

Highlands Happenings

July 7, 2016

SUMMER SERVICES WITH HCC

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

THIS SUNDAY, July 10th, @ 10:00 am is our "Picnic in the Park".

Bring your lawn chairs or a blanket if you have kids.

We will be at Pferdestellar Park at 35th between Yates and Wolfe.

Following the outdoor service, we will have our annual barbecue. We will worship and eat together with Highland Christian Church. The churches will provide tableware, hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, condiments, and beverages. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Come join us for a lovely gathering in the beautiful world that God made.

We have a wedding coming up at church!



Tyler and Erick are getting married on Saturday, July 16th, at 5:30 pm!

The wedding will be followed by a reception in our fellowship Hall. Our congregation is invited to offer a potluck reception for our couple. A sign-up sheet for this will be available on Sunday.

Here are the food categories they are looking for: pasta salads, casseroles, Ethnic foods, Salads, Fruit/Veggies/Bread. Deserts, Lemonade; they are also looking for people to grill outside burgers and BBQ chicken.

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.

Information for HLC Moms' Group

Family Star Montessori is a now enrolling! Family Star Montessori is a local early childhood education school serving children 2 months to 6 years. We offer a full day, year-round authentic Montessori program. We pride ourselves on our low child to staff ratios and our inclusive, large, diverse, bilingual classrooms. Family Star is NAEYC accredited and has two convenient Denver locations in both Jefferson Park and Curtis Park. Call us today at (303) 477-7827 to schedule a tour! Mention this posting, and your \$200 application fee will be applied to your first month's tuition!

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STEWARDSHIP OF RESOURCES

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. And there is a simpler way to send your contribution! It is called...

SIMPLY GIVING

Online giving made easy

Electronic giving for your regular contributions is possible through Simply Giving. With Simply Giving, your regular Sunday offering is transferred safely and securely from your bank account to ours. No more writing checks. No more envelopes. That reduces costs for the church and simplifies weekly offering counting. Most of all, Simply Giving helps to smooth the income patterns for the church. Your donation will continue uninterrupted when you are absent due to illness or travel. YOU decide how much. YOU decide how often. Once a month? Every week? YOU decide what day the deduction from your account occurs. You will still get an annual giving report. In God's service,
HLC Church Council!

FREE MONEY- Reloadable King Soopers Gift Cards

Every purchase you make at King Soopers or other Kroger brand stores includes a 5% contribution the HLC General Fund IF you use a reloadable King Soopers gift card linked to HCC. Cards are available from Lorraine Rumpeltes and come pre-loaded with a starting balance. Load your card as often as you wish - once a month or prior to every purchase, then pay with the gift card. Five percent of your purchase will be donated by KS back to your church. It's FREE MONEY! Don't let it slip by.

Bring food for the Food Bank Anytime

Thank you for your continued support of the Bienvenidos Food Bank. In **July**, we are continuing to collect canned fruit and "Chef Boyardee" pasta meals. The canned fruit is especially appreciated. July donations will be blessed on August 7th, and the items will then be delivered to the Food Bank for distribution to hundreds of families in our Northwest Denver community.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

There will be a memorial service for Beverly Howe on July 23rd. We do not know what time yet, but Jimmy and Doug will let us know. A potluck will follow.

New Member Classes

Have you, or someone you know, been thinking about joining HLC? Send an email to the church office (office@highlandslutheran.org) if you are interested in attending our next new member orientation: July 24th and July 31st at 11:15 am in the library.

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!

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

Sunday School is Returning Sunday, September 11

Sunday School will be starting for 3-year-olds to Kindergartners on September 11th. We will begin our fall session with a service project in conjunction with "God's Work, Our Hands" Sunday. Please attend the brief service with your children and then they will gather separately for their special project. Sunday school will be weekly, starting at 10 AM and finishing at 10:45. The children will enjoy songs, Bible stories, crafts, and a snack. They will then join their parents and the congregation for communion.

Please let Nancy know if you are interested in participating in Sunday School. We would like to get an idea of how many children will be attending so that we can order materials and make sure we have enough teachers available. We would love your help in the classroom!

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!