

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 "Keep on the Sunnyside"
"Put Your Hand in the Hand"

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 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

A Word of Faith

Communion

Music "Here I Am, Lord"

Sending Forth

Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"

Last Two Days to Have Your Photo Taken!! July 13-14

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.

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.

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.

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 altar flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given in honor of the anniversaries of Dana & Paula Gordon (1983) and Brandon & Loretta Picklesimer (1967) by the Brandon Picklesimer family.

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.

Happy Anniversary to (July 9) Dana & Paula Gordon, Brandon & Loretta Picklesimer; (July 12) Tay & Tamara Bronaugh

Birthday Wishes to (July 14) Bailey Baker

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".

YOUTH NEWS

M25 Mission Camp will be from Sunday, July 16th through Saturday, July 22nd. All forms and payment (\$225) for the trip MUST be submitted to Richard by WEDNESDAY, July 12th in order to attend.

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!

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 12 ~ Program on Happenings in Highlands including the Eclipse

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.

HUMC Faith & Fellowship Center News

Check out the video of the new F&FC on the church website and Facebook page.

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 worshiping there soon. Come One Come All!

Golf Outing

August 28th at the Cullasaja Country Club with 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.

Hammond & Mitzi Rauers are 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 Saturday, July 15th, 22nd, and 29th, from 11:30 to 2:30 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 \$4,479.22 with proceeds going to our new F&FC. Many people have already asked to participate next year in our new Faith & Fellowship Hall.

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.

Church Membership ~ If you are interested in exploring church membership at HUMC, whether Full, Associate or Affiliate Membership, please let Pastor Randy know by Sunday, July 23rd.

There will be a meeting of the **Committee on Nominations and Lay Leadership** on Thursday, July 20th at 5pm.

Attendance on July 2: 8:30-14 9:09-347 10:50-168

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Fifth 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 My Hope is Built on Nothing Less -Camil van Hulse

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise “For the Beauty of the Earth” UMH #92

Scripture Reading Deuteronomy 8:7-18 pew Bible, p.165

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed UMH p.881

Children’s Time

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory The Peace of God -Gilbert M. Martin

†Doxology “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

†Offering Prayer and Prayer for the Ministry Bags

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 Come, All Who Thirst -Luigi Cherubini

Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 pew Bible, p.183

Sermon Thank You For This Gift

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II UMH p. 12

†Hymn of Faith “Go Forth for God” UMH #670

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

Postlude America the Beautiful -Samuel A. Ward

Dear Church Family,

Sunday, August 6th is our congregation's Commitment Sunday. I encourage you to plan now to attend the two important events: Sunday morning worship on the 6th and the Celebration Brunch on Sunday, August 20th offered between the 9:09 service and the 10:50 service. We will serve a tempting selection of typical brunch offerings and afford everyone the opportunity to mix and mingle with both Congregations.

This spiritual growth oriented process is designed to enrich our Biblical understanding of Christian stewardship. Rather than focusing on the need of the church to receive, the experience concentrates on the need of the giver to give for his or her own spiritual development.

You will receive a “2018 Good Faith Estimate of Giving Card” in the mail soon that you’ll be asked to complete and return on August 6th. As you prayerfully consider your response to financial stewardship as an act of worship, I encourage you to make every effort to join us for Commitment Sunday.

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, August 6th for worship and at the Celebration Brunch on Sunday, August 20th.

Faithfully,

Ed Mawyer, Finance Committee Chair

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.

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

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: Jennifer Forrester; Worship Leader: Christine Murphy; Greeter: Judy Smart; Technologist: Patti Moschouris

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

10:50 Worship Leaders: Sermon: Jennifer Forrester; Liturgist: Randy Lucas; Communion Assistant: Barbara Newton; Minister of Music: Les Scott; Pianist: Sherry Bruner; Organist: Jane Lineberger; Lay Reader: Richard Melvin; Children's Time: Wiley Sloan; Acolyte: Olive Knops

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



"For it is in giving that we receive."
-Francis of Assisi

LOVE God. Offer CHRIST to All.

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