

Highlands Happenings

March 6th, 2018

BIRTHDAYS COMING UP! Tom Hasher - March 7th

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

"The purpose of spiritual disciplines is liberation from the stifling slavery to self-interest and fear. When the inner spirit is liberated from all that weighs it down, singing, dancing, even shouting can characterize the Disciplines of the spiritual life." During Lent (Feb 18 - Mar 25), HLC will be offering a 6 part series on the Spiritual Disciplines of Prayer, Study, Simplicity, Service, Worship, and Celebration, based on Richard Foster's book, Celebration of Discipline. Each week we'll focus on a different discipline, exploring how it is that they can set us free to love God with all we have. Please join us!"

Pr. Travis Johnson-Esparza

Donations are being thankfully taken for Easter service music and flowers!

Anyone interested in becoming new members of Highland Lutheran Church should contact Pastor Travis or the office@highlandslutheran.comcastbiz.net
New Member Sunday is March 25th, Palm Sunday

Wednesday, 3/07 5:15 pm Call Committee ... Wednesday, 3/07 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal

Elderberries, please mark your calendars for Tuesday, March 13th at 12:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Wendy & Jerry and Ellen & Nicole will be providing lunch. All Elderberries please bring stickers, small toys and other fun things to fill Easter bags for kids attending Easter Service. These bags will replace the Easter egg hunt, so let's make them really special!

Holy Yoga

Holy Yoga is an amazing way to connect with God through movement. Classes are \$10 and all levels are encouraged to attend. Bring your mat and water bottle to the fellowship hall.

Holy Yoga will be the 1st and 3rd Monday evenings each month at 6:45pm.

Coffee Hour Hosting

The 2018 Coffee Hour Hosting schedule is available on the back narthex table. Please check off your name and make note of your date(s). Update the list if you switch with someone. Ushers prepare the coffee; hosting involves setup, clean up and providing a light snack.

The Highlands Bookies

In 2018, the Highlands Bookies are intentionally reading books by authors of different racial, ethnic, and religious backgrounds. On March 16th we are meeting at Marsha Reynold's home for food and conversation. **March: *Wouldn't Take Nothing for My Journey Now* by Maya Angelou**

Highlands Hunters meeting Saturday March 3rd at 6:30 am at the Common Grounds Coffee House

Diaper Drive Competition Coming This MAY

Keep your eyes on the sale ads as Highlands Lutheran and our surrounding community will be participating in a diaper drive competition during May. It will be Northwest Denver vs Northeast Denver in the fight to end diaper need in Denver. All donations will benefit WeeCycle, a Denver based nonprofit which partners with neighborhood facilities, like Bienvenidos Food Bank, to help Colorado families in need. Highlands Lutheran is an official drop off location. Spread the word! Diapers may be dropped off anytime in the large orange box on our front steps. Official competition begins May 1st!

COMING UP AT HIGHLANDS

We will be changing it up a bit this Palm Sunday, March 25th. Instead of an Easter Brunch, we will be having a Palm Sunday "Taco Bar" following our service to celebrate the welcoming of new members. Donations will be taken to cover the cost of ingredients, so all you have to do is show up, fill up your shells with taco goodies, and fellowship with your church family. Hope to see you there as we welcome new loved ones at "the table". So, Hosanna! and Ole!

The Easter egg hunt is happening after all! With the help of the Elderberries, Moms' Group will be hosting an indoor egg hunt immediately after the Easter service. Please contact Sara Milius if you are interested in helping set up the egg hunt on Saturday, March 31 at 2:00pm

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME and RESOURCES

Thank you again and again for your generous contributions to the Bienvenidos Food Bank. Items are blessed each Sunday and delivered to Bienvenidos every week so that they can distribute them to individuals in need.

For March we are collecting peanut butter and canned chili.

Above & Beyond

Looking for ways to pitch in above & beyond your annual pledge? Consider sponsoring a portion, or the full amount of the following project(s):

Nursery Attendant

The nursery program is up and running again for children up to the age of 3! It's a great way to reach out and support our attending younger families. Currently, we are about 1/3 of the way to our goal of funding this program for an entire year. The cost is \$20 a Sunday; sponsor a Sunday, a month, or more! Be sure to list **Nursery Attendant** with your donation. Goal: \$1,040

Please send your Above & Beyond suggestions to Council to be approved and included in this list. The Above & Beyond wish list will be published monthly.

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