



## MISSION NEWS from Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church Tuesday, August 6, 2019

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**ASSOCIATE PASTOR WENDY POCH IS ON CALL FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND URGENT ISSUES THIS COMING SATURDAY, AUGUST 10<sup>TH</sup>, AT 303-514-5266.**

**PASTOR DAVE WILL BE AWAY ON VACATION FROM AUGUST 10 THROUGH AUGUST 18**

### **BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE**

**By Senior Pastor Dave Fisher**

We still 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. We now expect that work to be completed by the middle of this week. The trash enclosure requires a fabricated metal gate be installed. That was ordered from a local company yesterday and is due to be installed two weeks from Thursday. 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 meeting with the county to obtain. That request for a meeting was submitted last week and the process may take two to three weeks, but we are not totally sure (depends upon county scheduling). The parking lot lighting will be fixed to meet the submitted plans so there will be no need for a luminosity test. 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 11<sup>th</sup>, Pastor Wendy will preach and preside at worship as we continue our reading through the gospel of Luke. In Luke 18:9-14 Jesus tells the parable of the Pharisee and the Sinner. Self-righteous pride v. authentic humility is the subject of this parable. The Praise Band will be back to lead singing this Sunday. Also, we will have a special time of prayer for our young people returning to college this month (see article below). Unless otherwise published, 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.

### **SPECIAL PRAYER FOR STUDENTS THIS SUNDAY!**

This coming Sunday at worship all college students will have an opportunity to have prayer and the laying on of hands for the beginning of their school year. Also, our local pupils, students and their schools will be lifted up during the prayers of the church. Most of our kids and young people will be starting or returning to school this month. Come for this special blessing for our young people.

### **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. The project is to provide new ATHLETIC TYPE 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. Thank you to Thrivent Representative, Jim Johnson, for sharing more about this project during last Sunday's mission moment.

**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. Tomorrow's class concludes the session "The Value of Life in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century" and will be held from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. 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](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:**

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)**

### **August Birthdays**

8/4 Bill Lusk  
8/5 Nancy Howland  
8/9 Donna Maxwell  
8/9 Carl Winkelman  
8/10 Pam Malone  
8/10 Mike Maxwell  
8/11 Carol Palin  
8/29 Marvin Gates

### **August Anniversaries**

8/2 Delmer & Lavonne Zwegardt  
8/8 Tim & Nancy Lehnerz  
8/22 Tom & Renee Nefe

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

July income = **\$13,021**

July expenses = **\$14,111**

August income (to date) = **\$7,147**

August expenses (to date) = **\$2,188**

Checking = **\$29,260**

Money Market = **\$29,167 (Reserves = \$10,386 Dedicated = \$18,781)**

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