



MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, April 14, 2020

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SENIOR PASTOR DAVE FISHER IS ON CALL FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND URGENT ISSUES THIS COMING SATURDAY, APRIL 18, AT 303-841-3553.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS ARE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE – SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER!

This coming Sunday we continue the celebration of the Easter season as we continue reading through the gospel of Luke. The resurrection appearance of Jesus to two disciples on the road to Emmaus will be covered in our YouTube recorded worship service for this Sunday. Luke 24:13-35 is the Bible passage. This Sunday will be a “Praise Band Light – Hymn Sing Sunday!” We will have a keyboardist, guitarist and vocalist leading the singing of traditional hymns in a contemporary fashion.

During this extraordinary time, we continue to ask you to remember Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church with your offerings sent to our Financial Secretary, Renee Nefe. Thank you for your support not only financially, but especially through your prayers.

YOUTH/COLLEGE ZOOM SESSION TONIGHT AT 7PM

Families of youth and college-aged students have been sent a link to a Zoom session for Tuesday night at 7 pm. We hope that you will join us so that we can have an opportunity to catch up with one another and also to talk about the possibility of doing Zoom sessions with our friends from Apache Youth Ministries in the future. We will also

discuss the potential for doing Bible studies, games, etc. Hope you can join us!

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST VIA ZOOM THIS WEDNESDAY!

The Men of Spirit of Hope will have a virtual prayer "breakfast" this coming Wednesday, April 15, at 8:00 am. While we don't get to have breakfast cooked for us at a restaurant, we can get that cup of coffee, tea or juice and come together for a time of fellowship and prayer. Pastor Dave will host the Zoom meeting. A link has been sent out to the Spirit of Hope Men whereby they can connect via computer or dial in via telephone. We will fellowship, share prayer requests and pray for one another.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY RETURNS THIS WEEK!

Midweek Adult Bible Study will return this coming Wednesday, April 15, at 7:00 pm via a Zoom meeting. This coming Wednesday we will finish the study of the letter to the Galatians that we were doing prior to Lent. The class could not complete the final chapter of that letter, chapter 6, due to a snow storm cancellation. We will cover that chapter as well as discuss what scripture to study on the Wednesdays that follow. Information on how to join the class that Pastor Dave will host was sent out to the congregation on Monday.

HOPEFUL SPIRITS THIS SATURDAY 2:00-3:30 ONLINE

The Hopeful Spirits women's ministry will be meeting online via Zoom on Saturday, April 18th from 2:00-3:30 pm. All ladies are welcome as this will also include a time of general fellowship so that we can catch up with one another! Sara Gutknecht will lead a short Bible study and we will be brought up to date on ministry happenings. A link will be sent out to all the ladies the day before our meeting.

LADIES COFFEE HOUR: WEDNESDAY April 29th, 10:00 am

All ladies are invited to grab a cup of coffee (or your favorite drink) and join one another for a time of fellowship. We will meet on Zoom and a link will be sent out the day before. Pastor Wendy will lead us in a brief devotional study and then we will spend the rest of the time ministering to and encouraging one another.

SATURDAY STORIES WITH PASTOR WENDY

Pastor Wendy is now doing a special YouTube recording once a week with special stories (with a Biblical/Christian emphasis, of course) for all our little ones (pre-school and early elementary). A link will be sent to the congregation on Saturday morning. You are welcome to watch this video at home with your little ones or share it with your kids and grandkids. We want our little ones to know that they are very special and very important, especially during this time that we cannot meet together physically as a congregation.

CORRECTION TO GIVING TO SPIRIT OF HOPE THROUGH THRIVENT

We have learned from Thrivent Financial that direct online giving to Spirit of Hope is not available for Thrivent members through the Thrivent Choice button on their website. Any giving for offerings through Thrivent will generate a check from them that will be sent to the church address. Therefore, please continue to send offerings via check directly to our Financial Secretary, Renee Nefe, for the time being. We are continuing to work on getting a direct donation button set up on the church's website and thank you for your continued patience.

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)

pastordave@spiritofhopelcmc.org (email)

Associate Pastor Wendy Poch – 303-514-5266 (voice & text)

wendy.poch@spiritofhopelcmc.org (email)

PASTORS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE FOR FACE TO FACE MEETINGS VIA ZOOM, FACETIME, DUO AND SKPYE.

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. 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:

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 Monica Ojeda and the other Compassion International Children sponsored by members of Spirit of Hope who are affected by the fight against the coronavirus world wide

For our mission partners at Apache Youth Ministries as they seek to minister during a lock-down of the White Mountain Apache Nation in Arizona

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 Mission, 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)

April Birthdays

4/3 Tracey Ramirez
4/6 Madden Howland
4/6 Marie Winkelman
4/8 Wendy West
4/11 Douglas Kleven
4/13 Brenda Reinicke
4/15 Chrissy Nefe
4/16 Luke Hoyt
4/17 Julie Case
4/21 Bill Byers

QUICK SPIRIT OF HOPE FINANCIAL UPDATE

April income (to date) = \$10,270

General Fund Offerings = \$9,520

Debt Reduction Offerings = \$650

Dedicated Offerings = \$100

April expenses (to date) = \$1,138

Checking = \$25,374

Money Market = \$23,219 (Reserves = \$10,436 Dedicated = \$12,783)

Building Loan Interest Escrow = \$24,957