

Welcome to the Highlands United Methodist Church

We welcome you to our first worship service in our new Faith & Fellowship Center. We are glad each of you has come to worship the Lord.

One Church Worship Service

Welcome		
Service of Consecration		
Opening Songs	<i>“Give Me That Old Time Religion”</i> <i>"I Love to Tell the Story"</i>	
Announcements	Tay Bronaugh	
Words of Celebration and Thanksgiving		
Sharing Our Concerns at the Cross	Gary Clark	
Morning Prayer	Craig Eister	
Offerings		
Offering Prayer	Jerry Moore	
Anthem	<i>I Thank You Jesus</i>	-Kenneth Morris
Scripture	Exodus 17:1-7	
Words of Faith	Water from Rocks	
Holy Communion		
Closing Song	<i>“In the Garden”</i>	
Blessing		
Dismissal	<i>“I'll Fly Away”</i>	

A Prayer of Blessing
Wayside Chapel Altar

O God we give you thanks for quiet spaces that call and beckon us to prayer. We pray your blessings upon this beautiful Altar, on the hands that have crafted it, and upon those who have provided this gift to our Faith and Fellowship Center. May it be for all who pass by, an invitation to prayer, to moments of contemplation and reflection, to quiet intimacy with you. And may the inlayed cross on this marble top, from The Church of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem, be a continual reminder of God’s love for everyone poured out in Jesus Christ through the Cross of Calvary. Make this space sacred with your abiding presence, we pray. Hear the prayers that will be offered here, and hold those near who will pray. We ask your blessings upon this Altar of prayer, and upon this Wayside Chapel, to the glory of your name. Amen.

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 7pm in the church parlor and feel God's love through study and friendship. We meet weekly, and generally our studies are 5-6 weeks long. We use our Bibles and study books to explore our Christian beliefs. 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 October 4 & 11 ~ Lectionary Bible Study led by Jennifer Forrester & Fred Motz
Thursday	Joy Group for Seniors from 11:30-1:30pm. Circle of Prayer Ministry ~ Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 5:30pm.
Sunday	Disciple Bible Study meets at 7:00pm in the sanctuary.

Empty Bowls ~ Help end hunger in the Highlands Community, today at the First Presbyterian Church from 11:30-1:30. Tickets \$20; includes soup bowl made by local potters, delicious soups provided by local chefs, drink & dessert. All proceeds support the Highlands Food Pantry.

All Male Beauty Pageant, Monday, October 16th at 8:00pm at the Highlands Playhouse. Tickets are available for a \$100 donation and are tax deductible. Tickets are available at the church office or call Dr. John for more information.

Food Pantry Needs~ warm outer wear: coats, scarves, hats, gloves, blankets, socks, and small space heaters. Please place items in the Food Pantry bin located in the Donation Station across from the office.

Family Night Supper on Wednesday this week will be a covered dish meal. Please bring a side dish or dessert. The meat will be provided by the church.

Adult Classes
Nursery provided

Join us for Sunday School...

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 book of Hebrews.
Parent Community Class meets at Buck’s. The class is group led. Topic varies weekly. (10:00am)
The 10:10 class meets in the Scout Room and is led by Bob Hood. (10:10am) They are studying "Desperate Women of the Bible".

The Pumpkins are Coming

Wednesday, October 4th the pumpkins will arrive!!

Join us for a Pumpkin Festival on Saturday,
October 7th from 11am-3pm

Bake sale, face painting, pumpkin carving, hot apple cider, hot dog/bratwurst lunch. Donated baked goods will be much appreciated.

If you would like to volunteer to sell pumpkins during the month of October, please sign up on the big pumpkin on Jennifer’s office door.

Come out and support the youth!



Youth News

Monthly Mission Trips ~ Our next monthly mission trip to Asheville will be on October 15th. We will go to Haywood Street congregation & help serve.

Youth Sunday School!!!! from 10:00-10:45. Come Join us!!!!

The youth will meet each Wednesday night from 6-7 during the Fall semester. Everyone’s invited to come to dinner before youth at 5:15!

Children's News

The Gordon Center’s After School Program runs Monday - Wednesday. Stop by the church for a registration form.

3,4,5 Wednesday Gang ~ 3rd, 4th, & 5th Gang meet on Wednesday nights after supper from 6-7pm and are taught by Amanda Wasco. Bring your 3rd-5th graders for dynamic, biblically-based activities and instruction!

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.

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.

Attendance on September 24: 9:09-204 10:50-116

Happy Anniversary to (October 1) Tee & Lea Fulk; (October 2) Neal & Marsha Little

Our Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development will meet Thursday, October 12th at 5pm to prayerfully consider our 2018 HUMC Leadership. Members of the committee include Patti Moschouris, Geri Crowe, Wilma Gordon, Donnie Edwards, Virginia Nix, Tom Brock, Sandy Carlton, Teresa Williams, Gay Kattel, Pastors Randy and Jennifer.

