

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 We All Get to Heaven"
"Will the Circle Be Unbroken"

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 "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

Scripture John 12:1-8

A Word of Faith

Communion

Music "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder"

Sending Forth

Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"

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)



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

Crossroads meets between services ~ 20's -50's - Study-Social Activities-Service Projects

Children's Sunday School - Meet in the Children's Sunday School Room at 10:00am.

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

Wednesday Evening Activities for Youth

6:00-7:00pm Meet in big preschool room.

Giving

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

Operating Fund ~ Year-to-Date - 2/28/19

	Actual	Budget
Contributions	\$99,500	\$101,500
Expenses	\$125,800	\$111,800
Net Income (deficit)	(\$26,300)	(\$10,300)

Ministry Bags

Each month we collect items for different ministries. For the month of **April** we're collecting: dolls, children's books, and matchbox cars for **Little Children of the World**. We currently sponsor 3 amazing girls and have been blessed to watch their growth. Letters from them are posted on the missions bulletin board to read.

Altar Flowers for the sanctuary: The Altar Guild of HUMC welcomes the gift of flowers for our 10:50 worship service. Flowers may be given to remember or honor loved ones, to give thanks, or to celebrate a special event, such as a birthday, anniversary, or a baptism. The cost for altar arrangements is \$55. Special order arrangements may cost more. 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 May 19, June 9, 23, & 30, and July 14, 21, & 28.**

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.



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



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.



A Look Ahead

Staff Developmental Day ~ Monday, April 8th The staff will be out of the office on this day.

Palm Sunday ~ Sunday, April 14th

Maundy Thursday Service ~ April 18th at 7:00pm in the sanctuary

Good Friday ~ April 19th ~ 12:00 noon - Stations of the Cross Walk
7:00pm - Good Friday Service in the sanctuary

Easter Sunday ~ Sunday, April 21st

6:45am - Ecumenical Sunrise Service

We will gather with other churches at Memorial Park.

9:09 & 10:50am - Worship Services

- provide an **Easter Lily** for the 10:50 service - sign up on the forms placed around the church, on the website, or kiosk

- bring a **flower** to place on the Living Cross

9:45am - Easter Coffee Break - sign up on a form placed around the church

10:00am - Easter Egg Hunt

Youth Retreat ~ April 26-27 - Details to follow.

Youth Sunday ~ May 5

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

Outdoor Service ~ May 26th at 9:09am at the Town Square

A New Grief Support Group - begins in May for anyone who has lost a spouse and seeks to know more about the process of grief and recovery while experiencing fellowship and support from others. The group will meet on Thursdays (6:00 - 7:30 pm) for 12 weeks to discuss the book "Seven Choices" by Elizabeth Harper Neeld, Ph.D; providing a roadmap of the critical choices one makes through the grieving process. The group will be led by Debbie and Tom Brock who will share their own story of spousal loss and recovery.

New Project - Jodie Zoellner is heading up a new project, making mats for our homeless missions. She is using recycled grocery bags as yarn so drop off all those bags sitting at home. We will be having two cutting sessions: **April 11 and April 18 at 12:30** for anyone who would like to help with our homeless mat project. Each mat takes 1000 recycled bags so we need all the help we can get to cut the bags and make the plarn balls. Contact Kristy or Jodie Zoellner for information.

Outward Mindset Book Study - Pastor Randy is leading a small group book study of the Arbinger Institute book, "The Outward Mindset". The group met for the first time this past Monday, covering Part I of the book. The next meeting will be **Tuesday, April 9th at 5:00pm** in the Faith and Fellowship Center and will cover Parts II and III. It's not too late to join the conversation. If you would like a copy of the book, please let Pastor Randy know.

New Members Class - If you're interested in exploring membership at HUMC, whether as a Professing, Affiliate or Associate Member, our first membership class has been tentatively scheduled for **Tuesday, April 9th at 4pm**. If this day and time doesn't work for you, please let Pastor Randy know.

Birthday Wishes to (April 7) Jim Bryson, Josh Koenig, (April 8) Susan Hood, Nancy LaCoe, Kay Shirley, Jim Tate; (April 12) Susan Kay

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Fifth Sunday in Lent

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 the Lord Who Reigns Forever* arr. Mary McDonald

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise "Fairest Lord Jesus" UMH #189

Scripture Reading Isaiah 43:16-21 pew Bible, p.672

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

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *He Is Exalted* arr. Cindy Berry

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

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

†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 *Come and Find the Quiet Center* -Shirley Erena Murray

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 *I Want to Praise the Lord All My Life* -Georg Philipp Telemann

Scripture Reading John 12:1-8 pew Bible, p.106

Sermon Extravagant Love

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II UMH p. 12

†Hymn of Faith "More Love to Thee, O Christ" UMH #453

Dismissal with Blessing "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Postlude *Shout to the Lord* arr. Mark Hayes



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 women 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

Prayer Bear Ministry - Gently used small stuffed bears

Blue Ridge Free Dental Clinic - new toothbrushes and sample size toothpaste

Humane Society - food and treats for dogs and cats

Our Annual Author's Tea will be June 15th. Tickets and books will go on sale starting Wednesday, May 1st. Local author Diane C. McPhail will be our featured writer. Tickets are \$25 each, books will sell for \$26, with all proceeds going towards the HUMC Building Fund.

Attendance on March 31st 9:09-104 10:50-85

Happy Anniversary to (April 9) Wayne & Nancy LaCoe; (April 11) Rimson & Charlotte Solomon; (April 13) Fred & Kathy Smith

Nursery Help Needed ~ We will need substitute Nursery attendants on the following Sundays for both services: April 14 and April 21. If you would like to help and minister to our smallest during either service (or both), please call Christine or email her at christinehumc@icloud.com.

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: Craig Eister; Greeters: Team 1; 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: Ken Knight; Communion Assistants: Tricia Smith & Luke Osteen

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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