

# Highlands Happenings

July 14, 2016

We are all invited to a wedding this Saturday at church!



Tyler and Erick are getting married on July 16<sup>th</sup>, 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.

Here are the food categories they are looking for: pasta salads, casseroles, Ethnic foods, Salads, Fruit/Veggies/Bread. Deserts.

## MINISTRY UPDATES

Thank you for another wonderful Church in the Park! We had a great time under the shade of the trees as we listened to great blue grass music with Groundcover Band, and worshipped together with our partner church HCC. Thank you to Dennis & Nancy Lintvedt for all their work for these events. This was The Lintvedts last year heading up the event. Many thanks for their years of hard work!!

Thank you to Ray Lejeune and Dennis for being great BBQ Chefs; to Ken Wiig for bringing chairs and helping with clean up, to Mary Williams and Pam McClune who made sure we had everything we needed for worship and communion.

### Anna on Vacation

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

### HLC Moms' Group Updates

We will be meeting at Highland Tap & Burger on August 13th at 1pm. This is a Moms' Afternoon Out event (lap babies welcome). Join us for lunch as we discuss the upcoming 2nd Annual Kids Stuff Sale, Grand, and Harvest Festival. RSVP on the Facebook page HLC Moms' Group.

Grand begins August 17th! Come join us in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30-11:30 for coffee and play. Grand is a monthly meet-up for anyone home during the day. It's designed to bring people together from Grandparent age to Grandchild. It's one part playgroup, one part coffee fellowship! Come join in on the fun and invite others to join.

### Share this information with other parents!

Family Star Montessori is 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!

[www.familystar.net](http://www.familystar.net)

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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

A memorial service for Beverly Howe will be held at HLC on July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10AM. 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](mailto:office@highlandslutheran.org)) if you are interested in attending our next new member orientation: July 24th 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!

#### 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](http://GodLovesMarriage.org)**

*Contact John & Jen Pettinger at [jjpettinger@gmail.com](mailto: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 11<sup>th</sup>. 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 Lintvedt know if you are interested in participating in Sunday School. Her e-mail address is:

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

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 11<sup>th</sup>**.

### The Blessing of the Animals

On Sunday **September 25<sup>th</sup>**, 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 16<sup>th</sup>**, right after service. Some of us will walk, while others will be sponsors for the walkers. On **Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>** 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!**