A Service for the Consecration of the Faith and Fellowship Center

Senior Pastor - Sisters and brothers in Christ, this is a day of rejoicing. We have come together to worship God together, to celebrate and to consecrate the Faith and Fellowship Center of Highlands United Methodist Church, dedicating it to the upbuilding of God's Kingdom on earth.

Assistant Pastor - Today we stand in appreciation for all who have come before us, even as we are mindful of our obligation to those who will come after us. Today is a day when we celebrate the vision, work and contributions of many hands. We gather as one people in service to Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Lay Leader - And as we offer this Faith and Fellowship Center to the service of God's Kingdom, we seek God's blessings upon this facility, and this community of faith. May God enliven and make faithful the worship within these walls. May God empower the authentic proclamation, and enable the right teaching of God's Word. May God bless the bounty of food we will enjoy together in this space, and enrich the fellowship that will be shared here.

Trustee Chairperson - We present this building to be consecrated to the glory of Almighty God, and for service in the preparation of God's people for discipleship.

Senior Pastor - Dear friends, it is with joy that we gather to consecrate this building. But the consecration of this building is vain without the consecration of those whose gifts it represents.

Let us give ourselves anew to the service of God:

our minds, that they may be renewed after the image of Christ;
our bodies, that they may be fit temples for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit;
and our labors, that they may be according to God's will,
and that their fruit may glorify God's name, and serve God's eternal purposes.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit
we consecrate this building.

For the worship of God and in service to God's Kingdom,
we consecrate this building.

In service to the love of God and neighbor,
we consecrate this building.

To the enrichment of all who shall come here seeking knowledge and spiritual growth,
we consecrate this building.

In service to Christ's mission in the world, in pursuit of Christ-likeness, personal holiness and faithful discipleship,
we consecrate this building.

As a vehicle through which to love God, and offer Christ to all,
we consecrate this building;
and we consecrate ourselves anew to serve God, our neighbor and this community, to the glory of God! Amen.

HUMC FAITH & FELLOWSHIP CENTER NEWS

Isn't it wonderful that, after all these years of planning, fundraising and building that Highlands United Methodist is worshipping in this wonderful new Faith and Fellowship Center? It will serve our needs, and those of the Highlands community, for many years to come.

In the years to come though, perhaps the most outstanding remembrance will be that everyone in the church contributed in some way to make the facility such a success.

May God bless this new building and its contribution to the ministry of Highlands United Methodist Church.

Now - December 31st - Vacation Rental Program

Please see flyers at the church or check it out on the church website.

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.

Join us for A Fun Filled Auction

Saturday, October 14th from 5-7pm at Scudder's Gallery

Check out the Church's Facebook page
and the Donation Station

across from the office to pre-bid on items.

All proceeds will benefit the new
Faith & Fellowship Center.

Membership Class - Pastor Randy will be conducting a Membership Class this Thursday, October 5th at 7pm in the Faith and Fellowship Center. This is for everyone interested in Professing, Associate and Affiliate Membership.

Birthday Wishes to (October 1) Leo Montgomery, Hollie Steil; (October 2) Robbie Forrester; (October 3) Lou Batson, James View; (October 4) Charlotte Solomon; (October 5) Ethan Reker; (October 6) Sally Bernstein, Almirena Codespoti, Kristin Whatley; (October 7) Ken Knight

Thank you for your generous support of the relief efforts through the United Methodist Committee on Relief in response to the recent hurricane devastation. Over \$17,000 has been raised at HUMC. If you wish to donate to the relief efforts through UMCOR, please make the check out to HUMC, and place UMCOR on the memo line. Thank you.

Church Staff: Rev. Randy Lucas, Senior Pastor; Rev. Jennifer Forrester, Assistant Pastor, Les Scott, Minister of Music; Sonja DeFoor, Office Manager; Keith Crawford, Financial Secretary; Sherry Bruner, Pianist; Marlene & Gary Nix, Sextons; Ann Rose, Food Services Director; Terri Kennedy, Nursery Attendant; Rev. Tommie Jackson, Pastoral Psychotherapist

Worship Service Leaders: Sermon: Jennifer Forrester; Liturgist: Randy Lucas; Ushers: Nin Bond, Richard Melvin, Ken Knight, Bob Sutton, Tom Stribling, Rimson Solomon, Hammond Rauers, Naomi Chastain

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

WATER FROM ROCKS



LOVE God. Offer CHRIST to All.

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