



MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, April 24, 2018

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PASTOR DAVE FISHER IS ON CALL FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND URGENT ISSUES THIS COMING SATURDAY, APRIL 28, AT 303-941-0668.

THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE – 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

It is the last Sunday of April and the Fifth Sunday of the Easter season this coming Sunday at Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church! We continue reading in worship through the gospel of Luke. Luke 8:1-15 contains the famous parable of the Seed and the Sower. Jesus describes how the word of God is received by different people. Come and learn how we can be people of the good soil!

Fellowship, worship and education are all happening this Sunday at Pine Lane Elementary North (6485 E Ponderosa Drive, Parker, CO 80138). Fellowship officially begins at 9:00 am. Worship begins at 9:30 am. Sunday School classes begin at 10:45 am.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES THIS SUNDAY

Kid's meet with Andrea Hoyt and Victoria Fisher for a lesson on the gospel of John.

Youth meet with Intern Wendy for a class on the difference between the theology of glory and the theology of the cross.

Wendy West facilitates a discussion for women. The ladies are now in a Max Lucado study on the book of Romans.

The General Adult class will meet with Pastor Dave for a class on current funeral and memorial service practices and what our Christian faith has to say about them.

APRIL MISSION SUPPORT FOR SECOR & MEAN STREET MINISTRIES

April is a five Sunday month this year and as such the blue missions tub is once more out to receive donations supporting our two local mission partners.

Southeast Community Outreach (SECOR): 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.

Mean Street Ministries: Mean Street has an ongoing need for Christian coloring books, small action figure toys for kids, and inexpensive reader glasses that can be purchased at dollar stores so that parents with eyesight issues can read the Bibles they receive. The blue missions tub will be out during the Sundays of April to receive your donations of these items for SECOR and Mean Street Ministries. Thank you for your continued support of our mission partners!

YOUTH NEWS!

Upcoming Youth Events

May 6, Youth Group, 12-2pm: Lunch, Games and More!!!

June 6, Youth Picnic and Hike, Details coming soon!

June 10, High School Graduation Party at the Poch Home!!!

MARION MEDICAL MISSION TEAM ANNOUNCED

Four members from Spirit of Hope have applied and been accepted for mission service by Marion Medical Missions. Wayne Schultz, Tiffany Poch, Rodney Pobar and Pastor Dave will be serving on Team One of the fall 2018 Mission to help install clean water shallow wells in the nations of Malawi, Zambia and Tanzania. The team will be on continent from September 16 to October 7. During the time of the trip Pastoral Intern Wendy Poch will cover for Pastor Dave. Please pray for these team members as they begin preparations and training.

COMING EVENTS AT SPIRIT OF HOPE

APRIL 29 – Special Adult Sunday School Class led by Pastor Dave on funeral/memorial practices

MAY 6 – Hopeful Spirits Spring Craft and Bake Sale (see below)

MAY 13 – Mother's Day: All moms will be honored at the beginning of worship; **LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL**

MAY 20 – PENTECOST AND FOUNDER’S SUNDAY; Special Pentecost Worship to celebrate the birthday of the Christian Church on Pentecost and a Potluck Brunch Reception after worship to celebrate the official founding of Spirit of Hope. First Dead Sea Scrolls Trip!

MAY 27 – MEMORIAL SUNDAY AND TRINITY SUNDAY: Patriotic and Trinity themed hymns will be featured at worship. Also, we will have special guests as a youth drama team from our sister LCMC congregation in Albuquerque, NM, Faith Lutheran, will present dramatic skits in worship

JUNE 10 – Special afternoon youth graduation party at the Poch residence will honor our graduating High School students, Loreena Hoyt, Dylan Poch, Ben Potthoff and Gregory West

SPIRIT OF HOPE SPRING CRAFT/ BAKE SALE EVERYONE COME!! MAY 6, 2018

The Hopeful Spirits are again sponsoring the next Craft/Bake Sale for the congregation. Please bring baked goods and crafts. Items will be available for purchase before and after church. You might find a Mother’s Day gift or goodies for your mom.

All money raised goes to mission funding.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER IS NEXT THURSDAY, MAY 3!

In the 1980s President Ronald Reagan permanently designated the first Thursday in May as the United States’ National Day of Prayer. This year Thursday, May 3, marks the 66th time our country has officially set aside a day of prayer for the nation. This year’s theme is unity and the theme verse is Ephesians 4:3: *“Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.”*

Watch next week’s newsletter for details on any planned observances in Parker. Please take some time on that Thursday to pray for our nation. Pray for our government leaders at all levels. Pray for our police, fire and emergency medical personnel. Pray for our schools, public and private. Pray for our churches and religious institutions. Pray for our families. Learn more at www.nationaldayofprayer.org.

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:

For healing for Cathy Morano's friend's daughter in Kentucky, Kamela Popiwczak, from brain surgery on Monday to repair an aneurysm

For healing for Cathy Morano's friend's father in Chicago, John Kallas, for healing from recent foot surgery

For the Tartu Academy in Estonia as they plan for fundraising to acquire a permanent facility

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 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, Mean Street Ministries, 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)

May Birthdays

5/4 Chuck West

5/5 Wendy Poch

5/8 Nick Lehnerz

5/18 Pastor Dave Fisher

5/21 Kayanna Larson

5/27 Brad Hoyt

5/28 Cherri Lusk

5/29 Andrea Hoyt

May Anniversaries

5/31 Dave & Victoria Fisher

QUICK SPIRIT OF HOPE FINANCIAL UPDATE

April income (to date) = **\$20,748**

April expenses (to date) = **\$7,619**

Checking = **\$41,081**

Money Market (Reserves) = **\$22,219**

Building Fund = **\$223,530**