

Spirit of Hope Update



Saturday:

5 p.m. "the Lift"

Jump Start following communion

Sunday:

8:45 a.m. Blended Service

11 a.m. Contemporary Worship

Sermon Text: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Holy Communion at all services. Nursery available Sundays.

The August Newsletter deadline is tomorrow, Friday, July 15th! Please submit your articles, photos, etc. to Cheryl Gibson - cheryl@spiritofhopelutheran.com.

Men's Underwear Collection is this weekend, July 16-17th - We will be collecting NEW Men's Underwear, white, sizes 30-36, to go to the homeless. Your donations will be dropped off at **Grace Lutheran Church**. Remember those who lack this basic necessity also in your prayers.

Help Someone "Shine"... Have you ever had a moment in your life when someone gave you something - a card or note - that made you feel special? It made you smile and you "shined"? We want to be able to help our homeless people have that same feeling. In conjunction with our **Pancake Breakfast for the Homeless** on July 31st at Grace Lutheran Church, we would like to provide a bag of items to assist our homeless and make life a little easier for them. Blue bags have been donated by Cox Cable for this event and will be handed out this weekend. We are asking you to fill the bags with small or travel-sized items of: toothpaste, toothbrushes, hand sanitizer, sun screen, deodorant, soap, etc. (which are generally available for around \$1.) You may also include toilet paper, wash cloths, hard candy and/or a handwritten note. Your blue bag may be returned to SOH starting Wednesday, July 27th through Saturday, July 30th. Baked goods may be included, but please remember that these items won't be delivered until Sunday, July 31st. Contact Terry Hilgendorf-Pope at 602-370-2689 for any questions or additional information.

Pancake Breakfast - Volunteers are needed to cook and serve pancakes at **Grace Lutheran Church** in Phoenix on the above-mentioned Sunday - July 31st. If you can help, contact **Mike Johnson** at 520-509-1560 or globalmission@cox.net. Donations are also needed to cover the cost of the event. Your help and generosity are so greatly appreciated.

Hunger to serve... Our **Hunger Jar** goal in the next few weeks is to collect approximately \$1,000 to buy non-perishable supplies for the Seniors Rock sponsored Heat Respite Project, packing sack lunches for the homeless and \$350 for the Pancake Breakfast to be served at **Grace Lutheran Church** on Sunday, July 31st. Our Hunger Jar total so far is \$761.96. Thank you for remembering the less fortunate.

A Reminder - Church Council meets next Tuesday, July 19th at 6:30 p.m.

Fort 'N A Flick Night - Jump Start's popular Family Fun Night is Friday, July 22nd, 6:30-9 p.m. ***Be prepared to have a good time!***

Adult Forums will resume September 18th. Response to our Forums last year was great and we'd like to see even more of you attend in the coming year. What would you like to learn about, maybe learn more about? What topics would you be interested in discussing? Have you heard a good speaker that you think we'd enjoy? E-mail Pastor Sondra or call any of the following: Marie Eisele (480-358-0851), Dorothy Hansen (480-292-9033) or Jonn Bergstrom (480-354-0566). Plan to join us on Sundays, 10 a.m. in our large classroom.

Fall Scheduling is beginning again. Please let Cheryl, in our church office, know your plans so they can be published and rooms can be reserved.

Look for the "Yellow School Bus" - Children are in need of school supplies at La Primera Luterana at First Evangelical Lutheran Church and at area domestic violence shelters, among other places. You can help these kids by bringing in backpacks, paper, paper binders, pencils, crayons, school scissors, rulers, pens, etc. starting Saturday, July 22nd through July 31st. Look for the box behind the "Yellow School Bus" in the Narthex. Please contact Terry Hilgendorf-Pope at 602-370-2689 or Wendy Bell at 480-830-3795 for any questions or additional information.

Stephen Ministry - If you are a trained **Stephen Minister**, Pastor Sondra would love to visit with you. You can call her in the church office or send her an email at pastorsondra@spiritofhopelutheran.com.