

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 "Shall We Gather at the River"
"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 "Peace in the Valley"

Scripture Mark 11:1-11

A Word of Faith

Music "Amazing Grace"

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

Worship Service Shuttle ~ We are looking to expand our ministry to older adults by establishing a bus/shuttle service for folks needing a ride to 10:50am Sunday morning worship. If you know anyone who needs transportation to and from church please have them contact the church office.

Birthday Wishes to (March 25) Willa Almluf; (Mach 26) Art Heller, Vangie Rich, Barbara Stokes; (March 31) Grady Felder

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

2/28/18 ~ As of date

(note - amounts are rounded to the nearest \$1,000)

Giving

\$3,782,000 Actual cost to date for construction, site prep, paving, equipment, furniture, fixtures, etc.

\$1,096,000 Plate donations to date

\$1,213,000 Pledge payments received to date (99% collection experience to date)

\$414,000 Pledges remaining to be paid in 2018 and beyond

\$1,385,000 Net remaining HUMC debt
(Note - the debt also includes \$166,000 which was the remaining balance of a loan relating to the 2010 purchase of land and \$160,000 for a variety of other items)

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



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 on the stage at 10:00am.

Youth Sunday Chats! Meet in the Youth Center between services.

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

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

A Look Ahead

Mid-week Lenten Lunch & Worship ~ Join us for a weekly soup / sandwich lunch and worship service in the Faith and Fellowship Center, each Wednesday during Lent at 12 noon.

Seder Meal~ Wednesday, March 28th at 5:15pm

The 2018 Disciple Bible Study Class will host a Passover "Seder" Meal on Wednesday. The Seder Meal symbolically recounts and celebrates the Children of Israel's deliverance from Egyptian Bondage. This holy meal in the Jewish faith is steeped in biblical tradition, and is believed by many to have been the meal Jesus shared with his disciples at The Last Supper. This is a family celebration. All ages are welcome.

Maudy 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, church website, or fill out a form placed around the church
- **bring a flower to place on the Living Cross**

9:45am – Easter Coffee Break

- sign up to bring something to share
forms can be found placed around the church

10:00am – Easter Egg Hunt

Youth Work Day and Lock-In ~ Saturday, May 5th starting at 9:00am

Youth Sunday ~ May 6th at both services

Graduation Sunday ~ May 20th

Baccalaureate Service ~ May 20th at 4:00pm at the Episcopal Church

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

Author's Tea ~ Saturday, June 23rd

Vacation Bible School ~ Sunday, June 24 - Thursday, June 28th

Candy Donations Needed! ~ Any individually wrapped candy or small toys (able to fit in a plastic Easter egg) will be greatly appreciated in preparation for the annual HUMC kids' Easter egg hunt! Donations can be placed in a bin in the Donation Stations marked Easter egg candy. Thank you!

Ministry Bags

Each month we collect items for different ministries.

For the month of **March** we're collecting: diapers sizes 5, 6, & 7 and VHS and DVD movies for children for the orphanage in Cange, Haiti.

Church Pictorial Directory ~ Some updates and minor adjustments have been made to last year's Church Pictorial Directory and are available for you to pick up at the church office. If you'd like a new copy of the directory, please come by the office. You can swap directories if you'd like, or you can feel free to pick up a new one and keep your current one as well. Thanks again to everyone who worked so diligently to make these pictorial directories available to us.

Attendance on March 18 9:09-106 10:50-91

Happy Anniversary to (March 27) Jeff & Nancy Butler, John & Nancy Speer

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 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Passion Palm Sunday

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 *The Holy City* -Stephen Adam

Opening Prayer

†**Hymn of Praise** *“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”* UMH #278

Scripture Reading **Philippians 2:5-11** pew Bible, p. 197

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

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *I Can Only Imagine* arr. Melody Bober

†**Doxology** *“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

†Offering Prayer

†**Hymn of the Word** *“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”* UMH #280

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 *O Lord, Hear My Prayer* -Jacques Bertier

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.

Palms Anthem *Hosanna to the King* -Craig Courtney

Scripture Reading **Mark 11:1-11** pew Bible, p. 47

Sermon From “Hosanna” to “Crucify” - the Holy Week Journey

†**Hymn of Faith** *“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”* UMH #298

Benediction

Passion Anthem *Ah Holy Jesus* -Hal Hopson

Postlude *Prelude In Classic Style* arr. Lani Smith



Check out our
Donation Stations
across from the church
office and in the F&FC.

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

Konnect 4: Self. God. Family. Neighbor.

Sunday evening program for students grades 3rd through 12th.

March 25th ~ Self Sunday: Hike up Satulah to the Rock House & Dinner
Meet in the Faith and Fellowship Center at 4:00pm.

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

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 Forrester; Worship Leader: TBA; Greeter: Christine Murphy; 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: Patsy Wilson; Vocal Duet: Becky Jacobs & Teresa Williams; Vocal Solo: John Gaston

Serving our 10:50 Service: Ushers: Team 3: Team Leader: Kenneth Crowe; Team Members: Alan Marsh, Dave Cashion, Luke Osteen, Tricia Smith



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March 25, 2018