

# Highlands Happenings

September 22, 2016

## MINISTRY UPDATES

### Second Annual Kids Stuff Sale

Come to the 2nd annual sale on **September 24th from 9am-Noon!** Lots of good items at great prices will be available.

### The Blessing of the Animals

This Sunday, **September 25<sup>th</sup>**, we will again hold a service on the lawn (weather permitting) to bless the animals.

**All animals and their people are welcome!** (*stuffed ones are welcome too!*) You may also bring photos of pets that are no longer with us for our pets of remembrance table. **Following the service we'll have an ice cream party!**

## STEWARDSHIP OF TIME and RESOURCES

### The Usher Team Needs You!

Please email Lorraine Rumpeltes if you would like to volunteer as an usher once. Written guidelines are available and the current ushers are always willing to answer any questions. Email Lorraine at [lj3997@yahoo.com](mailto:lj3997@yahoo.com) if you'd like to serve in this way.

### SIMPLY GIVING - Online giving made easy

If you are interested in this program, please contact Lorraine Rumpeltes or Rick Wittkopp.

### FREE MONEY- Reloadable King Soopers Gift Cards

Every purchase you make at King Soopers or other Kroger brand stores includes a 5% contribution to 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 back to our church. It's FREE MONEY! Don't let it slip by.

## OUTREACH AT HLC

### Bienvenidos Food Bank

Our ministry partner, Bienvenidos Food Bank, will be holding its 40th Anniversary Open House (Ice Cream Social and Happy Hour) on **Wednesday, September 28 from 3:00pm to 7:00pm.** Join them at their new location, 3810 Pecos Street to celebrate 40 years of helping our neighbors in need.

**During September, we will be collecting non-spaghetti pastas.** We will bless food on Sunday, **October 2nd** for delivery on

**October 5th.** Keep the donations coming - you and our neighbors are making a difference.

### ELDERBERRIES is back!

Haselgren's are hosting the next Elderberry gathering at **12:30 on October 11.** There will be a meet and greet of Pr Travis. Jerry and Wendy will also be bringing supplies for Joe Milius' kindergarten classes. Details to follow.

### Harvest Festival

We are having a Harvest Festival on the front lawn **October 15th, from 10-2pm.** Planning has begun but we need more hands on the day of the festival, so please contact Maren Markus for more information on how to help.

There will also be an **Alternative Gift Fair** on both **Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> and Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup>.** Come do some early Christmas shopping!

### 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. Watch for more information coming soon.

**It's GRAND!!**

Come join us for a drop in play group and coffee fellowship on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The next meeting is in the fellowship hall from **9:30-11am on October 19<sup>th</sup>**. Tell your friends and neighbors who are stay at home parents of small children to come too. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Maren Markus for more info at [marenmarkus@gmail.com](mailto:marenmarkus@gmail.com).

**IN OUR COMMUNITY**

**St. Jude's 5k run/walk**

Please consider taking part in the St. Jude's 5k run/walk held at Sports Authority Field @Mile High on Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. Thrivent Mutual Funds is a sponsor and will pay for one's entry fee via a "GOLD" promo code at checkout. Fliers are available on the table in the Narthex or register online by clicking on this link [http://fundraising.stjude.org/site/TR?fr\\_id=57392&pg=entry](http://fundraising.stjude.org/site/TR?fr_id=57392&pg=entry)

**Second Wind Walk/Run**

The 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Second Wind Walk/Run will take place **Saturday, October 8, 2016, from 8am-2pm at Clement Park, Littleton**. This community event raises funds to bring life-saving therapy to children and teens at risk of suicide in Colorado! Please visit the registration site or contact Ken Wiig for more details and to sign up! [www.secondwindwalkrun.org](http://www.secondwindwalkrun.org)

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