



SPIRIT OF HOPE
LUTHERAN CHURCH

7060 E. Ponderosa Drive
Parker, CO 80138

MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, April 28, 2020

Questions, comments or to unsubscribe contact Pastor Dave Fisher at 303-841-3553 or pastordave@spiritofhopelcmc.org Also visit us on the web at www.spiritofhopelcmc.org.

SENIOR PASTOR DAVE FISHER IS ON CALL FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND URGENT ISSUES THIS COMING SATURDAY, MAY 2, AT 303-841-3553.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS ARE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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

This coming Sunday is the fourth Sunday of the Easter season! As we continue the celebration of the 50-day long Easter season we begin a new book of the Bible for the basis of our sermons this coming Sunday, May 3! We will start a reading through the letter of 2nd Corinthians. Four years ago, we read through the letter of 1st Corinthians so it's time for the sequel! Further, 2nd Corinthians has much to say that is applicable for the times we know live in. This Sunday we begin with an introduction and discourse on the theme of comfort in 2 Corinthians 1:1-11. Sunday's service will once again be available by Saturday evening via YouTube and will be our first of the month Praise Band worship service.

During this extraordinary time, we thank you for remembering Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church with your offerings sent either to the church address, to our Financial Secretary, Renee Nefe, or using the new donate button on our website. Thank you for your support not only financially, but especially through your prayers.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES NEW STUDY!

Midweek Adult Bible Study continues a new study tomorrow, Wednesday, April 29, at 7:00 pm via a Zoom meeting. We will finish the first chapter of the letter of 1st Peter in the New Testament. This coming Wednesday we will cover 1 Peter 1:3-25. Information on how to join the class that Pastor Dave will host will be sent out to the congregation via a separate email.

LADIES COFFEE HOUR: WEDNESDAY, TOMORROW AT 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 tomorrow, Wednesday, April 29 starting at 10:00 am. We will meet on Zoom and a link has been sent out along with this newsletter. 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.

FREE LIBRARY RESOURCES FROM ILT

The Institute of Lutheran Theology, the seminary that Pastor Wendy attends, has opened up K-12 resources in their library for free from now through August for those who need access while doing school at home. Please contact Pastor Wendy if you would like more information. The collection includes:

Full text for more than 70 popular, magazines for elementary school research.

Full text for more than 140 popular, middle school magazines, 84,774 biographies, 105,786 primary source documents, and a School Image Collection of photos, maps and flags.

Full text for more than 540 popular, high school magazines, 440 full text reference books, 85,670 biographies, 105,786 primary source documents, and an Image Collection of over 502,000 photos, maps & flags.

An elementary, middle, and high school eBook reference collections offering a rich selection of eBook titles covering a broad range of general reference subjects, topics including social studies, history, language arts, geography, culture, math, and science.

High School level full text titles with unlimited access designed specifically to support a quality learning experience for High School students across all academic subjects from History, to Language and Literature, to Science & Technology. AND MUCH MORE!

UPDATE ON WAYS TO GIVE TO SPIRIT OF HOPE

We have successfully installed a donation button on our church's website at www.spiritofhopelcmc.org. It is in the upper left-hand area of the main page of the website. It uses the PayPal platform. If you wish to give or donate to Spirit of Hope using the button, you will be taken to the PayPal site where you can use a credit card or, if you have a PayPal account, you can make your donation through your PayPal account. However, you do not have to have a PayPal account to give. We hope that this may be of help during the stay at home situation. Please be aware, though, that all donations cost the church a processing fee. PayPal takes 2.2% + \$0.30 of each donation.

The church has purchased and installed a new secure mailbox at the church facility. You can mail checks directly to the church address:

**Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church
7060 E. Ponderosa Drive
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You may also still mail them directly to our Financial Secretary, Renee Nefe, at:

**Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church
c/o Renee Nefe
10565 Humboldt Peak Way
Parker, CO 80138**

Please place the letter "O" on the back of your envelope so that we know what the contents are. Thank you, again, so much for all the tithes, offerings and gifts you have sent since the stay at home orders went into effect. Our financial position continues to hold steady because of your generosity.

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, subsequent flooding and now the arrival of the coronavirus

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)

May Birthdays

5/4 Chuck West
5/4 Kevin Haughn
5/4 Crystal Trawny
5/5 Wendy Poch
5/6 Blayze Fittje
5/6 Dakota Fittje
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

5/18 Kevin & Sandra Haughn
5/31 Dave & Victoria Fisher

QUICK SPIRIT OF HOPE FINANCIAL UPDATE

April income (to date) = \$22,021

General Fund Offerings = \$20,255

Debt Reduction Offerings = \$1,150

Dedicated Offerings = \$440

Other Income* = \$176

April expenses (to date) = \$4,527

Checking = \$28,736

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

Building Loan Interest Escrow = \$24,957

***Other Income comes from individuals and organization outside of Spirit of Hope (e.g. Thrivent, other churches, etc.)**