

Highlands Happenings

December 15, 2016

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

17th Robert Reynolds

18th Martin Brotherton

19th Julie Froehlig

21st Liz Smith

MINISTRY NOTES

Glad Tidings We Bring!

Brave the cold and come for a morning of beautiful worship **THIS SUNDAY December 18th**. Our children will present their small Christmas pageant, followed by the Highland's Choir, singing sacred carols of the season along with some inspirational poetry. Please join us as we celebrate the season.

Cookies Needed: store bought or homemade

We will be having a cookie fellowship following our service on **December 18th** and are asking people to bring 2 dozen cookies, as they are able, to the **Fellowship Hall by 9:30am**, plated and ready to go. Plan to stay around after worship and enjoy time together.



SAFONIA CHRISTMAS CONCERTS AT HLC

Saturday, December 17th at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 18th at 2:30 p.m.

German Christmas Service

December 18th at 5:00pm at the Rocky Mountain Synod Lutheran Center, ELCA
7375 Samuel Dr. Denver, CO 80221; 303-777-6700. All are welcome to come and celebrate the coming of the Christ child with Pastor Wolfgang Stahlberg!

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME and RESOURCES

PLEASE HELP

We really, really, *really* need a couple of people to volunteer to be on the usher team! Please prayerfully consider helping out in this capacity. If you are interested, please talk with Lorraine Rumpeltes. **THANK YOU!**

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 December, let us help a bit by bringing warm hats and gloves, scarves and socks to church. Look for the donation boxes in the narthex. We will deliver them to St. Francis Center on **Wednesday, December 28th**.



Ticket to Ride

Mary Williams would like to extend a great big **THANK YOU** to all of you who contributed to Ticket to Ride this past Sunday. **Over \$300 was donated to keep this effort going!** If you would like to donate to Ticket to Ride, It is now all right to make your checks payable to St. Francis Center, with Ticket to Ride in the Memo line. Thank you for all you give to make this program possible.

PLEDGE CARD REMINDER

Many thanks to all in our congregation who have turned in their pledge cards. Council is now in the process of compiling information for HLC's 2017 budget. This is difficult to do until all pledges have been returned. **Please help by putting remaining pledge cards in the offering this Sunday, December 18th.** If you need one, just ask one of our friendly ushers.

Grocery Cards

Thank you to everyone who uses their Safeway and/or [King Soopers](#) grocery cards! If you haven't started using them yet, now is a GREAT time to start. We are heading into the holidays, which mean we're going to be cooking and eating more than usual! It's a great time to challenge ourselves to use our **GROCERY CARDS**. It costs only \$5 to buy the card from Lorraine Rumpeltes or the church office and then you can load it at the store. Talk to Lorraine if you'd like to hear more about this amazing program.

OUTREACH AT HLC

Bienvenidos Food Bank

Thank you for your continued support of the Bienvenidos Food Bank. **In December, we need refried beans and chili.** Donations will be blessed on the first Sunday of the month and will then be delivered to the Food Bank for distribution to hundreds of families in our Northwest Denver community.

Our Christmas Tree

Our beautiful Highlands Christmas tree was generously donated by Ron Morales. His family owns and operates the Morales Family Christmas Tree lot at the corner of 52nd Avenue and Sheridan Boulevard. Many thanks to this wonderful family for their thoughtfulness!

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