

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 "When We All Get to Heaven"
"Shall We Gather at the River"

Special Announcements\Joy Time

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross

Music "I Surrender All"

Scripture Lesson for the Day Matthew 4:12-23

A Word of Faith

Music "Calling You"

Sending Forth

Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"

A Look Ahead

Sunday, January 22nd ~ Bolivia Pizza Fundraiser ~ 12-8:00pm
To order a pizza; complete a form from one of the Information Stations and leave in the kitchen, or call the church at 526-3376

Sunday, February 5th ~ Scout Sunday

Sunday, February 12th ~ Heart of Highlands; Join us for a dinner, dance, and presentation of King & Queen at 5:30pm. Donations accepted. Menu: steak, potatoes, & salad. Pick up a sign up form at one of the Information Stations, sign up on the website, or kiosk

Wednesday, March 1st ~ Ash Wednesday - Service at 5:00pm with dinner to follow at 5:45pm

Ministry Bags

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

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.

Birthday Wishes to (January 22) Virginia Nix; (January 23) Dotty Travis; (January 24) Julie Jared; (January 25) Sarah Futral, Tim Moseley; (January 26) Laree Benton, Renee Bolt, Georgia Sanders; (January 27) Forrest Baker, Carol Forrester; (January 28) Billy Brooks; (January 29) Jeff Vidmar

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.

HUMC Faith & Fellowship Center

Special Challenge Opportunity

A church family that is very generous, but wishes to remain anonymous has offered a special challenge to Highlands United Methodist Church. They are willing to make a \$5,000 per month pledge over the next 10 months for a total of \$50,000. Our challenge will be to raise at least an additional \$5,000 each month in matching funds. The family is fine with any type contribution, but since this offer is a new pledge, they would prefer the funds be raised from others who have not yet pledged. This is obviously a very generous offer that is from a family that very much cares for our church. The fact that they wish to remain anonymous is very much in the Christian spirit, and we are most thankful for this very generous pledge. I hope each of you will thoughtfully and prayerfully make a matching gift to this generous offer.

Every Penny Counts... So far the change from the piggy banks has totaled \$2,158.13, which goes to the Capital (Land/Building) Fund. Thank you!

Youth News

Haiti Mission Trip ~ We will travel to Cange, Haiti with Jane Chalker from April 7-12th. Part of what we will do this year will be to pack meals and deliver them to families while we are there. If you are interested in going, please talk to Jennifer by **January 31st**. The total student cost of the trip is \$450. We will be using funds raised at the Pumpkin Patch to offset the cost.

Barnabas Weekend ~ Barnabas Weekend is a camp designed for persons with developmental disabilities and those volunteers committed to making this weekend fun filled. Volunteers serve as companions for the weekend and enjoy activities alongside the campers. Please see Jennifer for sign-up information by **February 14!** If you have any questions, or would like to know more about the weekend please talk to Jennifer or some of those who went last year.

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 5pm for Sunday Youth Fellowship. Bring a friend :) Movie night tonight!

Family Night Supper on Wednesday this week is a prepared meal. Please make your reservations today on the attendance register or call the office by 4pm on Monday. Menu:lemon chicken, vegetable pasta, salad, & dessert

Happy Anniversary to (January 24) Gus & Jan Lard

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.

Check out our new website...

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



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 Mountain Fresh from 8:30-9:30am.

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

Women's Bible Study Taking a winter break. Meeting for prayer and planning to be announced.

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

Thursday

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

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

Sunday

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

Children's News

3,4,5 Wednesday Gang Come join this energetic group and invite a friend :) Wednesdays from 6-7pm. Join us for a Christmas Party on December 14th!

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.

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.

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

Third 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 *Come, Thou Fount* arr. Glenn Crosthwait

Opening Prayer

† Hymn of Praise *“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”* UMH #344

Scripture Reading **Isaiah 9:1-4** pew Bible, p.638

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

Children's Time

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *Moderato in D* -S.H. Bodenschatz

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

† Offering Prayer

† Hymn of the Word *“Jesus Calls Us”* UMH #398

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 *Lord, Here I Am* -Fannie Crosby

Scripture Reading **Matthew 4:12-23** pew Bible p.3

Sermon **Call and Response**

† Hymn of Faith *“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”* TFWS #2129

† Dismissal with Blessing *“God Be with You 'Till We Meet Again”*

Postlude *Arioso (Thanks Be to God)* -G.F. Handel

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

Attendance on January 15: 9:09-120 10:50-82

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 January 22, February 26, and March 19.**

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

Parsonage (828) 526-2465 ~ e-mail addresses: Church: highlandsumc@icloud.com, Randy: randyhumc@icloud.com, Les: les.h.scott@gmail.com, Jennifer: humcjennifer@gmail.com, Keith Crawford: finsec13@gmail.com CCLI # 1455665

The 9:09 Service: Sermon: Randy Lucas; Worship Leader: Gary Clark

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: Sherry Bruner; Organist: Jane Lineberger; Lay Reader: Jason Moore; Children's Time: Glenda Bell; Acolyte: Vivian Kennedy

Serving our 10:50 Service: Ushers: Team 4: Team Leader: Bill Edwards; Team Members: Naomi Chastain, Hammond Rauers



LOVE God. Offer CHRIST to All.

Highlands United Methodist Church
Post Office Box 1959
Highlands, North Carolina 28741
website: www.highlandsmethodist.org
(828) 526-3376
January 22, 2017

Randy Lucas, Senior Pastor
Jennifer Forrester, Assistant Pastor
Les Scott, Minister of Music
Randy Harry, District Superintendent
Paul Leeland, Bishop