

# Highlands Happenings

July 27, 2017

FROM ANNA: I'm updating the church directory for the beginning of the school year. If you have changed any of your contact information, please email your corrections to me at [office@highlandslutheran.org](mailto:office@highlandslutheran.org) THANK YOU

- **Special Kids' Service and Noisy Offering** - Sunday 7/30 at 10am
  - **Pub Theology** - Tuesday, 8/1, 5-6:30 at [Sloan's](#)
  - **Worship and Music** - Wednesday, 8/2/at 6pm
- **Vacation Bible School August 7-11** for Preschoolers and Elementary children!
- **Bienvenidos Food Bank** - In August, we are collecting classroom supplies like paper towels, boxes of tissue and cleaning wipes!
  - **Were you involved in Family Promise?** You might want to learn about and volunteer for Growing Home.
    - **Apply for Thrivent Action Team seed money!**

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## MINISTRY NOTES

### Special Kids' Service

This Sunday, 7/30, we're having a special service for kids at 10am. Make sure to bring your "noisy offering"!

### Pub Theology

HLC and HCC join together to create a safe space to have open discussions about theology. The next gathering is Tuesday, 8/1, 5-6:30 at [Sloan's](#)

## COMING UP AT HIGHLANDS...

### Sunday School & Family Ministry

On August 26th, we will be meeting on the front lawn of church at 10am for crafts, snacks, and plenty of fun! We'll be inviting neighborhood families to stop by and join in while also providing a station for those wishing to donate items for next year's Kids Stuff Sale! Please contact Maren Markus if you're available to help flyer the neighborhood.

**Sunday School begins September 2nd!**

## STEWARDSHIP OF TIME and RESOURCES

### Thrivent Seed Money

Are you a Thrivent member? Did you know that as a Thrivent member, you are eligible to apply for two Action Teams a year, with a kick-starter budget of \$250 each time? If you have yet to utilize your Action Team allotment, please contact Pam McClune or Maren Markus to help you with the process. We have plenty of opportunities for you to select from. From blessing bags, to the Harvest Festival, to Sunday School flyers for the neighborhood, we can match you with a project or help you see your own idea come to life! For more information, please visit the Generosity Programs page on [thrivent.com](http://thrivent.com)

### Vacation Bible School

This year HLC is partnering with Advent Lutheran Church for Vacation Bible School from Aug. 7-11, 9:00-12:00 for preschoolers and from 9:00-3:00 for elementary school aged kids. Advent is hosting, so click [here to register](#) your kiddos. There is also a link for sign-ups on the Children's page of the HLC website [www.highlandslutheran.org](http://www.highlandslutheran.org).

### VBS Help Needed

- \* Provide lunch for the 4 Rainbow Trail counselors on Monday (8/7) or Wednesday (8/9). Lunches would need to be brought to Advent any time before 11:30 on those days.
- \* Host 4 Rainbow Trail counselors for dinner on Monday (8/7) or Wednesday (8/9). Dinner is typically provided at the host's home with an opportunity to get to know the counselors. A gift certificate can also be given for the counselors to go to restaurants.
- \* Volunteer with the youth anytime during the week of VBS (8/7-8/11). Volunteers are needed all week so if you have a morning (9-noon) or full day (9:00-3:00) to spare, please consider helping. If you are able to help in any of these ways, or for more information, please contact Sara Milius as soon as possible: [saramilius@gmail.com](mailto:saramilius@gmail.com).

### Were you involved in Family Promise?

Lynn Smith from Cross of Christ, Broomfield, is a key coordinator of the Growing Home "Canopy Program" in which homeless families are provided shelter in church locations on a rotating basis. The basement of the Lutheran Center is a site for about 12 weeks a year, with volunteers coming in from a variety of churches, some ELCA and some others. A couple weeks a year are shared weeks with no one congregation hosting. Lynn is seeking overnight host volunteers for the nights of **August 8-12**. It involves arriving in the evening, visiting with the guests, and staying overnight in a private room. One or two volunteers can share the room, if you'd like to bring a spouse or partner. Email [kmuller@rmselca.org](mailto:kmuller@rmselca.org) if you are available.

If you are interested, view this 12-minute Mile High TED Talk by the executive director of Growing Home: Teva Sienicki: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vvlozhvQPJw&feature=youtu.be> or visit the Growing Home Website: <http://www.growinghome.org/strengthening-families/>

### Bienvenidos Food Bank

Thank you again and again for your generous contributions to the Food Bank. Items are blessed each Sunday and delivered to Bienvenidos every week so that they can distribute them to individuals in need. In **August** we need **paper towels, boxes of tissue and cleaning wipes!**

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