



MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, July 30, 2019

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SENIOR PASTOR DAVE FISHER IS ON CALL FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND URGENT ISSUES THIS COMING SATURDAY, AUGUST 3RD, AT 303-941-0668.

BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE **By Senior Pastor Dave Fisher**

We are still very close to obtaining our Certificate of Occupancy for our new facility. We have four remaining inspection issues to resolve in order to receive our C.O. and they all have to do with the outside of our building. One is updated documentation (drawings and an engineering certificate) of our detention pond. That is expected by the end of this week. The trash enclosure requires a fabricated metal gate be installed. We are researching this item and are unsure how quickly this can be accomplished, but it should not take a long time. The parking lot has recycled asphalt due to cost savings rather than finished hard asphalt paving per the plans submitted at the beginning of the project. This requires a request for an amended plan be submitted and a possible meeting with the county to obtain. That request was submitted yesterday and the process may take two to three weeks, but we are not totally sure (depends upon county scheduling). The parking lot lighting needs to be tested for proper luminosity. That test will happen before the scheduled meeting with the county.

Once these issues are resolved the C.O. will be released and we can move in! Please watch your email as I will inform you of progress as it happens. Once the C.O. is obtained, we will organize to transfer our furnishings that are in storage into the new facility and plan to have our first worship service the Sunday after C.O. Again, watch your

email for more details as things happen. Thank you for ALL your prayers and continued patience! Praise be to God for bringing us this far!

THIS SUNDAY AT SPIRIT OF HOPE

This coming Sunday, August 4th, worship will still take place in the gym at Pine Lane Elementary North. Pastor Dave will continue our reading through the gospel of Luke by telling a parable that is very appropriate for us at Spirit of Hope. Jesus tells a story in Luke 18:1-8 about persistence. Come and hear encouragement from the Lord as He teaches His followers not to give up.

Again, Sunday worship and fellowship will happen 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. Extended fellowship follows worship.

THRIVENT FINANCIAL SERVICE PROJECT AT SPIRIT OF HOPE THIS AUGUST!

During the month of August, Spirit of Hope will join Thrivent Financial in a service project. The project is a “Back to School Shoe Drive.” This is a national joint effort by Thrivent and Samaritans Feet. This is a different organization than Samaritan’s Purse which was previously reported (Pastor Dave’s error). The project is to provide new shoes for needy elementary aged children prior to the start of school. Shoes will be collected all through August on Sundays at Spirit of Hope in the blue mission tub. More details will be shared this Sunday during our Mission Moment at the beginning of worship from our Thrivent Representative, Jim Johnson.

THE SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE HOPEFUL SPIRITS FOR AUGUST 6, HAS BEEN CANCELLED! WATCH FUTURE NEWSLETTERS FOR A RESCHEDULED MEETING WHEN WE ARE IN THE NEW FACILITY

SUMMER ADULT EDUCATION CONTINUES TOMORROW!

Mid-week summer Bible study continues tomorrow with our look at the Scriptural basis for our mission and some of our core beliefs. The third of a four-week session will be held tomorrow, WEDNESDAY, July 31st, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. The current class is examining how society values life, how our culture views the taking of life and why we as Christians are committed to the preservation of life. The class

is taught by Wayne Schultz. The location of this week's class is Wayne's home (11360 E Stallion Drive, Parker, CO 80138).

TWO NEW WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDIES!

"Intentional Generosity" August 14th - September 4th

"Luther's Catechisms" September 18th - November 13th

Our Wednesday evening Bible studies continue. Wayne Schultz is presently teaching a four week series (you can join in any time!) on "The Value of Life in the 21st Century". Upon the conclusion of this series, Wayne will begin a new series on "Intentional Generosity" that will run from August 14th - September 4th. All classes meet from 7 - 8:30 pm.

Have you even wondered what it actually means to be Lutheran? Have you been asked by friends or family members why you attend a Lutheran church rather than belonging to a different denomination? Do you understand and know how to share with others what we believe regarding the sacraments, the Lord's Prayer, the Creeds, and other important topics? On September 18th we will be offering a new Bible study on our Lutheran Catechisms and how to apply them in the 21st century. This class will be taught by Pastor Dave and Pastor Wendy. Bible study books for this class are \$10 each. We will be taking orders for the books at church throughout the month of August. This is a great opportunity to learn, or to be refreshed, about our core Lutheran beliefs.

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 the Lusk family as they grieve the passing of Cherri's sister on July 12

Thanksgiving for healing and good progress for Pastor Dave's mother, Janice Fisher, in Phoenix recovering from recent heart stress issues and undiagnosed severe weakness in her legs

Healing for Victoria Fisher's brother-in-law in Montana, Chuck Hall, as he recovers from recent successful bladder cancer surgery

For healing for Cathy Morano's friend in Chicago, Traci, who is recovering from recent breast cancer surgery and also, for Traci's father who has been in and out of the hospital with foot and stress issues

Thanksgiving for Sara and Steve Gutknecht for Sara finishing chemotherapy and Steve finishing from radiation treatments for cancer. Please pray that future scans show complete healing

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)

July Birthdays

7/6 Polly Gates
7/11 Jim Elliott
7/14 Justin Trawny
7/17 Philip Johnson
7/20 Judy Mackie
7/23 Bob Clark
7/23 Nancy Lehnerz

July Anniversaries

7/5 Judy & LH Mackie
7/7 Steve & Sara Gutknecht
7/10 Herb & Beth Potthoff
7/16 Jim & DeDe Elliott
7/17 Mike & Denise Christensen
7/18 Brad & Andrea Hoyt

QUICK SPIRIT OF HOPE FINANCIAL UPDATE

July income (to date) = **\$13,021**

July expenses (to date) = **\$9,505**

Checking = **\$28,214**

Money Market = **\$29,151 (Reserves = \$10,370 Dedicated = \$18,781)**

Building Fund = **\$8,854**