



## MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, April 9, 2019

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**SENIOR PASTOR DAVE FISHER IS ON CALL FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND URGENT ISSUES FOR THIS COMING SATURDAY, APRIL 13, AT 303-941-0668.**

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE HOPEFUL SPIRITS IS TODAY, APRIL 9 FROM 2 TO 4 PM AT THE GUTKNECHT HOME**

### **FINAL LENTEN SOUP SUPPER & BIBLE STUDY IS TOMORROW**

Our last Wednesday night Lenten soup supper fellowship, worship and Bible study is tomorrow, Wednesday April 10. This time we will gather at the Zwegardt residence. The Zwegardts live next to the future church facility at 7150 East Ponderosa Drive, Parker, CO 80138 (see map below). **Please park on the long concrete driveway! There is no need to park in the adjacent field.** Thank you, Delmer and Lavonne!

Soup supper potluck begins at 6:00 pm. Please bring a soup or dessert to share. Bread, crackers, and beverage are provided. The theme for this Lenten season is "Why Did Jesus Have to Die?" Each Wednesday we have looked at a different aspect of the Atonement of Christ and consider what Christ's death for our sins on the cross means for our lives today. The next session will look at the Atonement as an Exchange by God.

# Lenten SOUP Suppers



## **THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE – PALM/PASSION SUNDAY**

Holy Week begins this Sunday, April 14, at Spirit of Hope with Palm and Passion Sunday. Worship begins as we remember Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem on that first Palm Sunday. All worshippers will be given a palm frond for this part of the service. Also, the passion account from Luke will be read as an overview to the events we will remember during Holy Week that culminate on Easter Sunday. The Spirit of Hope Praise Band is back to lead the singing during this special service! Fellowship is 9:00 am at Pine Lane Elementary North (6485 E Ponderosa Drive, Parker, CO 80138) followed by worship at 9:30 am. Sunday School for all ages is at 10:45 am.

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES THIS SUNDAY**

Here is the current schedule of classes, teachers and topics for Sunday School (10:45am – 12:00pm) on April 14:

**Kids Class** – for children 6<sup>th</sup> grade and under will be taught by Tiffany Poch and cover a lesson from the gospel of John. The class meet in the upstairs lobby area (east side).

**Confirmation Class** – will be taught by Pastor Dave and finish the first year of confirmation lessons with a review of Spring topics. This class meets in the upstairs art room.

**High School Class** – will continue a series on the disciples and is taught this Sunday by Pastor Wendy. The class meets in the upstairs lobby area (west side).

**Women's Study** – will be in recess this Sunday.

**General Adult Study** – Brad Hoyt will conclude the class, "A Cumulative Case for the Existence of God." The General Adult Study meets in the band room behind the stage in the gym.

### **HOPEFUL SPIRITS BAKE SALE – THIS SUNDAY!!!**

The Hopeful Spirits are having a Bake Sale THIS COMING SUNDAY, Palm Sunday! Everyone feel free to bring in baked goods! Anyone wanting to stock up on goodies for Easter, please come and shop! All proceeds from this bake sale will go to items needed in the Fellowship/Break Room in the new church.

### **HOLY WEEK SERVICES AT SPIRIT OF HOPE!**

Holy Week begins this Sunday, April 14. **ALL SERVICES ARE SCHEDULED TO BE HELD AT PINE LANE ELEMENTARY NORTH UNTIL A CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY IS RECEIVED FOR THE NEW CHURCH BUILDING.** So, while we still are working very hard to get that C.O. as soon as possible, please plan on coming to Pine Lane North until you hear otherwise. An all church email will go out should we be able to switch any of our services to the new church facility. Thank you for your patience.

The first worship service at Spirit of Hope for Holy Week is our **Palm and Passion Sunday** celebration. We will remember Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem on the first Palm Sunday. All worshippers will be given a palm frond for this part of the service. The passion account from the gospel of Luke will be read as an overview to the events we will remember during Holy Week that culminate on Easter Sunday.

**Maundy Thursday worship will be held at 7:00 pm on April 18. The account of Jesus' Last Supper and the celebration of Holy Communion will highlight this service.**

**On April 19, at 7:00 pm, Good Friday Worship will take place. We will worship using the traditional, Lutheran service of shadows (also known as "Tenebrae"). We will read the account of Jesus' crucifixion from the gospels as well as sing traditional Good Friday and Holy Week hymns.**

**The celebration of The Resurrection of our Lord, Easter Sunday, is April 21 this year! Festival worship will be led by our Spirit of Hope Choir and feature Easter hymns and communion as we celebrate Jesus' victory over death!**

**Plan now to attend all these worship opportunities and draw nearer to God!**

### **FAMILY FUN AND GAMES!**

**Bring the Kids and the Grandkids!**

**Sunday, April 28th**

**Families with kids and grandkids of all ages are invited to an afternoon of food, fun, and family games! Hosted by the Reinicke family, this event will begin immediately following Sunday School and will conclude at 3 pm on April 28th. If we are in the new church facility, the event will be held at the church. If not, we will drive over to the Reinicke home (10633 Clarkeville Way, Parker). Lunch will be provided. Please bring a favorite game to share that your kids or grandkids enjoy. We may not get to all of them, but we will certainly have a lot of fun! We will also have a brief devotional time together. Please RSVP to Brenda Reinicke so that we may plan accordingly. Her email is: [brendar4flute@gmail.com](mailto:brendar4flute@gmail.com)**

