

Welcome to the Highlands United Methodist Church

A joyous welcome to you! We are glad each of you has come to worship the Lord. We are a hearing looped church. Ask an usher if you need help with your hearing device.

The 9:09 Bluegrass Service

Welcome

Music "Unclouded Day"
"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

Special Announcements\Joy Time

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross

Music "Morning Has Broken"

Scripture Lesson for the Day Matthew 17:1-9

A Word of Faith

Music "Just a Little Talk with Jesus"

Sending Forth

Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"

Check out our new website...

same address, new look:
www.highlandsmethodist.org
or scan the QR code



Lenten Devotional Booklets ~ We have put together a Lenten Devotional Booklet for the 40 days of Lent, here at HUMC. Randy has written daily devotions and Jennifer has written daily prayers. If you would like a copy of the book, please pick one up in the narthex or on top of the Donation Station at the entrance to the Fellowship Hall. The Season of Lent begins on Wednesday, March 1st.

Ministry Bags

For the month of **February** we're collecting toothpaste, toilet paper, soap, shampoo, deodorant, pasta, canned food, "no medicine" for

Life Challenge

Attendance on February 19: 9:09-107 10:50-62

Happy Anniversary to (February 28) Willard & Gail Garland, Cotton & Bobbie Russell

The Community Table is a weekly meal for everyone in the community. There is **NO cost** and **NO need** to make a reservation. Join us at **6pm each Tuesday** at the Highlands Community Building.

Church Studies & Activities: Everyone is Invited!

Monday

Joy Group for Seniors from 11:30-1:30pm. For more info call Tricia Smith at 828-338-8167.

Disciple Bible Study meets at 7:00pm in the sanctuary.

Tuesday

Men's Breakfast Club will resume on March 7th at the Sports Page from 8:30-9:30am.

Women's Emmaus Group meets at 11:00am in the church parlor.

Women's Bible Study Join us at 7:00pm in the parlor for a study on *Ruth*. Debbie Brock is leading the study.

Home Study Group meets at 7:30pm each Tuesday at the Motz's house. The Lectionary Texts for the week are discussed.

Wednesday

Men's Emmaus Group meets at 12:30pm.

Wednesday Night Activities 6:00pm - Childcare provided

March 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, April 5 ~ Join us for an Adam Hamilton book study on "Creed: What Christians Believe and Why" Led by Fred Motz & Meredith Watson. Books are available in the church office.

Thursday

Joy Group for Seniors from 11:30-1:30pm.

Intercessory Prayer Ministry ~ Join us in the sanctuary at 5:30pm

HUMC Faith & Fellowship Center

February Special Challenge Opportunity

Last month we announced a Special Challenge Opportunity from a generous church family. It is a pleasure to let you know that the challenge for January was met. The challenge is for \$5,000 per month for 10 months. Please thoughtfully consider matching this generous challenge as it will continue for the next nine months. Any contribution is welcome, but the family had not previously pledged, and especially welcomes others who have not pledged to join them.

Every Penny Counts... So far the change from the piggy banks has totaled \$2,202.44, which goes to the Faith & Fellowship Center (Building) Fund. Thank you!

The United Methodist Men meet for breakfast and fellowship the second Saturday of each month at 8:30am at the church. All men are invited to attend.

Check out the Information Stations ~ In the narthex, Fellowship Hall wing, and chapel for information about what's going on in the life of the church. Pick up a flyer for: HUMC News, Church Leadership List, Building Pledge Forms, etc.

Birthday Wishes to (February 26) Andrea Gabbard, Mitzi Rauhers; (February 28) Becky McCaskill; (March 1) Mary Brooks; (March 3) Bob Sutton

Ash Wednesday, March 1st

5:00pm – Ash Wednesday Service in Sanctuary
5:45pm – Church Family Supper
6:15pm – Lenten Study

Youth News

After School ~ ALL youth, grades 6-12 are invited to come after school on Wednesdays to do homework, have a snack, and simply hang out. Dinner is at 5:15, and at 6pm there is a program or study each week ending at 7pm.

Attention All Youth ~ Youth Bible Study on Sundays is in the Youth Room from 10:15-11:15. ALL youth grades 6-12 are invited to this time led by Patsy Wilson and Tim Moseley.

Sunday Youth Fellowship!! The youth meet at 5:30pm for Sunday Youth Fellowship. Bring a friend :)

Children's News

3,4,5 Wednesday Gang Come join this energetic group and invite a friend :) Wednesdays from 6-7pm.

Sunday School ~ Elementary aged children meet each Sunday morning at 9:45am in the children's Sunday School room downstairs with Mr. Luke & Ms. Tricia.

A Nursery is provided Sunday mornings for children birth- through 4 years of age starting at 9:00am downstairs. Please see an usher or greeter for help locating the nursery.

Family Night Supper on Wednesday this week will be a prepared meal. Please make your reservations on the attendance register today or call the officer no later than 4pm on Monday. Menu: choice of soups, cornbread, salad, & dessert

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper!!! Tuesday, February 28th, 5-7PM at The Episcopal Church of the Incarnation. Take outs will be available and all proceeds go to support The Gordon Center for Children. Thank you for your support.

