



MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, March 22, 2016

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HOLY WEEK WORSHIP AT SPIRIT OF HOPE

Maundy Thursday, March 24, 7:00 pm (Schoolhouse Gym)

Passover Seder Service with Holy Communion. This worship service looks at the connections between the Jewish Passover that Jesus and His disciples celebrated on the first Maundy Thursday and Holy Communion which Our Lord gave us that night. Small samples of the food items Jesus and the disciples most likely ate will be a part of the service. Please eat dinner before or after this service as this will not be a full Seder meal. The Spirit of Hope Choir under the direction of Brenda Reinicke will offer a special anthem at the end of this service.

IF YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING AND HAVE NOT YET DONE SO, PLEASE CONTACT PASTOR DAVE AND LET HIM KNOW. THIS WILL ENABLE THOSE PREPARING THE SERVICE TO HAVE ENOUGH FOOD ITEMS READY. THANK YOU!

Good Friday, March 25, 7:00 pm Joint Service with Redeemer Presbyterian at the Core Knowledge School, 11661 Pine Dr, Parker, CO 80138. Once again Spirit of Hope will join with Redeemer Presbyterian to commemorate Our Lord's great sacrifice on the first Good Friday. Spirit of Hope members will join with those of Redeemer to provide the music for the service as well as read some of the biblical texts for the service. Pastor Steven Reese and Pastor Dave will give the message that night from portions of the Passion Account from the gospel of John.

Easter Sunday, March 27, 9:30 am (The Schoolhouse) followed by Fellowship at 10:30 am (see article below).

THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE (The Schoolhouse) THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD (Easter Sunday)

This coming Sunday we celebrate the greatest event in all history: the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead! This is the pivotal event that changes everything for humanity. Because He lives, we too shall live! Our celebration of the resurrection will begin at 9:30 am in the gymnasium of the Schoolhouse (formerly the Mainstreet Center). Special music will be offered to the glory of God by the Spirit of Hope choir under the direction of Brenda Reinicke and Spirit of Hope accompanist, Stacy Fahrion. The text for the message will be 1 Corinthians 15:1-11. If you would like to bring an Easter lily or spring flower arrangement to share that will be most appreciated! Please take your arrangement home to enjoy for the rest of the day! The festival service will be followed by a time of fellowship and an egg hunt for the children. Please bring cookies, breads, pastries or some other item to share. Beverage will be provided. There will be no Sunday School this Sunday. Sunday education will resume on April 3.

SPECIAL LENTEN MISSION PROJECT CONCLUDES THIS SUNDAY

This Lenten season Spirit of Hope has offered 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. The blue missions tub will be out this Sunday to receive your donations of these paper products for SECOR. Thank you for your continued support of our mission partners at SECOR.

YOUTH NEWS

Upcoming Youth Group Events

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

4/6 Prayer and Pie Night, 7-8:15 pm, Village Inn

4/17 Youth Group Night, Poch Home, 6-8:30 pm, Bible Study Topic: "What is Jesus' Message?"

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

2016 Youth Mission Team Announced

The following youth and adult leaders have answered the call to participate in Spirit of Hope's 5th annual youth mission trip. This year the youth team will be returning to the White Mountain Apache Reservation and will work with our mission partners Apache Youth Ministries. Please keep the team members in your prayers as they begin preparations for this year's trip, which takes place June 4th - June 11th. We have started a wait list for the trip. If you are interested in serving on the team, please contact Wendy Poch.

Elena Diederich

Sarah Diederich

Amanda Page

Dylan Poch

Delaney Ragan

Ben Reinicke

Tim Reinicke

James West

Rachel West

Gregory West

Young Adult Assistant Leaders: Tiffany Poch and Sarah West

Adult Leaders: Tim Lehnerz, Glenn Poch, Wendy Poch

SEMINARIAN SUPPORT

By Pastor Dave

Spirit of Hope member Wendy Poch has applied and been accepted to Beyond the River Academy (BTRA), a cutting edge institution for the training of pastoral candidates for LCMC. Wendy plans to begin the online and remote meeting class study in July. In the meantime she will be preparing and even beginning some of her required field training. **AT THE LAST CHURCH BOARD MEETING, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE CREATION OF A FUND AT SPIRIT OF HOPE TO HELP WITH SOME OF WENDY'S SEMINARY COSTS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE PLEASE PUT "BTRA FUND" IN THE MEMO LINE OF YOUR CHECK OR ON AN ENVELOPE WITH A CASH CONTRIBUTION.** Thank you and please continue to pray and encourage Wendy as she begins this adventure and seeks the Lord's will for this part of her life.

BUILDING PROJECT NEWS

Last week's scheduled delivery of the fire suppression tanks was pushed again by one week to today (3-22-16) due to windy weather that made it too dangerous for the crane company to attempt installation. The delivery has been confirmed and installation should happen today. Pray that today's forecast for another windy day does not hinder the installation.

In the meantime, the septic system was completed last week and has been certified by the health department. Once the tanks are in our general contractor will arrange for the piping from the tanks and a fire hydrant to be installed. The order for recycled asphalt has been released and scheduling for that delivery is still pending. Once delivered it will need to be spread and compressed in the parking lot. This is one of the "self-perform" work items we will need to complete with volunteers to help with the spreading and compacting. Stay tuned as a call for those volunteers will go out once we know when delivery is scheduled.

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

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:

For healing for Cathy Morano's friend in Chicago, Traci, who was involved in a rear end auto collision over the weekend

Thanksgiving for a clean pathology report for Victoria Fisher's sister in San Diego, Evelyn Hall.

For healing and recovery for Jackie Dillon from recent successful eyelid surgery

Prayers for healing for Will Garret as he continues to deal with a brain tumor

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

Thanksgiving 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

March Birthdays

- 3/9 Susan Spancers
- 3/14 Sue Schultz
- 3/17 Ramie Larson
- 3/17 Ben Reinicke
- 3/18 Sherry Helmeke Clark
- 3/20 Lavonne Zwegardt
- 3/25 James West
- 3/25 Rachel West
- 3/30 Cathy Morano

March Anniversaries

- 3/6 Mike & Donna Maxwell
- 3/6 David & Sheri Giles
- 3/7 Douglas & Carolyn Kleven

QUICK SPIRIT OF HOPE FINANCIAL UPDATE

March income (to date) = **\$28,864***

March expenses (to date) = **\$9,306**

Checking = **\$26,953**

Money Market (Reserves) = **\$22,166**

Building Fund = **\$132,968**

***Includes special \$10,000 pledged contribution to the Building Fund**