**Spirit of Hope Update**

February 5th & 6th Worship Services:

Saturday:

5 p.m. “the Lift”

Jump Start following communion

Sunday:

8:45 a.m. Blended Service

11 a.m. Contemporary Worship

10 a.m. Jump Start

10 a.m. Adult Forum

Text: Matthew 5:13-20

Holy Communion at all services. Nursery available Sundays.

New Member Orientation is one week away. If you would like to become a member of Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church, our next New Member Orientation will be February 13th from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Lunch will be served. Just contact the church office 480-396-8300 and add your name to the list if you would like to attend this orientation. Please state the number of people who will be attending and whether you will need child care or not. Deadline to sign up for this class is Tuesday, February 8th.

Adult Forum – This Sunday, February 6th at 10:00 a.m. will feature Pastor Richard Kraiger and the theme: “Looking at the Gospel of John in a New Way.” This study, which will continue on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays of February, will examine three narrative passages from John’s Gospel. Recent approaches of scholarship will seek to yield fresh insights. Pastor Kraiger and his wife Naomi are charter members at Spirit of Hope. He has served the Lutheran Church in 33 years of active ministry, including congregations in North Dakota and Alaska.

The “Lift” and potluck, too... Join us this Saturday night, after the “Lift” service (around 6 p.m.) for our Monthly Potluck. The “Lift” is our energizing Saturday night service at 5 p.m. every Saturday night. If you haven’t experienced this contemporary service yet, why not come this Saturday?

Scouts Celebrate 100 years – Boy Scouts of America is celebrating 100 years of Scouting this Saturday and Sunday. Our Cub Scout Pack and Boy Scout Troop 302 will be showing their support for the organization that has provided them with a charter home at Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church. The Cub and Boy Scouts will be providing their services to the church as they meet and greet the parishioners of Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church in their Class A dress uniforms. Come and learn more about this worthwhile program.

Super Bowl Food Drive - everybody wins! As we cheer on our favorite super bowl teams, the Green Bay Packers and the Pittsburgh Steelers, we also want to provide support to our local Lutheran Food Bank. Please bring non-perishable food to be placed in your favorite super bowl team basket this weekend. Let’s see what super

bowl team provides the most support for our Lutheran Food Bank. Go Green Bay Packers, Pittsburgh Steelers and Lutheran Food Bank!

Comfort is at hand - GriefShare classes are offered on Mondays from 1 to 2:30 p.m. and on Thursdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The sessions offer encouragement and help for those grieving the death of a loved one. This is an opportunity to be around people who understand these overwhelming feelings. Coping skills will be taught, as well as valuable information about facing life situations. Hope and understanding are shared. Please join us.
Thursday Women's Bible Study explores new theme - "The People of God: Race and Culture" will be the February focus of this Thursday group. Bring your bible and join us - Thursdays, 1-2:30 p.m. in the large classroom.

50 Spirit of Hope Members Pack Food - A crew of 50 descended upon the Feed My Starving Children facility to pack over 10,000 meals last Saturday. The reality is that 18,000 children die per day, or one child every 5 seconds. This 3-hour activity allows 28 children to eat for a year.

Tatum Jane Christine Brandau Enters the World - Trenton Brandau would like to announce that his little sister Tatum was born Saturday, January 29th. She weighs 6 lbs. 12 oz. and is 19 inches long. Mommy, daddy, and baby are doing great. Trenton is doing fine too, but not sure what all the fuss is over this new kid!

Pancakes & Sausages Served with "Spirit" & "Hope" - Grace Lutheran Church in downtown Phoenix opens it's doors every Sunday morning to the homeless community to serve them breakfast. Last Sunday, January 30th, fifteen of our cooks from Spirit of Hope provided 275 plates of food for these needy people. The cost to feed each person is about $1.25. Special thanks to Pam Richards for providing fresh citrus to all who wanted to take some home.

Cameron Cooper Tomnitz Being Baptized Sunday - Cameron Cooper Tomnitz will be baptized this Sunday at the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Cameron was born October 9, 2010. His parents are Matt & Lisa Tomnitz.

Wild Horse Rescue Ranch could use your help! This organization saves horses from being slaughtered. They also rescue cats and dogs. Their permit costs are due. If they don't get enough money to pay for the permit to keep the rescue in the city boundries, the organization will be shut down and the animals will be given away or put down. The permit is $56,000 along with needed repairs of $11,000. If you have a heart for animals and would like to help, contact Leigh Ham at 480-354-6876.

Lutheran World Relief Coffee Update:  Chocolate lovers... this could be your month! More chocolate has been ordered. Whole coffee beans are in. The French Roast Coffee is now available for purchase.  Remember, these could make wonderful gifts. Who doesn't like a nice cup of coffee with their chocolate?