

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.

**Pastor Randy’s Summer Sunday School Class** - Beginning **Sunday June 2nd**, Pastor Randy will be leading a summer Sunday School Class in the Sanctuary Chapel. The class will meet from 10am - 10:30am, and will study selected works of C. S. Lewis. We’ll read *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* together. Books will be provided. Please let Pastor Randy know if you are interested.

**New Class: Reading and Understanding Music** - Taught by Les Scott and Dr. Lyn Burkett. All levels of knowledge are welcome whether you have music training or if you have none. All sessions are free. Classes are all on Monday evenings at 6:30pm at HUMC. Dates are: June 3, June 10, July 1, July 8, July 15, July 22, and July 29. If you’re interested, let Les know you are coming. les.h.scott@gmail.com, 828-200-9532.

**Our Annual Author's Tea** will be June 15th. Local author Diane C. McPhail will be our featured writer. Books are on sale for \$26, with all proceeds going towards the HUMC Building Fund. You may call Gay Kattel to get on the waiting list for tickets.

**Grief Support Group** meets on Thursdays from 6:00 – 7:30pm in the church parlor with discussion based on the book “Seven Choices” by Elizabeth Harper Neeld, PhD; providing a roadmap of the critical choices one makes through the grieving process. The group is led by Debbie and Tom Brock. Study materials are provided.

**The altar flowers** in the sanctuary this morning are given in honor of Ardis Morton's 95th birthday by Paula, Dana, & Elizabeth Gordon.

**Wednesday Evening Activities for Youth**  
6:00-7:00pm ~ Meet in big preschool room.

**Attendance on May 19th**                      9:09-143                      10:50-81

Ministry Bags

Each month we collect items for different ministries. For the month of **May** we’re collecting: travel sized shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, socks, band-aides, feminine hygiene products, razors, soap, hairbrushes, and combs for the **M25 Homeless Mission**.

**Happy Anniversary to** (May 26) Art & Vicki Heller, Terry & Karin Potts; (May 29) Dan & Cynthia Codespoti, Ken & Sarah Knight; (May 31) Bob & Nancy Sutton; (June 1) Lynn & Valerie Long

**Dishwashers are needed** at the 9:09 service. Please see Kristy to volunteer.

**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 June 30, July 14, 21, & 28, and August 11, 18, & 25.**

Giving

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

Operating Fund ~ Year-to-Date - 4/30/19

	Actual	Budget
Contributions	\$209,700	\$209,800
Expenses	\$250,800	\$249,500
Net Income (deficit)	(\$41,100)	(\$39,700)

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 parlor and is led by Bob Hood. (10:00am)

**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.



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)



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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

**Office Closed** ~ Memorial Day, Monday, May 27th

**Summer Eucharist** ~ During the months of June, July, and August, we offer a weekly 30 minute service of Holy Communion each Sunday morning at 8:30am in the sanctuary.

**Welcome Back Supper** ~ Join us on Wednesday, June 12th for supper and fellowship at 5:15pm as we welcome back our seasonal church family.

**American Red Cross Blood Drive at HUMC** ~ We are excited to host our first blood drive at HUMC, scheduled for Thursday, June 20th from 10am-3pm. Kristy Lewis will be serving as the Director of our Blood Drive. The Drive will be held in the old Fellowship Hall. Appointments will be available every 15 minutes. Please see Kristy to sign up for this life-saving event.

**Annual Conference** ~ June 20th - 23rd

**Women's Breakfast** ~ Join us on Saturday, June 22nd at 8:30am in the Faith & Fellowship Center for a women's breakfast. We'll share a prepared casual meal full of fellowship and sharing.

**Outdoor Fellowship** ~ Join us at noon on June 23rd on the front lawn for fellowship time and snacks.

**Vacation Bible School** ~ Sunday, June 23rd - Thursday, June 27th - 5-8pm Preschool though adults. **Volunteers are needed.** Sign up forms are placed around the church.

**Music Camp** ~ August 5th - 9th - 9:00am-3:00pm - Bring your rising 1st graders through rising 6th graders for a fun week of music and drama. Volunteers are needed. Registration forms are placed around the church.

**Golf Outing** ~ Monday, August 26th at Cullasaja Country Club. Proceeds go to retire the debt of our F&FC. The cost is \$200.00 / player, which includes a tee-gift, boxed lunch at the beginning of play and a delicious buffet immediately after play. 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](mailto:highlandsumc@icloud.com). Brochures will be available soon.

**We welcome Hannah Wilkinson to our church family this morning.** Hannah is our Duke Ministry Intern student this summer and will be with us though August 4th. Feel free to stop by the church to say hello or email her at [hannah.wilkinson@duke.edu](mailto:hannah.wilkinson@duke.edu)

**Birthday Wishes to** (May 27) McKinley Moseley, Deborah Scott; (May 29) Les Scott; (May 31) Gary Forrester; (June 1) Jenny Bryson

**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.

**Volunteers Needed** the week of June 10 - 14 to fill in at the church office. Please call the church office if you can help.

**The Church in the Wildwood** service will begin today at 7:00pm. It runs through Labor Day and is an old-fashioned hymn-sing, casual dress.

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service  
Sixth Sunday of Easter

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 Peace of Christ                      -Lawton

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise    “There’s Within My Heart a Melody”                      UMH #380

Scripture Reading                      Psalm 67                      pew Bible, p.529

Affirmation of Faith                      The Apostles’ Creed                      UMH p.881

Tithes and Offerings  
Offertory                      Impromptu in G Major                      -Schubert  
(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                      “Near to the Heart of God”                      UMH #472

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                      Blessed Quietness                      -Ferguson/Marshall, arr. Les Scott

Scripture Reading                      John 14:23-29                      pew Bible, p.109

Sermon                      The Peace of Christ

†Hymn of Faith                      “Now, on Land and Sea Descending”                      UMH #685

Dismissal with Blessing                      “Choral Amen”

Postlude                      Gavotte                      -Camidge



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

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**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; Hannah Wilkinson; Duke Summer Ministry Intern

**The 9:09 Service:** Sermon: Randy Lucas; Worship Leader: Ken Knight; Greeters: Team 8; 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: Susan Clearman; Lay Reader: Richard Melvin  
**Serving our 10:50 Service:** Ushers: Team 2: Team Leader: King Young; Team Members: Tom Stribling, Kenny Youmans



Peace I leave with you;  
my peace I give to you.



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