

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

"Do Lord"

"Life's Railway to Heaven"

Special Announcements\Joy Time

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross

Music

"His Eye Is on the Sparrow"

Scripture

Matthew 21:1-11

A Word of Faith

Music

"Standing on the Promises"

Sending Forth

Closing Music

"I'll Fly Away"

Holy Week Services

April 13 ~ Maundy Thursday Service ~ 7:00pm

April 14 ~ Stations of the Cross ~ 12:00pm
Good Friday Service ~ 7:00pm

April 16 ~ Ecumenical Sunrise Service ~ 6:45am
We will gather with other churches
at the Kelsey Hutchinson Park.

Easter Services ~ 9:09 & 10:50am

(provide an **Easter lily** for the 10:50 service

- bring a flower to place on the **Living Cross** -

see forms at the Information Stations for more info or the church website) See Ann Rose to bring something for **breakfast**

Easter Coffee Break ~ 9:45am

Children's Egg Hunt ~ 10:00am

Happy Anniversary to (April 9) Wayne & Nancy LaCoe; (April 11) Rimson & Charlotte Solomon; (April 13) Fred & Kathy Smith; (April 14) Herb & Barbara James; (April 15) Lou & Cindy Batson

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.

Tuesday

Men's Breakfast Club meets 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 *Esther*. 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

April 12 ~ No Activities

Thursday

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

Intercessory Prayer Ministry ~ Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 5:30pm. Beginning April 20th will be focusing on 30 days of prayer. Join us and receive 30 days of prayer for all who attend.

Sunday

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

Candy Donations Needed! ~ Any individually wrapped candy or small toys (able to fit in a plastic Easter egg) will be greatly appreciated in preparation for the annual HUMC kids' Easter egg hunt! Donations can be placed in a bin at the Donation Station marked Easter egg candy. Thank you!

There will be no Family Night Supper or activities on Wednesday.

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.

Attendance on April 2: 9:09-102 10:50-101

New Church Directory in the works!

- The photography is professional and free
- Each individual or family receives a free 8 x 10 photo
- You will receive a printed directory and may access the directory from your smart phone, tablet or computer to stay connected.
- The church receives \$5 for each session which will go to the Faith & Fellowship Center Fund

Please see Susan Hood or Fran Leftwich after the 9:09 and 10:50 services to make your photography appointment. Photography sessions are scheduled for April 27-29, May 18-20, June 22-23, July 13-14. To sign up online use the following link: <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/9qs2x7sy/> You should have a handheld directory by September.

HUMC Faith & Fellowship Center

Fresh-made bread ~ Tommie Jackson (336.655.0665) is making sourdough bread and will gladly take your order. The proceeds of this endeavor will go towards the Building Fund. Please call and place your order today.

Special Challenge Opportunity

Last December, we announced a new challenge gift for the year. The challenge was a big one, \$50,000 over 10 months (\$5,000 per month). Thanks to the generosity of Highlands United Methodist membership the challenge was exceeded in both January and February. It was especially rewarding to see the response to the first effort of the Mainline Giving Committee, the Boston Butt BBQ on Super Bowl Sunday. That effort alone raised \$2,136, a terrific beginning event!

Every Penny Counts... So far the change from the piggy banks has totaled \$2,251.23, which goes to the Faith & Fellowship Center (Building) Fund. Thank you!

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.

Birthday Wishes to (April 9) Herb James; (April 10) Andi Parks; (April 12) Susan Kay; (April 13) Penelope McRae; (April 14) Ann Aultman, Cooper Beck, Austin Forrester, Colleen Holt, Hunter Leffler, Christy Weller; (April 15) Brandon Picklesimer

Ministry Bags

For the month of **April** we're collecting toothpaste, shampoo, household cleaners, laundry soap, toilet paper, hand soap, deodorant, and canola oil for the **Food Pantry**

Altar Flowers for the sanctuary: The Altar Guild of HUMC welcomes the gift of flowers for our 10:50 worship service. 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. **Flowers are needed for April 30, May 21, and July 16, 23, & 30.**

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. Will not meet today.

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

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) They are studying "History of the Christian Church".

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

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Palm Sunday

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 *The Holy City* -Stephen Adam

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise *"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"* UMH #278

Scripture Reading **Philippians 2:5-11** pew Bible, p. 197

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

Children's Time

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone*
-George N. Allen, arr. Dorothy Wells

†Doxology *"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

†Offering Prayer and Prayer for the Ministry Bags

†Hymn of the Word *"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"* UMH #280

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 *Sing Hosanna* -Michael Jothen

Scripture Reading **Matthew 21:1-11** pew Bible, p. 23

Sermon **Palm Waving and Storm Clouds Rising**

†Hymn of Faith *"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"* UMH #298

†Dismissal with Blessing *"Let There Be Peace on Earth"*

Postlude *Triumphal March*
-Theodore Dubois, arr. George Blake

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

CHILDREN'S NEWS

Easter Egg Hunt ~ Join us for the annual HUMC Easter egg hunt on April 16th! Children of all ages will meet downstairs in Miss Allison's preschool room before we begin our egg hunt at 10am!

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.

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: Jerry Moore

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

10:50 Worship Leaders: Sermon: Randy Lucas; Minister of Music: Les Scott; Pianist: Sherry Bruner; Organist: Jane Lineberger; Lay Reader: King Young; Children's Time: Wiley Sloan; Acolyte: Vivian Kennedy; Vocal duet: Carol Shuttleworth & Teresa Williams

Serving our 10:50 Service: Ushers: Team 3: Team Leader: Kenneth Crowe; Team Members: Alan Marsh, Dave Cashion



LOVE God. Offer CHRIST to All.

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