

# Highlands Happenings

December 8th, 2017

**Birthdays this week:**

Pastor Travis Johnson-Esparza and son Kino - Dec. 10th

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Decorating HLC for Christmas. Please join us on Saturday December 9th at 10am to help prepare our sanctuary and narthex for Christmas.**

## IMPORTANT REMINDER

Please bring your pledge cards and time and talent pledge sheets to church this Sunday to include with your offering.

**The Budget Committee will begin its work this Sunday.**

From Wanda Brotherton: Instead of meeting for Happy Hour at Berkeley Untapped come to Martin and Wanda's, 4570 W. Moncrieff Place on December 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm for brews and conversation.



### **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.

**The Giving Tree is set up in the back of the church and ready for ornaments!  
The children will be selling Fair Trade chocolate and ELCA animals for God's Global Barnyard starting December 3<sup>rd</sup> through Advent.**

*On December 10<sup>th</sup> after church, the generous donations of family hygiene items for the Bienvenidos Food Bank will be assembled into family packs by a Thrivent Action Team.*

We have some 'lost & found' items in the office. Sunglasses, reading glasses and a nice hat!

## COMING UP AT HIGHLANDS....

### **Little Lutheran's Lessons**

December 16 (sat), at church at 10am:

This year we will be approaching the Christmas Program a little differently!

Please come to this event so we can stage, and take pictures of the Little Lutherans dressed in Nativity costume.

On Christmas Eve a slide show of the pictures we take at this event will play, while the children that are able to make it to church that Sunday sing the songs we have been preparing.

Please practice the first verses of Away in a manger, and Silent night, at home while we get ready! I'm hopeful this approach will allow more kids to participate, and have things running smoothly for the service.

**\*\*if you cannot attend this event please let me know ASAP so I can get a picture of your Little Lutheran dressed in costume before the 16th, and work it in.  
As always please feel free to contact me with any questions!**

**Can't wait to greet the holiday season with you! Love, Mrs Wendy 720-422-3543**

*Please be sure to get weekly submissions for Highlands Happenings in to the HLC office by Wednesday each week. Thank you!*

**STEWARDSHIP OF TIME and RESOURCES** \_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 December we are collecting Peanut Butter!**

**Above & Beyond:** Things are getting done! Check out the bulletin board in the Narthex with our "Above & Beyond" campaign details. Peace and Blessings - Your Church Council

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