



MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, May 7, 2019

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ASOCIATE PASTOR WENDY POCH IS ON CALL FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND URGENT ISSUES THIS COMING SATURDAY, MAY 11, AT 303-514-5266.

THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE – MOTHER’S DAY

It is Mother’s Day this coming Sunday, May 12th. At Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church, we will once again recognize and honor all mothers at the beginning of service. This Sunday’s reading is from the gospel of Luke, chapter 14, verses 7-14. While still at a dinner on a Sabbath, Jesus uses the occasion to comment on the value of humility over pride.

Everything happens 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.

PSALMS BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES THIS WEDNESDAY – MAY 8

The mid-week Bible study on the Psalms continues this Wednesday, May 8. Pastor Wendy returns to lead the class and the class will be held at her home. This four week long class highlights 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.

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.

COMING EVENTS AT SPIRIT OF HOPE

MAY 12 – MOTHER’S DAY: All moms will be honored at the beginning of worship.

MAY 19 – FOUNDER’S SUNDAY: we will have a Potluck Brunch after worship to celebrate the official founding of Spirit of Hope.

MAY 26 – MEMORIAL SUNDAY: Patriotic hymns will be featured at worship as we remember this Sunday those who gave the ultimate sacrifice in service of our nation.

JUNE 2 – ACENSCION SUNDAY: We remember Jesus’ ascension to the right hand of God the Father on this Sunday. We are also hosting special guests from our mission partners, Apache Youth Ministry.

AYM Visiting Spirit of Hope

Host Homes May Be Needed

We are hosting our mission partners, Apache Youth Ministries, from June 1st - June 5th. It is our hope that our building will be finished and that AYM can stay at the church. However, we need to come up with a back-up plan just in case we don't have our C.O. yet. We are looking for people who are willing to host a minimum of 2 people (if you would like to host more that is certainly an option). They do not need their own beds or bedrooms. Air mattresses on the floor are perfectly fine (and we have extra air mattresses if you need them). Hosts would be asked to provide a simple breakfast and drive them to our church location by 8:30 am and then pick them up (or we can drop them off) in the evening. You are, of course, welcome (but not required) to join in the activities of the day on any/every day that you choose.

Hosting is a wonderful way to be involved in the mission work of Spirit of Hope. The young adults and the AYM staff that will be staying with us will be most appreciative and will enjoy getting to know you and seeing life through your eyes. If you are willing to host, please contact Pastor Dave or Pastor Wendy by May 26th.

BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE

By Senior Pastor Dave Fisher

Our domestic water system pressure problems were solved last week and the purification system activated. County inspectors looked at our flooring and said they will pass it with the smoothing we have done. We are going to do some additional smoothing this week, however, to make it as safe as possible. We are in the inspection

process with the fire suppression system. The hydrostatic (leak) test passed on Thursday but the flush test failed on Friday as there was some debris in the storage tanks. That problem will be addressed this week and re-inspection will happen as well as some additional testing of the alarm system. There are some more interior inspections that need to occur, but we are moving forward and should get our C.O. this month, Lord willing. One thing we need to do as a congregation is to relocate and reposition our street sign to comply with sign codes for a permanent sign. IF ANY OF YOU HAS A POST HOLE DIGGING MACHINE THAT WE MAY BORROW, PLEASE CONTACT ME. Once we pass all final inspections the C.O. can be issued the same day, so occupying and moving into the facility can happen quickly. Please watch future emails and newsletters! 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.

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 peace and comfort for Pastor Wendy's family as they mourn the passing of Grandma Jean last week

Healing for Carol Palin's friend, Jenene Johnson, as she battles cancer

Prayers for healing for Pastor Wendy's Aunt Becca who has returned to the hospital

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

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)

May Birthdays

5/4 Chuck West
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

5/31 Dave & Victoria Fisher

QUICK SPIRIT OF HOPE FINANCIAL UPDATE

April Income = **\$16,745**

April Expenses = **\$16,339**

May Income (to date) = **\$6,450**

May Expenses (to date) = **\$2,153**

Checking = **\$25,823**

Money Market = **\$29,120 (Reserves = \$10,339 Dedicated = \$18,781)**

Building Fund = **\$17,954**