

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 "I'm Goin'a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing" "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Special Announcements\Joy Time

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross

Music "Farther Along"

Scripture John 20:19-31

A Word of Faith

Music "What a Difference You've Made in My Life"

Sending Forth

Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"

New Church Directory is in the works!

Please check the poster in the Fellowship Hall to confirm your April photography appointment.

- 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

To sign up online type the following link in your web browser: <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/9qs2x7sy/> You may also 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.

You should have a handheld directory by September.

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.

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 7:00pm 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 26 ~ Haiti Mission trip program

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. (will meet on Monday this week)

HUMC Faith & Fellowship Center

Some Fun Opportunities to Support HUMC's new Faith and Fellowship Center are coming in May!

Please mark your calendar for these upcoming fundraising events, and stay tuned for more details and information -

May 1st - December 31st - Vacation Rental Program - Please see flyers at the church or check it out on the church website.

May 11th - Supper at Lakeside Restaurant ~ Lakeside will donate 20% of their gross proceeds.

May 17th - 50/50 night at Kilwins ~ Kilwins will donate 50% of the proceeds to support the new F&FC.

May 27th - Sip-N-Shop at J. McLaughlin's ~ J. McLaughlins will donate 15% of their proceeds from 1pm - 4pm.

And please remember that Lifetouch will donate \$5.00 for every church directory photo sitting!

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

Our new Faith and Fellowship Center is quickly taking shape, and thanks to your generosity, our congregation continues to support this valuable addition. As was previously reported, we had a challenge gift from a generous, but anonymous family of \$5,000 per month for 10 months. You exceeded this challenge every month this year! Total contributions for the first quarter were around \$70,750 (including \$40,983 in pledge payments, \$26,857 in contributions, and \$2,910 from the Main Line Giving Committee efforts). Thanks so much for your support.

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!

Birthday Wishes to (April 23) Becky Baker, Wilda Boyette, Carol Shuttleworth; (April 25) Bill Futral; (April 28) Dave Cashion

Family Night Supper on Wednesday this week will be a prepared meal. Please make your reservations on the attendance register today or call the church office no later than 4pm on Monday.

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

Attendance on April 16: 9:09-274 10:50-195

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.

The Altar Flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given by Gwen & Sidney Futch in honor of their parents.

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.

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 May 21, July 16, 23, & 30, and August 20 & 27.

Thank you for all the candy donations for Easter. They were greatly appreciated!

Happy Anniversary to (April 24) Frank & Emily Buskirk; (April 25) Phil & Elaine Carlton; (April 29) Brandon & Leigh Ivy

Youth News

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 :) Will not meet today.

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

Second Sunday of Easter

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 *Jesus Christus, unser Heiland, der den Tod uberwand*
-Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise “Thine Be the Glory” UMH #308

Scripture Reading 1 Peter 1:3-9 pew Bible, p. 232

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed UMH p.881

Children’s Time

Tithes and Offerings
Offertory Andante mosso in D -Ch. H. Rinck

†Doxology “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

†Offering Prayer

†Hymn of the Word “Alleluia, Alleluia” UMH #162

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 Have Not Seen, Yet I Believe -Sally DeFord

Scripture Reading John 20:19-31 pew Bible, p. 115

Sermon To Believe Without Seeing

†Hymn of Faith “The Day of Resurrection” UMH #303

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

Postlude Petite Marche -Gustave Tritant

Donation Station

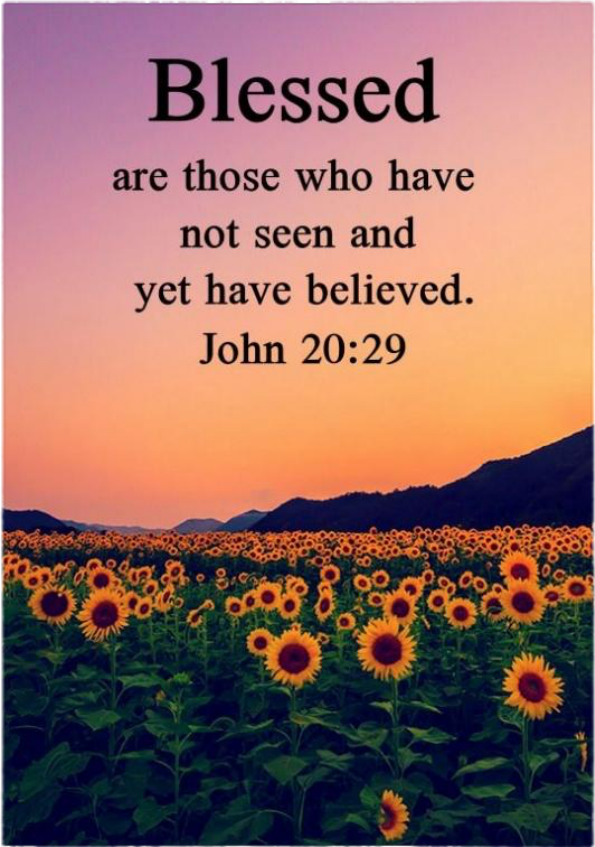
Check out our Donation Station across from the church office.
Here we collect items for various missions including:
Food Pantry - Items most needed: shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dishwashing liquid, canned fruit,. Anyone in need, either temporarily or regularly, 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

Vacation Bible School ~ Sunday, June 25 - Thursday, June 29. More information to come!
After School ~ Wednesday, May 17th will be the last day for After School.
Music Camp ~ Monday, July 31 - Friday, August 4th. Mark your calendar!!
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: Jenny & Robert
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: Ken Knight; Children's Time: Amy Council; Acolyte: Vivian Kennedy
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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