

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 “Just a Little Talk with Jesus”
“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 “I Surrender All”

Scripture Matthew 25:14-30

A Word of Faith

Music “Just Over in the Gloryland”

Sending Forth

Closing Music “I’ll Fly Away”

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
Parent Community Class meets at Buck’s. The class is group led. Topic varies weekly. (10:00am)
Pastor Randy's class meets in the Sanctuary Chapel (10:00am)
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".

Summer Eucharist

Through the month of August, we are offering a weekly 30 minute service of Holy Communion each Sunday morning at 8:30am in the sanctuary.

Attendance on June 18: 8:30-15 9:09-231 10:50-157

Pastor Randy’s summer Sunday School Class, focusing on selected sermons of John Wesley meets in the Sanctuary Chapel at 10:00am.

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.

We welcome Jim Bruner to worship this morning. Dr. Jim Bruner has served as Senior Pastor to several churches in Georgia, Indiana, and Washington D.C. He recently retired as Vice President & Special Assistant to the President of Mercer University. Dr. Bruner has served as a Trustee of Mercer University and as an Executive Member of the SBC & CBF. He is a graduate of Sanford University, Southern Seminary, and received his doctorate from Mercer University. He splits his time between homes in the Highland area and Macon, Georgia.

HUMC Faith & Fellowship Center

Some Fun Opportunities to Support HUMC’s new F&FC!

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

August 28th - Golf Tournament ~ More information to come.

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

Thanks to our generous church family, last month we again more than matched the challenge of \$5,000 per month for the new Faith and Fellowship Center. In April, contributions and pledge payments totaled \$45,229! And of that amount, over \$43,000 were **new** contributions. Thanks so much to our church family for moving us closer to the completion of this new addition.

Come One Come All

Join us for "Lunch on the Lawn" 4 Saturdays in July, (the 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th). This will be a fundraiser for our new Faith & Fellowship Center. So, join us from 11:30 to 1:30 for lunch!! See you there!

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 *When God Doesn’t Fix It* (learning to walk in God’s plans instead of our own) by Laura Story is a 5-week study and will be led by Sarah Mueller.
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
June 28 ~ Vacation Bible School

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.

Last Two Days to Have Your Photo Taken!!

- 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
- 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 **July 13-14**.
You should have a handheld directory by September.

There will be no Family Night Supper on Wednesday this week as our children enjoy a week of Vacation Bible School.

The Church in the Wildwood services are on Sundays at 7:00pm. It runs through Labor Day. It is an old-fashioned hymn-sing, casual dress.

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.

Ruminations and Reflections - Pastor Randy sends out a daily email devotion. If you’d like to receive these daily **“Ruminations and Reflections”**, please email your request to randyhumc@icloud.com.

Birthday Wishes to (June 25) Mary-Helen Kolousek; (June 27) Evelyn Hall; (June 28) Ashlynn Wilson; (June 30) Ryan Bryson, Matt Kolousek, Helen McGaughy

Ministry Bags

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

Happy Anniversary to (June 27) Clarence & Harriet Bauknight; (June 28) John & Anne Tate

The altar flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given in loving memory of Irene & Lawton James and in honor of Geri Crowe.

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Sunday School!!!! with Richard Read, the NEW Director of Youth Ministry, from 10:00-10:45. Come Join us!!!!

Girls' Breakfast - ALL youth girls are invited to breakfast at Sports Page with Jennifer the month of June. We meet from 8:30-9:30 and have a short devotion, breakfast, and a time of fellowship. Invite a friend!!

Boys' breakfast, with our NEW Director of Children and Youth Ministries, Richard Read. The boys meet at Sports Page at 8:30 on Thursdays throughout the summer. Invite a friend!

Summer Sunday Nights!!! The youth will meet each Sunday night throughout the summer from 5:30-7pm. We hope you will join us as we look at Sunday nights in a fresh, new way!!

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

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Third Sunday after Pentecost

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 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty arr. Shirley Brendinger

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise “God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens” UMH #150

Scripture Reading Psalm 65 pew Bible, p.527

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed UMH p.881

Children’s Time

Tithes and Offerings
Offertory I Surrender All arr. Stan Pethel

†Doxology “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

†Offering Prayer

†Hymn of the Word “Lord, Be Glorified” TFWS #2150

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 Lean on Me arr. Pepper Choplin

Scripture Reading Matthew 25:14-30 pew Bible, p.28

Sermon Limited?

†Hymn of Faith “Take My Life, and Let It Be-” UMH #399

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

Postlude Let There Be Praise -Dick & Melody Tunney

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

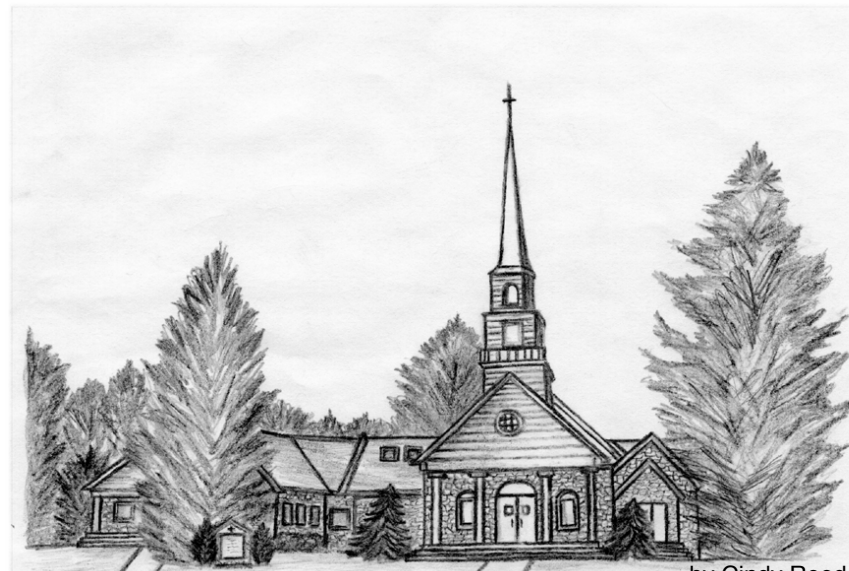
children's News

Vacation Bible School ~ Sunday, June 25 - Thursday, June 29.
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.
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; Richard Read, Director of Children & Youth Ministries; 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; Eric Turner, Duke Summer Ministry Intern

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The 9:09 Service: Sermon: Jim Bruner; Worship Leader: Robert & Jenny; Greeters: Terri & Vivian Kennedy; Technologist: Jan Potts
The 9:09 Band: Lee Ladensack - Vocals & guitar; Dakota Waddell - Bass; Charles Wood - Banjo; Jim Yoder - Mandolin
10:50 Worship Leaders: Sermon: Jim Bruner; Minister of Music: Les Scott; Pianist: Sherry Bruner; Organist: Jane Lineberger; Lay Reader: Paula Gordon; Children's Time: Amy Council; Acolyte: Vivian Kennedy
Serving our 10:50 Service: Ushers: Team 1: Team Leader: Nin Bond; Team Members: Richard Melvin, Ken Knight, Bob Sutton



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