



# Highlands Happenings

**November 12, 2015**

## Moms' Group News

Find someone to watch the kids! The Moms' Group will be meeting on **November 14th at 11:30** at Highland Tap & Burger for a "moms only" lunch. Come join us for a rare meal without the kids. RSVP to Sara or Maren.

## Hats And Gloves To Warm Those In Need

As we prepare ourselves and our homes for winter, let us remember those who have no homes. During the month of November, let us help a bit by bringing warm hats and gloves to church. Look for the donation boxes in the narthex. We will deliver them to St. Francis Center on **Monday, December 2**.

## 2 opportunities to help others Gobble, Gobble - Bienvenidos Food Bank and Urban Servant Corps!

**In November, we are helping Bienvenidos provide Thanksgiving Baskets.** For the next four weeks, we will be collecting canned Pumpkin (15 oz. cans) and Stove Top Turkey Stuffing. These items will go into Thanksgiving baskets - let's make sure there will be food for all in need. Please drop-off your donations no later than **Sunday, November 15**, so they can be blessed and distributed on November 19<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your faithful donations.

The **Urban Servant Corps volunteers** are looking forward to celebrating Thanksgiving together as a community and need your help. Can we help them celebrate together (the first Thanksgiving or our international volunteers!) by putting together a Thanksgiving box for 15 people including: Turkey, potatoes, pumpkin pie fixings, green bean casserole ingredients, and sweet potatoes or squash? Contact Erin Power for more information and to help: [epower@iliff.edu](mailto:epower@iliff.edu).

## Thanksgiving Potluck NEXT Sunday, 11/22

A sign-up sheet for our joint HLC and HCC Thanksgiving potluck is on the back table in the narthex. **Make sure to sign-up by this Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.** The other church is in charge of this lunch that is a tradition for them, extending the meal to those at Tennyson Place also. Each church will be responsible for half of the Thanksgiving feast. Please sign up as soon as possible, so we know what is still needed.

Thanks...any questions, ask Nancy Lintvedt.

## Coffeecake Fundraiser

Place your order by **Sunday 11/15** and your coffeecake will be available for pickup right after church on **Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>**. The Moms' Group Coffeecake Fundraiser will help raise funds for gift certificates for families at The Gathering Place, which is Denver's only daytime drop-in center for women, their children and transgender individuals experiencing poverty or homelessness. Coffeecakes are \$10 each and will serve 6-8 people. Use the order forms on the table in the narthex, or email

[marenmarkus@gmail.com](mailto:marenmarkus@gmail.com)

### Spanish Classes!

Erick Santiago, who is from Puerto Rico, is teaching fun Spanish classes here at the church, and from all reports, *it is FUN!* The class meets at 5pm on Mondays. A \$5 donation for supplies would be appreciated. There's still room to participate, so please contact Erick at [ericksantiago05@gmail.com](mailto:ericksantiago05@gmail.com) or [\(410\)-340-9923](tel:(410)340-9923) for more information about the class.

### Closet Clean-up Project—TIME/DAY CHANGED!

It is time to clean up and organize what used to be the IHN closet in the Fellowship Hall! The new day and time is **Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup> from 4-5:30pm**. If you are interested in helping, please see, call or email Mary Williams at [mwilliams@iliff.edu](mailto:mwilliams@iliff.edu)

### November Book Club

November's discussion will be on **Friday the 20th at 6:30 pm**. Bring your talking points, and food, of course, to Ken Wiig's house. This month's selection is *Mutant Message Down Under*, by **Marlo Morgan**. Don't let the title throw you off ☺ This is an account of transformation that is fascinating to read; it's a good follow-up to *Hand to Mouth*.

### Thank You!

A big thank you to everyone who participated in the "God's Work, Our Hands" Sunday School project. The children made the leaves and the congregation helped "rake in saving" for the Lutheran Family Services Refugee project. We collected \$150 in gift cards and it has been given to L.F.S. Thanks again for your support of this program.

The new serving cart in the narthex was handcrafted by **Rick Wittkopp**, given in memory of Wendy Haselgren's aunt, Hazel VandenBerg.  
Thanks for this beautiful addition!

### My Neighborhood from Sheikh Jarrah, an East Jerusalem neighborhood

This is a short film chronicling the human impact of Israeli settlements and nonviolent efforts to prevent the displacement of Palestinian families telling the story of Mohammad El Kurd, a teenager whose family is forced to give up part of their home and live under the same roof as Israeli settlers and the unexpected support his family finds from Israeli allies. The film helps us understand how settlements affect the daily lives of ordinary Palestinians.

**Michael Zoughbi** is a Palestinian Christian, born and raised in Bethlehem. He is part of the dwindling population of Palestinian Christians in the Holy Land. He visits the United States to tell the story of the plight of his people and to help his people by the selling of olive woodcarvings. With the current level of closure and violence, tourism in Bethlehem is non-existent. Because many of the Palestinian Christians make their living producing and selling their olive woodcarvings, their livelihoods are in serious jeopardy.  
**Saturday, November 14, 4:00-6:00 pm** — at the Lutheran Center, 7375 Samuel Drive (near Boulder Turnpike and Pecos)

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**May God bless you and keep you in His Grace!**