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

"I'm Goin'a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing"
"When We All Get to Heaven"

Special Announcements\Joy Time

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross

Music

"Life's Railway to Heaven"

Scripture

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

A Word of Faith

Music

"I Love to Tell the Story"

Sending Forth

Closing Music

"I'll Fly Away"



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

Boys' breakfast, with 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 will meet each Wednesday night from 6-7 throughout the summer. Everyone's invited to come to dinner before youth at 5:15!

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.

Church Outing ~ The youth group will be hosting a church outing to go tubing at Deep Creek in Bryson City after church today. It is open to anyone in the church who would like to attend. Remember to bring a sack lunch and \$5 to cover the cost of your tube.

Membership Class - Pastor Randy is offering a membership class this Tuesday, August 1st at 5:00pm in the fellowship hall. Everyone interested in exploring church membership at HUMC is invited to attend.

Happy Anniversary to (July 30) Dabs & Jan Potts; (August 1) Jim & Sheila Bryson, Jim & Cecil Hines; (August 3) Robert & Jodie Zoellner

ndult 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".



Music Camp ~ Monday, July 31 - Friday, August 4th, 9-3:00pm

3,4,5 Wednesday Gang ~ 3rd, 4th, & 5th Gang will be resuming weekly meetings on Wednesday nights after supper beginning August 9th, from 6-7pm, and will be 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.

Attendance on July 23: 8:30-22 9:09-225 10:50-141

This morning we celebrate the Baptism of Ellison Grace Becker (born 5/17/'16), sister of Sloane Elizabeth (born 12/19/'14) who was baptized at HUMC July 26, 2015, and the daughter of Christopher and Catherine Becker and granddaughter of Mary Beth Becker. The Becker's address is 1890 Broadway Apt. 302 San Fransisco, California, 94109.

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

August 2 ~ Art Program with Lila McAlpin

Thursday

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

Circle of Prayer Ministry \sim 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.

For hole sponsorships, please contact Marjorie Crowe or Keith Crawford.

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 Bobby Grace putter, compliments of Bobby Grace putters and Halo Window & Door Co.

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

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

12:00pm ~ Shotgun Start & Box Lunch

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.

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 covered dish meal. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. The meat will be provided by the church.

Birthday Wishes to (August 1) Jason Moore; (August 3) Dana Gordon; (August 5) Jan Lard, Patsy Wilson

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**.

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.

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service Eighth 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 What a Friend We Have in Jesus arr. Mary McDonald

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise

"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

UMH #540

Scripture Reading

Matthew 18:1-4

pew Bible, p.19

Children's Time

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Amazing Grace

arr. Cindy Berry

†Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

†Offering Prayer

†Hymn of the Word

"Bring Forth the Kingdom"

TFWS #2190

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 Praver

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, S

Come, Sing Unto the Lord

-Henry Purcell

Scripture Reading

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

pew Bible, p.14

Sermon

God Is Up to Something

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT II

UMH p. 39

†Baptism Hymn "Child of Blessing, Child of Promise"

UMH #611

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

Postlude Fill My Cup Lord arr. S. Bruner

Dear Friends.

Next Sunday, August 6th, is Commitment Sunday at HUMC. Hopefully you received your "2018 Good Faith Estimate of Giving" Card in the mail this week. After prayerfully considering your systematic approach to giving in 2018 in support of the life and ministry of HUMC, please complete your card, place it in the envelope provided and bring it to either our 9:09 or 10:50 worship next Sunday.

It will be a great help in assessing our teaching ministry around the biblical model of tithing if you will indicate whether you are making a commitment to tithing, or to proportional giving with the goal of tithing. Also, providing your good faith estimate of planned giving in 2018 will be helpful to our church leadership tasked with envisioning, proposing and adopting our 2018 HUMC Operating Budget. Commitment Sunday responses will totaled and then shared during our Celebration Sunday Brunch on August 20th, at 10:00am.

Thank you for your support of, and your faithful response to, this year's Stewardship Campaign at HUMC. Highland United Methodist Church is a vital, growing and fruitful congregation. I'm grateful for all the many ways I continue to see Christ at work in, and through this community of faith. May our aim and heartfelt desire be, in this endeavor, and in all things, to bring glory and honor to God. Blessings,

Pastor Randy

A Note from Jeanie Edwards-Bozeman... will be having a class on August 11th at 6:00. It will be an open studio, meaning you can paint whatever you like with as much or little help as you like from me. The cost is \$35 and all the proceeds will be going to my travel expenses for my trip to Haiti in September. Everything I make above and beyond my travel will go directly towards buying art supplies to take with me. I will be teaching classes to the women and children of Cange. If you can't attend class and would like to make a donation I would greatly appreciate that as well. I also have several finger paintings for sale, and all the proceeds from them will also go towards travel & supplies.

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.

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: Randy Lucas; Worship Leader: TBA; Greeter: Christine Murphy; Technologist: Mike Murphy

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: Patti Moschouris; Children's Time: Vangie Rich; Acolyte: Madison Jolly

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





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