### **NEW BIBLE STUDY!**

**Introduction to the Psalms**

**Beginning Wednesday, April 24th, we will be starting a new mid-week Bible study on the Psalms! This will be a four week long class that will highlight what the Psalms are, the different types and styles of Psalms, how Jesus used the Psalms and how we can study, pray, and apply the Psalms to our lives today. All ages are welcome to attend this class. The class will be taught by Pastor Wendy and will run from 7 - 8:30 pm April 24th, May 1st, May 8th, and May 15th. Location will**

either be at the church facility if we have moved in or it will be held at Pastor Wendy's home.

Participants are encouraged (though not required) to read or listen to 5 Psalms a day. If you would like to receive a daily email for 30 days that will remind you of which Psalms to read and will also provide material for optional deeper study (even if you cannot attend class) please email Pastor Wendy at [wendy.poch@spiritofhopelcmc.org](mailto:wendy.poch@spiritofhopelcmc.org).

### **A THANK YOU FROM SHERI GILES**

To My Wonderful Spirit of Hope Church Family,

I wanted to personally thank you for all of your care and concern over these past couple of months. Words cannot express how much it has meant to both me and our whole family to have such an outpouring of love and support.

I am grateful for all of the prayers lifted up for me throughout this difficult time. I can truly tell you I have felt the power of all of your prayers. I am so blessed and honored to have such amazing prayer support!

Thank you to the Hopeful Spirits for creating such an absolutely beautiful prayer quilt, and thank you to all who prayed over the quilt before it was given to me. I will always cherish it!

Finally, thank you to all who prepared and brought over delicious meals for us. What an encouragement and blessing it was to know that Spirit of Hope had our backs (pun intended!) during such a challenging time!

May God bless each and every one of you! We hope to see you soon!

In Christ,  
Sheri, Dave, Courtney, and Faith

### **BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE**

**By Senior Pastor Dave Fisher**

Thank you, again so much, to everyone who was able to come this last Saturday for our fourth all church workday in a row! We continued to make excellent progress and are very close to having our self-perform items complete! Carpet squares were installed in the altar and storage areas. A majority of slate tiles were installed in the break room. Pews with scratches were touched up with stain and polished. Pew cushions were cleaned and put into place. Book

holders on the back of pews were reinstalled. Continued general cleaning also took place. Once again, I say, "thank you" to all who came to help during the week: Carl Winkelman, Doug Kleven, Carol Palin, John Parsons, Gary Flora and Wayne Schultz. I also thank our Saturday Crew! Bob Clark, Tom Clausen, Gary Flora, Margie Linner, Andrea and Luke Hoyt, Carolyn and Doug Kleven, Tim Lehnerz, Pam and John Malone, Renee Nefe, Kandy and John Parsons, Glenn Poch, Herb Potthoff, Wayne Schultz, Carl and Marie Winkelman, Lavonne and Delmer Zwegardt. Special thanks go to Rodney Pobar for continuing to lead and organize our self-performance work. Our plumber finished getting the domestic water connections hooked up last Friday. Electricians were finishing their connections to the domestic water and the fire suppression system yesterday. Today power should be connected to the system. Also testing and inspection by the fire department will hopefully happen later this week. Based on test results, we should know toward the end of this week, if we might have Easter Services in the new church building or have to wait a bit more. Thank you for your continued prayers and support!

**Prayer Requests - If you have a prayer request for the prayer team please contact Pastor Dave Fisher at 303-941-0668 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:**

Prayers for healing for Joseph Ravitt's friend, Jason and Jason's preschool aged daughter Teagan, who has been hospitalized six times now with a respiratory illness. Also, prayers for comfort for Joseph's fellow Navy shipmate, Ralph, whose wife recently died

For continued recovery for Sheri Giles from recent spinal surgery

For continued healing for one of DeDe Elliott's clients, Ray Carr, as he continues rehabilitation therapy. Please pray for healing and salvation

For healing for Sara Gutknecht as she continues chemotherapy treatment

For healing for Cathy Morano's friend's father, who had foot surgery yesterday

For continued healing for Cathy Morano's sister, Frances Hansen, from recent brain surgery

For healing for Cathy Morano's high school friend's daughter, Kamela Popiwczak from brain surgery

For the Tartu Academy of Theology in Estonia as they fundraise 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 our church to meet any and all challenges to complete the building project

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)**

### **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  
4/21 Bill Byers

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

April Income (to date) = **\$6,744**

April Expenses (to date) = **\$4,538**

Checking = **\$26,576**

Money Market = **\$29,104 (Reserves = \$10,323 Dedicated = \$18,781)**

Building Fund = **\$18,084**