

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 "This is the Day"
"Down by the Riverside"

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 "His Eye is on the Sparrow"

Scripture Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

A Word of Faith

Music "The Solid Rock"

Sending Forth

Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"

Ministry Bags

Each month we collect items for different ministries. For the month of **September** we're collecting: food, toys, and bedding for cats and dogs for the **Humane Society**.
Thank you to everyone who supports our monthly ministries.

Attendance on September 22nd 9:09-236 10:50-102

We are collecting used backpacks for Haywood Street shelter. Please drop off at the church.

Remaining Items from our HUMC's 2019 Golf Outing for Sale
Prices have been reduced on our remaining items from this year's golf outing. 24 oz Corkcicle Tumblers = \$10.00 each and are available while supplies last through September 30th. You can find the items at the Donation Stations with a money envelope provided.

Birthday Wishes to (September 29) Nancy Anderson, Caroline Eister; (October 1) Leo Montgomery, Susan Silverthorn; (October 2) Ken Wheeler; (October 4) Charlotte Solomon

Happy Anniversary to (October 1) Tee & Lea Fulk; (October 2) Neal & Marsha Little; (October 5) Ken & Jean Hart

Membership Class - Pastor Randy is offering a membership class on **Monday, September 30th at 4pm** for anyone who is interested in exploring Professing, Affiliate or Associate Membership at HUMC. The class will meet in the church parlor.

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

Giving

Operating Fund ~ Year-to-Date - 8/31/19

	Actual	Budget
Contributions	\$490,000	\$494,200
Expenses	\$490,800	\$510,800
Net Income (deficit)	(\$800)	(\$16,600)

Faith & Fellowship Center ~ Year-to-Date - 8/31/19

Bank Loan Balance	\$1,210,200
Unrestricted Capital Cash	\$367,000
Balance Due	\$843,200

Sunday School for All

Adult Sunday School Classes

The Apostles' class

meets in the church parlor 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. (10:00am)

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

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

The Pumpkins Are Coming ~ Wednesday, **October 2nd** the pumpkins will arrive!!

Pumpkin Festival ~ Saturday, **October 5th** from 11am-3pm
pumpkins for sale children's activities
hot dog, chips, & drink \$5 brat, chips, & drink \$6
baked goods for sale

World Communion Sunday ~ **October 6th**

Empty Bowls ~ Help end hunger in the Highlands Community, Sunday, **October 6th** at the First Presbyterian Church from 11:30-1:30. Tickets \$25; includes soup bowl made by local potters, delicious soups provided by local chefs, drink & dessert. All proceeds support the Highlands Food Pantry.

All Male Beauty Pageant ~ **Monday, October 7th at 8:00pm** - The church family has been so supportive of the Bolivian Mission that Joanna and I began in 1998. I wish everyone who has donated could come and see the amazing things that have transpired over the last 22 years in Bolivia. The tickets are a donation of \$100 and they are available at the church office or call 828-200-0902 for more information and tickets. --Dr. John

Homecoming 2019, October 13th - Please help us spread the word. HUMC's Homecoming will be a combined worship service - 10am on Sunday, October 13th in the Faith and Fellowship Center with a covered dish potluck meal to follow. This year's Homecoming will be a celebration of the HUMC Story with Pastor Randy preaching. Please share any pictures with the church office that can help us tell the HUMC story.

Women's Breakfast ~ Join us on Saturday, **October 26th** 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.

Red Cross Blood Drive - Please mark your calendars now for our next American Red Cross Blood Drive at HUMC - **Monday, October 28th from 10am - 3pm.**

Halloween Pizza Party, Thursday, **October 31st** at 5:00pm

All Saints Sunday ~ Join us on **November 3rd** as we remember all those who have passed away this year.

Charge Conference ~ Sunday, **November 10th** at 10:00am in the F&FC

Calling all Dancing Zombies - Rehearsals for our 2019 Flash Mob "Thriller" Dance on Halloween night in Highlands have begun. Once again, the HUMC Zombies will emerge from the Main Street crowd to perform a choreographed version of the iconic dance routine. It's loads of fun, some good exercise, and we can always use more dancing zombies! Rehearsal are on **Thursdays** in the F&FC at 7:00pm. Everyone is welcome to join us!

The altar flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given in memory of the long, happy, blessed life of Lou Batson by Cindy Batson.

Birthdays & Anniversaries - If your birthday or anniversary is not listed in the bulletin please contact the church office with your dates!

Help with Meals on Wheels - The Meals on Wheels program in Highlands currently needs a driver (or several to divide the month) on Fridays. Meals are currently being delivered in Clear Creek, Scaly, and Buck Creek. If you are able to volunteer please call Kristy Lewis at the church or Lester Norris at the Rec. Park (526-3556).

Wednesday Evening Activities for Youth

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

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Sixteenth 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 You Raised Me Up arr. Melody Bober

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise “God Hath Spoken by the Prophets” UMH #108

Scripture Reading Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16 pew Bible, p.548

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles’ Creed UMH p.881

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place arr. Mark Hayes
(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 “On Eagle’s Wings” UMH #143

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 In the Lord -Jacques Berthier

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 As the Eagle Soars and Circles -Herman Stuempfle, Jr./Kathy Powell

Scripture Reading Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 pew Bible, p.736

Sermon An Unusual Investment

†Hymn of Faith “O Thou, in Whose Presence” UMH #518

Dismissal with Blessing “Choral Amen”

Postlude Name of Jesus Medley arr. Roger House



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

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. 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 December 8, 22, & 29.**

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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

The 9:09 Service: Sermon: Randy Lucas; Worship Leader: Jerry Moore; Greeters: Team 2; 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; Accompanist: Sherry Bruner; Lay Reader: Jason Moore

Serving our 10:50 Service: Ushers: Team 2: Team Leader: King Young; Team Members: Kenny Youmans, Wiley & Sarah Sloan



Take these deeds...and put them in
an earthenware jar, in order that
they may last for a long time.

LOVE God. Offer CHRIST to All.

Highlands United
Methodist Church

September 29, 2019