

Highlands Happenings

March 2, 2017

We're trying something new: the TL; DR (too long; didn't read) version of the Happenings ☺

- **Birthdays:** March 2nd Sandi Ackles, March 7th Tom Hasher
 - **#FLAT JESUS:** Highlands FB fun!
 - **Highlands Slackers:** Fun, fellowship & fitness!
- **ELDERBERRIES:** "I know it's March but we're not having green food!"
 - **HLC's Bookies:** New time and place for March
- The 3rd **Annual Moms' Group Kids' Stuff Sale:** 6/10, items & volunteers wanted
 - **Lutheran Family Services needs bicycles!**
- **Grocery Cards:** \$5 to buy one, 5% of every purchase comes to HLC!
- **Bienvenidos Food Bank:** March, canned fruit and refried beans!
 - **Help Wanted:** St. Mark's Lutheran in Aurora

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MINISTRY NOTES

Take FLAT JESUS with you and see what happens.

Jesus is always with us and this Lent, Highlands Lutheran has a tangible reminder with Flat Jesus. Flat Jesus is a paper doll you can color to take with you, keep in your car or purse, leave on your fridge, or take on adventures with you. Flat Jesus is a way to remember to pray and bring Jesus along with you in your everyday moments. For those with Facebook, post pictures of yourself with Flat Jesus on our page, to show others how you've taken Jesus along with you. Post your pictures with #FlatJesus

Don't have Facebook? Keep Flat Jesus with you through Lent as a reminder to reflect and pray. Everyone is invited to bring their personalized Flat Jesus to church on Easter Sunday to swap stories with others and take a group picture. Where will you take Jesus this Lent?

Copies of Flat Jesus are available in the Narthex, or download [here](http://s3.amazonaws.com/churchplantmedia-cms/chapel_of_the_cross_mo/flat-jesus.jpg) or copy and paste this link into your browser http://s3.amazonaws.com/churchplantmedia-cms/chapel_of_the_cross_mo/flat-jesus.jpg

Highlands Huffers!

Pretty much all of us can walk/trot four miles or even thirteen without much effort or practice. Use those skills by joining the Highland Slackers. We will be running/trotting/jogging/meandering down the Slacker Half Marathon.

Alternatively, you could get a team and do the Slacker four mile relay race, if thirteen is too far. Go to [Slacker Half Marathon](#) to sign up then join your other fit folks for a day of fun. Let Erin Powers or Judy Sims know when you've signed up.

ELDERBERRIES

Come join hosts Nicole Jobin, Ellen Lorts, Jerry and Wendy Haselgren on **Tuesday, March 14 at 12:30** for Elderberries. Menu: "I know it's March but we're not having green food!"

Chili and mild green chili stew (vegetarian) with cornbread and crudités. Please bring a bit of dessert - it can even be green! We will be 'refreshing' the children's' busy bags so your financial support will be welcome.

HLC's Bookies book club is meeting at a new time and place for March

We will be meeting in the Great hall of Denver's Union Station to discuss Dana Crawford: 50 Years Saving the Soul of a City by Mike McPhee on **Saturday morning March 18 at 9 am**. We will also have opportunities to walk around LODO and see some of the other sites she helped preserve, including Larimer Square, the Oxford Hotel, the Ice House and more. The book is only 220 pages and is full of pictures, so if you've ever thought of checking out the book club, this may be an easy and fun opportunity. Contact Ken Wiig for information.

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME and RESOURCES

The 3rd Annual Moms' Group Kids' Stuff Sale needs your help!

Are your kids outgrowing their clothes? Do you need to weed through their toy collection? Bring your items for donation to the left side of the stage in the Fellowship Hall at any time between now and the end of May. **Our sale will be on June 10th** and we need lots of volunteers to organize and sell. Come have fun and shop. Sign up on our [Facebook page](#) to help out.

Several of you have asked about donating items to LFS...

Due to the cut in arrivals and an increased interest from the community, LFS does not need many donation items at this time. Please call Anna at LFS (303-389-2339) before bringing donation items to their office.

Right now, the biggest need in Denver is for middle or high school sized bikes. Contact David at david.cornish@lfsrm.org

Grocery Cards

Grocery gift cards are always available in the office. 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

In March, we need refried beans and canned fruit.

What a wonderful problem to have -- we need more deliveries to keep up! We will now be blessing the food each week, and Jerry, Pam, and Martin will alternate weeks to deliver the collection to the Food Bank for distribution to hundreds of families in our Northwest Denver community. **THANK YOU Jerry, Pam, and Martin!**

PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR POSITION

St. Mark's Lutheran Preschool, 111 Del Mar Circle, Aurora, is seeking a qualified, enthusiastic, energetic director/teacher to help manage the current program. This is a part-time position of 6 hours a day. Four hours are teaching in the classroom with a certified preschool teacher and 2 hours of designated office duties. Our current program is in session Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Our hope is to build a full-time program with a morning and afternoon session. Applicant must be a Christian, maintain a current director's letter set forth by the State of Colorado and willing to help grow the program. For further information, please submit your name and phone number to: admin@stmarksaurora.org. You may also leave a message with the office manager at 303-366-9702. Thank you.

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