

Highlands Happenings

June 23, 2016

Habitat for Humanity is coming up TOMORROW, June 24th

Our next Habitat opportunity will be at **4260 Fillmore in the Elyria neighborhood**. CHR program seeks to help low-income homeowners with much-needed home restoration so that they can continue to live in a safe and affordable home. The build day is from **8am-3:30pm**. No construction experience is required and all tools and safety gear will be provided, but everyone must be at least 16 years old to be on the construction site. Pre-registration is required. Please contact Ken Wiig 303-870-1070 ken.wiig@gmail.com

SUMMER SERVICES WITH HCC

Summer Sunday in the Park Theme: There is Joy in Community

Mark your calendars for Sunday in the Park! **At 10am on July 10th we will celebrate summer in worship with HCC at Pferdersteller Park.**

Nancy Lintvedt will give a Kid's Sermon, we'll enjoy the music of Ground Cover Bluegrass Band, and have a picnic afterwards.

MINISTRY UPDATES

Anna on Vacation

Anna will be out for the weeks of July 3rd and July 10th, and will return to the office on Tuesday, July 19th.

Is your pledge information Up-to-Date?

A Gentle Reminder to the members and friends of Highlands Lutheran Church: As you enjoy your travels this summer, remember that your church continues its mission. Please check to see that your pledge is current. In God's service, HLC Church Council

New Flooring

We have purchased new bamboo flooring for the Fellowship Hall! We were able to take advantage of a substantial sale, and bought it for \$4,460 instead of the \$7,000 that we were anticipating. The flooring, which is strong and water resistant, will "acclimate" in the church for a month before being installed.

Thanks to the Moms' Group for their fund-raising efforts!

Bring food for the Food Bank Anytime

Thank you for your continued support of the Bienvenidos Food Bank. **In June and July, we are collecting canned fruit and "Chef Boyardee" canned pasta meals.** The canned fruit is especially appreciated. June Donations will be blessed on July 3, and the items will then be delivered to the Food Bank for distribution to hundreds of families in our Northwest Denver community.

Ticket to Ride - Update from Mary Williams

It is wonderful to hear the comments from the staff at St. Francis. While many churches have volunteers who serve there, it is extremely unusual for a church to fund an entire program! You, wonderful Highlands Lutheran, are amazing!

So, thank you, again, for the generosity that keeps this program going. I have no doubt that we will be able to meet our one year commitment! It is my hope that at the end of the year, we will be able to have grant funds available to continue Ticket to Ride at St. Francis.

Thank you, thank you, thank you on behalf of all those who have benefitted and will benefit from this program!

GRAND is Coming Summer 2016!

Grand is a new monthly meet-up geared toward parents, kids, and retirees. It's a mid-week play group for kids and a coffee fellowship for adults. We invite the church & surrounding community from GRANDparent age to GRANDchild to join us in this adventure co-sponsored by Moms' Group & Elderberries.

Keep an eye out for more info. Ain't life GRAND?

[Help Strengthen & Renew Your Marriage!](#)

Enrich Your Relationship on a Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend!

July 29 - 31, 2016

Circle J Retreat Center, Ten Sleep, WY - Bring Your RV!!!

Apply online now at GodLovesMarriage.org

Contact John & Jen Pettinger at jjpettinger@gmail.com or 720-635-9093 for more information.

Weekends fill fast and pre-registration is required - don't miss out!

COMING THIS FALL

[God's Work. Our Hands.](#)

Watch for more information to come on the events planned for God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday **September 11th**.

[The Blessing of the Animals](#)

On Sunday **September 25th**, we will again hold a service on the lawn, weather permitting, to bless the animals.

Please put this date on your calendars invite your friends and neighbors to do the same.

[Crop Hunger Walk](#)

The CROP HUNGER WALK will be on **Sunday, October 16th**, right after service. Some of us will walk, while others will be sponsors for the walkers. On **Saturday, October 15th** HLC's Moms will hold a Community Harvest Festival for HLC, HCC and our neighborhood. This will be a fun event for singles, families with kids, and people of all ages. Fair Trade vendors will entice us to think ahead and buy Christmas gifts while helping support local businesses.

MAY CHRIST'S LOVE, GRACE and COMPASSION BE WITH YOU ALWAYS!