

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.

HUMC Faith & Fellowship Center News

Thanks to our entire congregation for your continuing support of the new Faith and Fellowship Building. Construction is on schedule, and last month was a very good fundraising month. You may remember that back in January, we had a very generous family pledge \$5,000 per month for ten months if that amount could be matched each month. It's a pleasure to tell you our congregation again more than matched that amount in June, and has done that for every month since the challenge began! Thanks so much for your continuing support to this needed facility. We plan to be worshipping there soon. Come One Come All!

Golf Tournament

August 28th at the Cullasaja Country Club
Proceeds to benefit the F&FC.

Entry Fee: \$200 per player/\$800 per team
Format: 4 Man Captain's Choice

The field is limited to the first 22 teams registered.

Your entry fee includes a box lunch, on course beverages, and a buffet dinner in the beautiful clubhouse. In addition, every entrant will receive a complimentary Bobby Grace putter.

Franklin Ford is sponsoring a Hole-In-One Competition with prizes on all par threes and one hole featuring a 2017 Ford Escape.

In addition there will be Closest to the Pin and Longest Drive Prizes.

Mulligans and tee busters will be available for purchase at registration.

Schedule of Play

11:00am ~ Registration & Practice

12:00pm ~ Shotgun Start & Box Lunch

6:00pm ~ Buffet Dinner

You may pick up a registration form at the Information Stations or register on the website.

Now - December 31st - Vacation Rental Program

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

Lifetouch Directory Photos

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.

Lunch on the Lawn

Join us on 4 Saturdays in July, the 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th, from 11:30 to 1:30 for lunch!! See you there!

Author's Tea Fundraiser a Great Success

Many thanks to all who worked on the Author's Tea. So far we have cleared \$4,390.81 with proceeds going to our new F&FC. Many people have already asked to participate next year in our new Faith & Fellowship Hall.

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 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".

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

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.

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.

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.

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 is 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

July 5 ~ Fellowship Night

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.

WE NEED HOMEMADE COOKIES AND BOTTLED WATER!!!!

We will serve free cookies and water on the front lawn on July 4th from 2-5pm!!! If you would like donate water or cookies please bring them by the church or you can help pass them out on the 4th. Please see Jennifer or Christine Murphy, HUMC Ministries Team Chairperson if you have any questions.

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 (July 5) Janet Avery; (July 6) Jerry Barton, Jessica Carter; (July 8) Doug Campbell

Ministry Bags

For the month of **July** we're collecting school supplies: paper, pencils, erasers, pens, glue sticks, markers, folders with pockets, dividers, binders, USB drives, backpacks, tissue, & hand sanitizer for the **Highlands School**

Happy Anniversary to (July 4) Ty & Betty Ann Emmert; (July 5) Frank & Kristin Edwards; (July 6) Tom & Joyce Stribling; (July 8) Mike & Sheri McGaughy

Attendance on June 25: 8:30-15 9:09-200 10:50-136

YOUTH NEWS

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

Boys' breakfast, with our 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

Fourth 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 *The Navy Hymn* arr. Barbara B. Kinyon

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise *"America"* UMH #697

Scripture Reading *Psalm 133* pew Bible, p.575

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

Children's Time

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *The National Hymn* arr. Barbara B. Kinyon

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

†Offering Prayer

†Hymn of the Word *"All Are Welcome"*

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 *America the Beautiful* arr. Dale Jergenson

Scripture Reading *Matthew 10:40-42* pew Bible, p.11

Sermon *The Power of Welcome*

†Hymn of Faith *"God Bless America"*

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

Postlude *God Bless the U.S.A.* -Lee Greenwood

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

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.

The rose on the altar in the sanctuary this morning is given in honor of the birth of Aria Brooks Sabouri, daughter of Ken & Kristen Sabouri, granddaughter of Wayne & Nancy LaCoe, and great granddaughter of Wilma Gordon, who was born on June 26th.

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 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: Ken Knight; Children's Time: Randy Lucas; Acolyte: Madison Jolly

Serving our 10:50 Service: Ushers: Team 2: Team Leader: Griffin Bell; Team Members: Bill Reynolds, Frank Buskirk, Tom Stribling, Kenny Youmans, King Young, & Oliver Oxford

*Whoever welcomes you welcomes me,
and whoever welcomes me*

**WELCOMES THE ONE
WHO SENT ME.**

Matthew 10:40

LOVE **God.** Offer **CHRIST** to All.

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