

## 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 "Unclouded Day"  
"I'm Goin'a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing"

Special Announcements\Joy Time

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross

Music "Let Us Break Bread Together"

Scripture Mark 1:29-39

A Word of Faith

Music "What a Friend we Have in Jesus"

Sending Forth

Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"

## Looking for a way to Volunteer?

- Cook breakfast for the 9:09 worship service
- Deliver Sunday altar flowers to homebound persons
- Fold bulletins on Friday morning
- 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
- Cook or help serve at the Community Table

Contact the church office to volunteer or for more information at 526-3376

### Exciting NEW Ministry!!

Today in worship we are introducing HUMC Prayer Bears. You will find these bears in the pews and chairs in each worship service. Bears will be prayed over and then available to the pastors and church members to take to individuals they are going to visit.

Set up one-time or automatic giving for your tithes and offerings on the website: [www.highlandsmethodist.org](http://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 30th

Pledges to date 1,623,957

Plate donations 1,088,635

(in addition to pledges)

Total 2,712,592

Remaining financial need

\$787,408

#### YTD Operating

Gifts \$51,507

Expenses 61,510

#### Financials for January 24th - 30th

#### Restricted Funds

Church Family Supper 163

Special Counseling 160

Special Sunday 25

Altar Guild 110

# GET 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](mailto:randyhumc@icloud.com)

To receive church email updates and news please email Sonja at [highlandsumc@icloud.com](mailto: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

**Super Bowl Sunday** ~ Today 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. Sign up on the kiosk, on the website, or pick up a flyer placed around the church.

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper!!** ~ February 13th, 5-8pm at The Episcopal Church of the Incarnation. Take outs will be available and all proceeds go to support The Gordon Center for Children. Thank you for your support.

**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 in the sanctuary

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

**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
- sign up on the kiosk or church website

- bring a flower to place on the Living Cross

9:45am - Easter Coffee Break

10:00am - Easter Egg Hunt

**Outdoor Service** ~ May 27th at 9:09am at the Town Square

**We welcome Christine Murphy** to our church staff as our new Director of Children & Youth Ministries. If you have any questions you may contact her at [christinehumc@icloud.com](mailto:christinehumc@icloud.com).

### 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 **February** we're collecting: toothpaste, shampoo, household cleaners, laundry detergent, toilet paper, hand soap, deodorant, and canola oil for the **Food Pantry**

**Attendance on January 28** 9:09-125 10:50-71

**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.

## The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Fifth 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** *How Great is Our God/A Mighty Fortress*  
arr. Carol Tornquist

### Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise *"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"* UMH #139

**Scripture Reading** Isaiah 40:21-31 pew Bible, p. 668

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

**Tithes and Offerings**  
**Offertory** *The Love of God* arr. S. Bruner

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

### †Offering Prayer

### 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

**Anthem** *Healer of Our Every Ill* -Marty Haugen

**Scripture Reading** Mark 1:29-39 pew Bible, p. 35

**Sermon** *The Gathered*

**A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II** UMH p. 12

### 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.*

†Hymn of Faith *"I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"* TFWS #2151

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

**Postlude** *Shine, Jesus Shine* arr. Mark Hayes

# The 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

**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** (February 4) Sabrina Cashion, Janet Newman; (February 5) Melanie Carter; (February 6) Allan James, Diane Riddle; (February 7) Linda Edwards, Joanne Jolly, Bonnie Potts; (February 8) Keven Gabbard, Charles Shackelford; (February 9) Gina Cogswell; (February 10) Al Bolt, Emily Buskirk, Wilma Gordon

**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 February 18 & 25 and March 11, 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

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**The 9:09 Service:** Sermon: Randy Lucas; Worship Leader: Jerry Moore; Greeter: Sandy Carlton; Technologists: 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; Lay Reader: TBA; Communion Assistants: Darrell & Joann Schwartz

**Serving our 10:50 Service:** Ushers: Team 2: Team Leader: Griffin Bell; Team Members: Frank Buskirk, Tom Stribling, Kenny Youmans, King Young

He came  
and took her  
by the hand...



LOVE God. Offer CHRIST to All.

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February 4, 2018