

# Spirit of Hope Update



## Saturday:

5 p.m. "the Lift"

Saturday Night Alive following communion

## Sunday:

8:45 a.m. Blended Service

10 a.m. Jump Start

11 a.m. Contemporary Worship

## **Sermon Text: Matthew 21:23-32**

*Holy Communion at all services. Nursery available Sundays.*

**"How Can You Say There Is Only One Way to God? What About Other Religions?"** is the second in our **Adult Forum** DVD series called *"The Reason for God, Conversations on Faith and Life"* which starts at 10 a.m. this Sunday, September 25th. This series continues throughout October. Join us at 10 a.m. in the large classroom for this thought-provoking series.

**SOH Mommies & Munchkins** meets next Monday, September 26th, at 9:30 a.m. in the SOH nursery. Invited are all moms (& Munchkins) - from expecting moms to moms with kids up to kindergarten age - to share in the wonderful rollercoaster of motherhood. The group meets every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month. Please bring a friend and/or a snack to share. Contact Monique Brandau at 602-751-1235 or [moniquebrandau@yahoo.com](mailto:moniquebrandau@yahoo.com) if you have questions.

**Scrapbookers unite!** Come to *Spirit of Hope* next Tuesday, September 27th at 6:30 p.m. and join in the fellowship and fun. Contact Michelle Scavo for more information, 480-615-7488.

**New Member Weekend** is coming up - please take the opportunity on Saturday, October 1st and Sunday, October 2nd to welcome the newest group of members to our church community.

**Drivers Needed For Medical Care...** One of our members - Sue Vogel-Herrera is currently hospitalized at the Mayo Clinic Hospital battling leukemia. She is receiving a heavy dose of chemotherapy which will be followed by a bone marrow transplant. Her hospital treatment program will continue for approximately 6 weeks. When she returns home, she will need transportation to and from her home to the Mayo Clinic Hospital for about 100 days (approximately 90 miles). We are attempting to line up drivers. Her appointment would be at 7:30 a.m. each morning. The appointment could be as short as 2 hours or as long as all day. If you can help contact: Gayle Troiano 480-288-7684. We are hoping to recruit 10 or more drivers.

**Children's Education is in full swing!** Spirit of Hope's Children's Education Programs have begun a new year and new curriculum. Children from age 3 (if potty-trained) through 6th grade will walk through the life of Jesus as a kid with "Hometown Nazareth". You can still sign up either online at [www.spiritofhopelutheran.com](http://www.spiritofhopelutheran.com) or fill out a form found in the narthex. Both the Saturday night and Sunday morning groups are using the same curriculum.

**Saturday Night Alive** happens every Saturday. Children are invited to attend the 5 p.m. "Lift" worship service and after communion, meet up with a leader who will take them to a classroom for study and fun activities. Contact Danielle Heinle, [daniellerheinle@gmail.com](mailto:daniellerheinle@gmail.com) for more information.

Sunday morning, **JumpStart** begins at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Children will be directed from there to classrooms where they will also learn about Jesus in a fun way. Contact Brenda Barta, [ndazbarta@gmail.com](mailto:ndazbarta@gmail.com) for more information.

**From the "Coffee Guy" Mike Johnson:** Hot Cocoa mix has been ordered - two cases, 12 cans at a fixed cost of only \$6 each, same as last year. Hurry and get yours before the price goes up! Remember, proceeds from this benefit a cause far greater than just a simple drink. Contact Mike Johnson with your questions - [globalmission@cox.net](mailto:globalmission@cox.net) or 520-509-1560.

**Sing with us** - Celebrate **Reformation Day** with 7 other local churches on Sunday, October 30th, 4 p.m. at *Our Savior's Lutheran Church*. You need not be part of the SOH choir, but will need to participate in some rehearsals prior to the performance. The combined church choirs will have a final rehearsal at 2 p.m. that day and will be accompanied by the organ and a brass quintet for the performance. Contact Gerry Davis at 480-373-6935 if you can help praise God on this special day.

**Confirmation** begins next Wednesday, September 28th at 6:30 p.m. with a new and wonderful group of kids embarking on an exciting year of discovering the power of God in their lives. Please pre-register your child(ren) online at [www.spiritofhopelutheran.com](http://www.spiritofhopelutheran.com).

**Blessing of the Animals** is coming in October! Mark your calendars for this special service to be held Saturday, October 22nd at 3 p.m. in the SOH parking lot. All "under control" pets (leashed, crated, caged, haltered) are welcome to this brief service to honor our beloved friends. Deceased pets can also be remembered. Contact Marcia Johnson for more details, [marcia4soh@cox.net](mailto:marcia4soh@cox.net) or 520-509-1560.

**GriefShare offers comfort** to those who are grieving. Our Biblically-based support group has begun its 13-week session on Thursday evenings, 6:30-8 p.m. The group is open to all who are grieving the loss of a loved one. You need not be a member of Spirit of Hope and you can begin attending at any session, since each is "self-contained". Facilitation is shared by Donna Gerek, Donna Weissenborn, and Karen and Jim Gowan. See any of these people or Pastor Sondra if you have questions.