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

"This Train"

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

Special Announcements\Joy Time

Commissioning of Haiti Mission Team

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross

Music

"Here I Am, Lord"

Scripture

Mark 1:14-20

A Word of Faith

Music "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

Sending Forth

Closing Music

"I'll Fly Away"

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 to volunteer or for more information at 526-3376

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.

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



Faith & Fellowship Center

Projected cost \$3,500,000

As of January 16th
Pledges to date 1,623,957
Plate donations 1,076,082

(in addition to pledges) **Total** 2,700,039

Remaining financial need

\$799,961

YTD Operating

Gifts \$18,738 **Expenses** 37,334

Financials for January 10th - 16th

Restricted Funds
Church Family Supper 279
Special Sunday 713

CONNECTED

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 Chats! meet in the Youth Center between services.

A Look Ahead

- **Bolivia Pizza Fundraiser ~ Sunday, January 21st** ~ 12-8:00pm To order a pizza; pick up a form from one of the Information Stations or placed around the church.
- **Youth lock-in ~ Friday, January 26th** ~ from 5:30pm to Saturday, January 27th at 9:00am ~ dinner, ice skating, games, movies and maybe some sleep!
- Leadership Retreat ~ Saturday, February 3rd ~ 10:00am 4:00pm
- **Super Bowl Sunday** ~ Sunday, February 4th at 6:00pm Join us in the F&FC for food, fellowship, football, and fun! Everyone is invited. The church will provide the pizza so bring your favorite football food to share! During dinner there will be a Super Bowl trivia contest.
- **Heart of Highlands ~ Sunday, February 11th**; dinner, dance, and presentation of King & Queen at 5:30pm
- **Ash Wednesday ~ February 14th** ~ Supper at 5:15pm, Ash Wednesday Service following at 6:00pm, and a Lenten study after the service in the Faith and Fellowship Center.
- **Mid-week Lenten Lunch & Worship** ~ Beginning February 14th join us for a weekly soup / sandwich lunch and worship service in the Faith and Fellowship Center, each Wednesday during Lent at 12 noon.

Palm Sunday ~ Sunday, March 25th

Maundy Thursday Service ~ March 29th at 7:00pm

Good Friday ~ March 30th ~ 12:00 noon - Stations of the Cross Walk Good Friday Service at 7:00pm

Easter Sunday ~ Sunday, April 1st

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

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**.

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 Subsided Fees. Please call and place your order today.

Happy Anniversary to (January 24) Gus & Jan Lard

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Third 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 A Tranquil Moment -Franklin Ritter

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Preparation "Jesus Calls Us" UMH #398

Scripture Reading Jonah 3:1-5, 10 pew Bible, p. 860

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed UMH p.881

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory God Is Spirit -James Southbridge

During this time you may bring your Ministry Bag to the altar.

†Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

†Offering Prayer

†Hymn of the Word "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" UMH #348

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 Go Tell It on the Mountain arr. Lloyd Larson

Scripture Reading Mark 1:14-20 pew Bible, p. 35

Sermon The Call

†Hymn of Faith "Here I Am, Lord" UMH #593

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

Postlude Choral Vorspiel -J.S. Bach



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

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.

Birthday Wishes to (January 21) Terri Potts; (January 22) Virginia Nix; (January 23) Dotty Travis; (January 24) Julie Jared; (January 25) Tim Moseley; (January 26) Laree Benton, Renee Bolt, Georgia Sanders; (January 27) Forrest Baker, Carol Forrester

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 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; Christine Murphy, Director & Children & Youth Ministries; Sherry Bruner, Pianist; Marlene & Gary Nix, Sextons; Ann Rose, Food Services Director; Terri Kennedy, Nursery Attendant; Rev. Tommie Jackson, Pastoral Psychotherapist

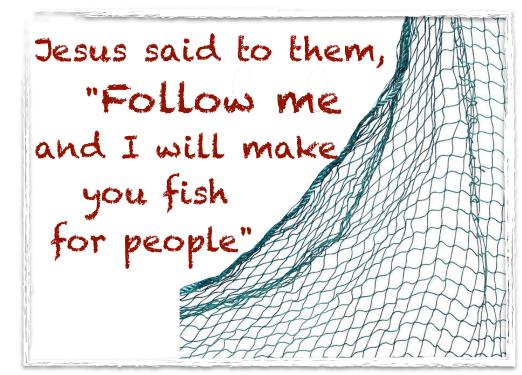
Post Office Box 1959, Highlands, North Carolina 28741 ~ (828) 526-3376 website: www.highlandsmethodist.org

The 9:09 Service: Sermon: Randy Lucas; Worship Leader: Gary Clark; 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: Randy Lucas; Liturgist: Jennifer Forrester; Minister of Music: Les Scott; Pianist: Sherry Bruner; Lay Reader: Vangie Rich; Organist: Jane Lineberger

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



Mark 1:17



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January 21, 2018