

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 "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder"
"Shall We Gather at the River"

Special Announcements\Joy Time

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross

Music "Love Lifted Me"

Scripture Mark 1:4-11

A Word of Faith

Remembering our Baptism

Music "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

Sending Forth

Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"

A Look Ahead

Monday, January 15th ~ Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. holiday - office closed

Sunday, January 21st ~ Bolivia Pizza Fundraiser ~ 12-8:00pm

To order a pizza; pick up a form from one of the Information Stations, sign up on the kiosk, or on the church website

Sunday, January 21st ~ The Youth go to Haywood Street to be in ministry with the homeless. Meet at 2:45pm at the church.

Saturday, February 3rd ~ Leadership Retreat ~ 10:00am - 4:00pm

Sunday, February 11th ~ Heart of Highlands; dinner, dance, and presentation of King & Queen at 5:30pm

Wednesday, February 14th ~ Ash Wednesday - Supper at 5:15pm, Ash Wednesday Service following at 6:00pm, and a Lenten study after the service in the Faith and Fellowship Center

Sunday, March 25th ~ Palm Sunday

March 29th ~ Maundy Thursday Service

March 30th ~ 12:00 noon - Stations of the Cross Walk
Good Friday Service

Sunday, April 1st ~ Easter Sunday

6:45am - Ecumenical Sunrise Service

We will gather with other churches at the Kelsey Hutchinson Park.

9:09 & 10:50am – Worship Services

- provide an Easter Lily for the 10:50 service

- bring a flower to place on the Living Cross

9:45am – Easter Coffee Break

10:00am – Easter Egg Hunt

Set up one-time or automatic giving for your tithes and offerings on the website: www.highlandsmethodist.org

You can also give on the kiosk in the Faith & Fellowship Center

Giving

Faith & Fellowship Center

Projected cost \$3,500,000

As of January 9th

Pledges to date 1,623,957

Plate donations 1,063,552

(in addition to pledges)

Total 2,687,509

Remaining financial need

\$812,491

YTD Operating

Gifts \$11,025

Expenses 18,541

Financials for
January 1st - 9th

Restricted Funds

Church Family Supper 80

Food Pantry 50



Like us on Facebook ~ Can't make it to church on a Sunday? You can now watch our worship services each Sunday on Facebook. Look for the latest happenings and church news.



Scan the QR Code on your smart phone to go to the church website
Find out about upcoming events, ministries, how to serve and much more.

To receive Pastor Randy's daily email devotions, "Ruminations and Reflections", please email him at randyhumc@icloud.com

To receive church email updates and news
please email Sonja at highlandsumc@icloud.com

Sunday School for All

Adult Sunday School Classes

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)



Parent Community Class meets at Buck's. The class is group led. (10:00am)

The 10:10 class meets in the Scout Room and is led by Bob Hood. (10:10am)

Children's Sunday School meet in the Preschool Room across from the nursery at 10:00am.

Youth Sunday School! from 10:00-10:45am in the Youth Room. Come Join us!!!!

Looking for a way to

Volunteer?

- Read scripture at the 10:50 service
- Be a Greeter at the 9:09 service or an Usher at the 10:50 service
- Serve Communion
- Work in the Food Pantry
- Be on a Wednesday Night Supper cooking team
- Fold bulletins on Friday morning
- Cook or help serve at the Community Table
- Deliver Sunday altar flowers to homebound persons

Contact the church office for more information at 526-3376

Children's After School Program

Monday - Wednesday from 3:00-5:00pm

HUMC Youth Center

Need a place to hang out after school? Youth 6th - 12th grades. Adult supervised, homework help, snacks, friends, movies, video games, and fun. Open school days till 5:00pm

Ministry Bags

Each month we collect items for different ministries.

For the month of January we're collecting: dog leashes, dry & can dog & cat food, dog collars, and dog & cat pet toys for the Humane Society.

2018 Church Leadership Retreat

A Church Leadership Retreat has been scheduled for Saturday, February 3rd from 10am - 4pm at the Pinnacle Retreat Center in Clayton, Georgia. This planning retreat is designed for all members of the Church Council, SPRC, Finance, Trustees, Ministries Team, and anyone else interested in joining in this time of strategic planning and visioning together. Since the Retreat Center will be providing our lunch, we need to supply them with an accurate number of attendees. If you plan to attend, please contact Sonja in the church office at (828) 526-3376, or at highlandsumc@icloud.com by Friday, January 26th.

Disciple Bible Study 2018 - Thanks to everyone who has expressed an interest in being part of either Disciple Bible Study I or II. We will have a planning meeting for everyone interested in two weeks, Sunday January 28th at 5pm. If you have any questions, please see Pastor Randy."

Counseling Ministry Subsidy Support ~ Tommie Jackson (336.655.0665) is making sourdough bread and will gladly take your order. The proceeds of this endeavor will go towards the Counseling Ministry Subsidized Fees. Please call and place your order today.

Happy Anniversary to (January 18) Dave & Sabrina Cashion; (January 19) Wiley & Sarah Sloan

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.

The Altar Flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given in memory of James Eister by Craig & Caroline Eister.

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

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.

Gathering

Welcome/Passing of the Peace

Church Announcements

Opening Voluntary Star of the East -Michael Shea

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise “At the Font We Start Our Journey” TFWS #2114

Scripture Reading Genesis 1:1-5 pew Bible, p. 1

Tithes and Offerings
Offertory To Follow the Star -Franklin Ritter

†Doxology “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

†Offering Prayer and Prayer for the Ministry Bags

†Hymn of the Word “Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters” UMH #605

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.)

Call to Prayer Lord, Hear Our Prayer -Mark Patterson

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 Down in the River to Pray arr. Les Scott

Scripture Reading Mark 1:4-11 pew Bible, p. 34

Sermon Baptized and Beloved

Congregational Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant UMH p. 50

†Hymn of Faith “This Is the Spirit's Entry Now” UMH #608

†Dismissal with Blessing “Wade in the Water”

Postlude Rejoice and Be Merry a traditional English melody



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

Thank You ~ I cannot tell you how much I've been blessed by this church during my recent illness. The outpouring of your love and concern through your prayers, hospital and home visits, cards, meals, flowers, and trips to the doctors have been overwhelming. Thank you seems so little to say for what you've done for me. Love, Ann Rose

Birthday Wishes to (January 14) Britt Iannacone; (January 15) Ronnie Crowe; (January 19) Polly Dean, Bill Reynolds

Altar Flowers for the sanctuary: The Altar Guild of HUMC welcomes the gift of flowers for our 10:50 worship service. Please fill out one of the forms beneath the calendar, outside Randy's office, and place in Sonja's box across from the church office or call the church office in the week. **Flowers are needed for January 21 & 28 and February 18 & 25.**

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

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The 9:09 Service: Sermon: Randy Lucas; Worship Leader: Ken Knight; Greeter: Kay Moore; Technologist: Jerry Moore

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; Lay Reader: Jason Moore; Organist: Jane Lineberger

Serving our 10:50 Service: Ushers: Team 1: Team Leader: Nin Bond; Team Members: Richard Melvin, Ken Knight, Bob & Nancy Sutton



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