Volunteers Needed ~ We need volunteers to help with the After School Program on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesdays from 2:30 to 5:30 pm +/- . Everything from help picking up the kids at Highlands School in our new van, to snacks, to supervision at the Bascom.

Coming soon!...

A Concert for Bolivia will be presented on March 19 at 5:30 in our fellowship hall. The concert will be a relaxed coffee house. Snacks and finger food will be served. Songs will be performed by a live band, and in addition to an evening of folk, country, comedy, swing band, and jug band music, Bolivian other international music will be presented. A number of familiar faces will be singing and playing on stage including Dr. B himself. Donations requested but not required.

join us for sunday school...

adult classes
nursery
provided

Buck's class meets at Buck's Coffee Shop and is led by Wiley & Sarah Sloan. (9:30am)

Seekers meet in the Conference Room and is led by Steve Bruner (9:45am) Studying The Beatitudes

The 10:10 class meets in the Scout Room and is led by Bob Hood. (10:10am) Studying Adam Hamilton's book "Christianity and World Religions"

Parent Community Class meets at Buck's. The class is group led. Topic varies weekly. (10:00am)

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Eighth Sunday after Epiphany

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal; † Congregation standing
Please enter the sanctuary in a spirit of prayer and meditation
Large print copies of the hymnals and Bible are available in the narthex.

Moments of Informal Worship

Pass the Peace

Church Announcements

Opening Voluntary *Holy Ground* -Geron Davis

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise *“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”* UMH #173

Scripture Reading **Exodus 24:12-18** pew Bible, p.70

Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles' Creed* UMH p.881

Children's Time

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

†Doxology *“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

†Offering Prayer

†Hymn of the Word *“O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair”* UMH #258

Sharing of Our Concerns

(If you would like your prayer request to be added to the prayer list in the bulletin please indicate on the prayer request card.)

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Anthem *I Want to Praise the Lord All My Life* -George Philipp Telemann

Scripture Reading **Matthew 17:1-9** pew Bible p.18

Sermon **The One Who Fulfills**

†Hymn of Faith *“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”* UMH #127

†Dismissal with Blessing *“Let There Be Peace on Earth”*

Postlude

Donation Station

Check out our Donation Station across from the church office.

Here we collect items for various missions including:

Food Pantry - Items most needed: shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dishwashing liquid, canned fruit. Anyone in need, either temporarily or regularly, may visit the Food Pantry on Mondays from 3:30 – 5:30pm. The Pantry is located behind HUMC on 3rd Street.

Homeless Outreach Sample size or hotel shampoos and soap. These are given to area homeless shelters.

Life Challenge - Life Challenge is a Christian Residential Center created to help people with life controlling issues. We support this program by providing gently-used clothing, household items, and small furniture for their Resale Shop in Dillsboro.

Printer Cartridges: Collected for Highlands School. Please bring in a Ziplock bag.

Eye Glasses - Glasses are for multiple mission projects

Can Tabs - collected for the Ronald McDonald House

Box Tops for Education - Collected for the Highlands School

Blank Note Cards - Used for special projects

Altar Flowers for the sanctuary: The Altar Guild of HUMC welcomes the gift of flowers for our 10:50 worship service. Flowers may be given to remember or honor loved ones, to give thanks, or to celebrate a special event, such as a birthday, anniversary, or a baptism. The cost for altar arrangements is \$45. Special order arrangements may cost more. Please fill out one of the forms beneath the calendar, outside Randy's office, and place in Sonja's box across from the church office or call the church office in the week. **Flowers are needed for March 19, and April 23 & 30.**

Join a Foyer Group ~ Small groups that gather monthly in someone's home for appetizers and conversation. This provides time to be with one another in fun and fellowship as Christian friendships grow. Pick up a form at one of the Information Stations, signup on the church website, or on the kiosk.

Church Staff: Rev. Randy Lucas, Senior Pastor; Rev. Jennifer Forrester, Assistant Pastor, Les Scott, Minister of Music; Margie Potts, Director of Children's Ministry; Sonja DeFoor, Office Manager; Keith Crawford, Financial Secretary; Sherry Bruner, Pianist; Marlene & Gary Nix, Sextons; Terri Kennedy, Nursery Attendant; Tommie Jackson, Pastoral Counselor

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The 9:09 Service: Sermon: Randy Lucas; Worship Leader: Tay Bronaugh

The 9:09 Band: Lee Ladensack - Vocals & guitar; Dakota Waddell - Bass; Charles Wood - Banjo; Jim Yoder - Mandolin

10:50 Worship Leaders: Sermon: Randy Lucas; Liturgist: Jennifer Forrester; Minister of Music: Les Scott; Pianist: Patty Campbell; Lay Reader: Sarah Knight; Children's Time: Glenda Bell; Acolyte: Olive Knops; Soloist: Vangie Rich

Serving our 10:50 Service: Ushers: Team 1: Team Leader: Nin Bond; Team Members: Richard Melvin, Ken Knight, Bob Sutton

This is my Son,
the Beloved;
with him
I am well pleased

LOVE God. Offer CHRIST to All.

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