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 "Give Thanks"

"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

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

Music "Blessed Assurance"

Scripture Ephesians 1:3-14

A Word of Faith

Music "Calling You"

Sending Forth

Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"



- * Help in Children's Ministry (Wednesday evenings, Sunday School, After-School Program)
- * 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
- * Be on a Wednesday Night Supper cooking team

Contact the church office to volunteer or for more information at 526-3376 or Susan Herring at (512)413-7972

Attendance on July 8 8:30-10 9:09-220 10:50-145 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 ~ Year-to Date 6/30/18

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

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

\$1.121.000 Plate donations to date

\$1,228,000 Pledge payments received to date

(99% collection experience to date)

\$399,000 Pledges remaining to be paid in 2018 and beyond \$1,387,000 Net remaining HUMC debt

Operating Fund ~ Year-to-Date - 6/30/18

	Actual	Budget
Contributions	\$329,500	\$347,650
Expenses	\$389,600	\$413,475
Net Income (deficit)	\$ 60,100	\$ 65,825

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)

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Seekers meet in the Conference Room and is led by Steve Bruner (9:45am)



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

Pastor's Summer Sunday School Class -

June - August. The class meets in the Sanctuary Chapel. (10:00 - 10:30am)

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.



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

Summer Eucharist ~ Join us for a 30 minute service of Holy Communion each Sunday morning at 8:30am in the sanctuary through August.

Faith and Fellowship Center Open House - Today from 1 - 3pm we are inviting the community to come and tour our beautiful Faith and Fellowship Center. Come join us!

Music Camp ~ July 30th - August 3rd - 9:00am-3:00pm - Bring your rising 2nd graders through rising 6th graders for a fun week of music and drama. Registration forms are placed around the church.

Bolivian Auction ~ Monday, August 13th in the F&FC from 6:00-10:00pm Heavy h'ordeuvres will be served, but no alcohol. Items for sale and auction include Bolivian alpaca goods and many jewelry pieces-Some from Bolivia and several made by Dr. B himself. Entry is \$50 and reservations can be made by calling 200-0902.

Church Family Fun Night ~ August 15th at Buck Creek Park at 5:15pm Hamburgers & hot dogs provided, bring a side dish or dessert to share. Everyone is invited for food, fellowship, and games!!!

Outdoor Fellowship ~ Join us at noon On August 19th on the front lawn for fellowship and snacks.

Golf Outing ~ Monday, August 27th at Cullasaja Country Club in support of our F&FC. Brochures will be available soon. The cost is \$200.00 / player, which includes cart and greens fees, as well as a box lunch and buffet dinner. If you would like to sign up to play, either as an individual or a team, or if you would like to be a hole sponsor, please contact the church office at highlandsumc@icloud.com.

Church Membership - Are you interested in exploring church membership at HUMC? If you would like to learn more about becoming a Professing, Affiliate or Associate Member, please let Pastor Randy know by Sunday, July 29th.

The 2018 Author's Tea was a huge success. (According to several people---the best ever.) We had 38 volunteers, including 8 charming waiters from the Sat. morning men's breakfast group, 5 ladies in the kitchen for 2 days, 20 very creative ladies who decorated the individual tea tables, and 5 greeters. Best of all we helped reduce the debt for the new F&F Center by \$5,525 ----the most ever earned by an Author's Tea. A big thank you to all, Gay Kattel

Finishing the Race - If you haven't turned in your "Finishing the Race" card you may place it in the offering. Our 3 year goal to retire the debt on our beautiful new Faith and Fellowship Center on June 30th, 2021. If you don't have a card, and you'd like to be part of this church-wide effort, you can pick up a "Finishing the Race" card at various locations in the church building. You can either drop the card by the church office this week, or place it in the offering.

Church Pictorial Directory ~ If you'd like a new copy of the directory, please come by the office. Please contact the church office to get the new password for the online directory.

Ministry Bags

Each month we collect items for different ministries. For the month of July we're collecting: pencils, pens, glue sticks, scissors, crayons, colored pencils, markers, notebook paper, binders, spiral notebooks, pocket folders, flash drives for the Highlands School.

Birthday Wishes to (July 16) Harriet Bauknight, Larry Dale, Terri Kennedy; (July 18) Vivian Kennedy; (July 19) Steve Chenoweth, Durward Early, Sydney Figel; (July 21) Naomi Chastain, Elizabeth Motz

The Church in the Wildwood services are on Sunday evenings at 7:00pm. It runs through Labor Day and is an old-fashioned hymn-sing, casual dress.

The altar flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given by Lynn & Bob Irvin to the Glory of God and in memory of Lynn's mother, Jane Allison Lassiter.

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.

Gathering

Welcome/Passing of the Peace

Church Announcements

Opening Voluntary Praise Ye the Lord of Hosts -Saint-Saens

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise "Blessed Assurance" UMH #369

Scripture Reading Psalm 24 pew Bible, p.502

Affirmation of Praise The Apostles' Creed UMH p.881

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Amazing Grace American/Lovelace (During this time you may bring your Ministry Bag to the altar.)

†Doxology Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #94

†Offering Prayer

†Hymn of the Word "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" UMH #121

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 Spirit of the Living God

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 Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing arr. Hal Hopson

Scripture Reading Ephesians 1:3-14 pew Bible, p.192

Sermon "Flourishing" Sermon Series - Sermon #1
"Flourishing Through Faith"

†**Hymn of Faith** *"It Is Well With My Soul"* UMH #377

Dismissal with Blessing "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Postlude Fuga in C -Fischer



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

Happy Anniversary to (July 20) Mike & Christine Murphy, Tony & Terri Potts

Wednesday Evening Activities for Children & Youth

6:00-7:00pm "Summer Games with a Message"

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.

Altar Flowers for the sanctuary: The Altar Guild of HUMC welcomes the gift of flowers for our 10:50 worship service. The cost for altar arrangements is \$55. 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. Flowers are needed for July 22 & 29, August 12, 19, & 26 and September 23 & 30.

Church Staff: Rev. Randy Lucas, Senior Pastor; Les Scott, Minister of Music; Sonja DeFoor, Office Manager; Keith Crawford, Financial Secretary; Christine Murphy, Director of Children & Youth Ministries; Sherry Bruner, Pianist; Marlene & Gary Nix, Sextons; Kristy Lewis, Food Services Director; Terri Kennedy, Nursery Attendant

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The 9:09 Service: Sermon: Randy Lucas; Worship Leader: Patsy Wilson; Greeters: Team 3; 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; Minister of Music: Les Scott; Pianist: Sherry Bruner; Lay Reader: Patti Moschouris; Organist: Susan Clearman

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

FLOURISHING







Highlands United Methodist Church July 15, 2018