – The Eyes of Christ – to see our needs  
April 1 – The Heart of Christ – beating with love

## **THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE – FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

The coming Sunday, March 22, is the fourth Sunday in the season of Lent. We continue reading through the Gospel of Luke for our Sunday messages. This Sunday we will read three short passages of sayings that Jesus gave on the Tuesday of Holy Week while in the temple courts. Each of them touches in some way on the current events that we are experiencing now. The scripture passage is Luke chapter 20 verse 41 to chapter 21 verse 4.

**GIVEN THE RAPIDLY CHANGING DEVELOPMENTS SURROUNDING THE COVID-19 SITUATION, WE WILL NOT MEET AT OUR CHURCH FACILITY FOR WORSHIP THIS COMING SUNDAY. A HOME WORSHIP GUIDE AND A LINK TO SUNDAY'S SERMON WILL BE SENT OUT THIS WEEKEND AS WE DID LAST SUNDAY. PLEASE WATCH EMAIL FOR ANY FURTHER OPTIONS WE MAY PUT IN PLACE SUCH AS LIVE STREAMING.**

## **MESSAGE FROM OUR MISSION PARTNERS AT SECORCares**

Like most organizations, SECORCares has put many procedures and precautions in place surrounding the COVID-19 virus. Maintaining the health and safety of our guests, volunteers, and staff is of the utmost importance to us. Effective Wednesday, March 18th, we will be shifting to a drive through model with our free food market to help minimize person to person contact, and will be closing our building to anyone except our staff, tenants, and volunteers. Our hours will remain the same and our commitment to caring for those faced with food insecurity will not change.

We anticipate the number of people we serve to grow in the weeks ahead and donations are critical! High need items are - rice, beans, oatmeal, sanitizing wipes, spaghetti, and spaghetti sauce. These can be left in the donation bin we will have outside of SECORCares. Financial contributions are extremely helpful as we will need to purchase significant quantities of additional food and can do so at highly discounted rates through our Feeding America partnership. Donations can be made at [www.secorcares.com](http://www.secorcares.com).

This is a sensitive time collectively and we will remain steadfast in our mission to care for others. Should you have any questions, please call us at 720-842-5621 or email us at [info@secorcares.com](mailto:info@secorcares.com). Thank you!

The SECORCares team

### **CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE PASTORS**

If you need to contact the pastors for any reason during this time please use the following:

Senior Pastor Dave Fisher – 303-941-0668 (voice & text)  
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Associate Pastor Wendy Poch – 303-514-5266 (voice & text)  
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### **MARION MEDICAL MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITY**

If you would like to participate in a life changing mission trip to Africa that will save lives and dramatically improve quality of life in hundreds of villages by providing safe drinking water, applications are now available online at [www.mmmwater.org](http://www.mmmwater.org). Volunteers deliver pumps and pipe, help with installation, document information for each well and participate in a dedication ceremony at each village. Trip length is 25 days with dates this year September 11 through October 5 for team one, and October 2 through 26 for team two. Applications must be submitted before April 1 and team selections will be announced by April 15th. Volunteers are responsible for their own transportation, insurance, visas, food, lodging and required immunizations. Total cost is about \$3,000, but don't let that be the reason you don't apply. Mission funds and sponsorship are available to make the cost manageable.

If you feel led to this opportunity Wayne Schultz, Rodney Pobar, Tiffany Poch or Pastor Dave are available to answer any questions you might have about the application process and preparation for the trip.

**Prayer Requests** - If you have a prayer request for the prayer team please contact Pastor Wendy Poch or Pastor Dave Fisher at 303-841-3553 or [wendy.poch@spiritofhopelcmc.org](mailto:wendy.poch@spiritofhopelcmc.org). or [pastordave@spiritofhopelcmc.org](mailto: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:**

For our nation and Parker community as we deal with the COVID-19 coronavirus situation that the virus will be suppressed, that those infected will be healed and that those who have lost loved ones will be comforted

For those in the nation of Malawi who are suffering from the effects of recent continual rains and subsequent flooding

For comfort for Donna Maxwell and family on the passing of her husband, Mike, in Grand Junction, Colorado

For continued recovery for Pastor Dave's mother, Janice Fisher, from muscular/neurological issues in her legs

For Theresa Rader who has a hernia and blood clot condition to be healed

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 Spirit of Hope mission partners: Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ, Southeast Community Outreach, Mean Street Ministry, 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)**

### **March Birthdays**

3/2 Cindy Garrett  
3/8 Margie Flora  
3/9 Susan Spancers  
3/17 Ramie Larson  
3/17 Ben Reinicke  
3/18 Sherry Helmeke Clark  
3/20 Lavonne Zwegardt  
3/24 DeDe Elliott  
3/25 James West  
3/25 Rachel West  
3/30 Cathy Morano

### **March Anniversaries**

3/6 David & Sheri Giles  
3/7 Douglas & Carolyn Kleven  
3/31 John & Kandy Parsons

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

**March income (to date) = \$13,495**

**March expenses (to date) = \$8,537**

**Checking = \$21,271**

**Money Market = \$29,217 (Reserves = \$10,436 Dedicated = \$18,781)**

**Building Loan Interest Escrow = \$23,103**